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Welcome

IYPSS working with partners, including young people, has continued to have a positive impact on the lives of young people in Walsall.

Young people were and are instrumental in the development and opening of the new 'MyPlace' Young People Centre, in the Delves. This will be one of a very small number of public builds in Walsall in 2012.

Following on from last year's significant reduction in youth related anti-social behaviour (down by 38% in 2011/12), further reductions have been reported in April – June 2012 of 25.8%. The National Youth Agency's review of 'Walsall IYPSS contribution to reduction in youth related ASB' recognised:

'..that the role of detached youth work and positive activities have been integral to that success'.

And that:

*'..youth workers had adopted the principles & language of the **Working Smarter** approach'.*

Targeted Youth Support workers continue to offer 1:1 support to around 200 young people and alongside Youth Justice staff in the newly re-designed Youth Justice Service. This has supported further reductions in those young people entering the Youth Justice System in 2012/13, and in the numbers of young people re-offending.

Prospects staff operating as part of IYPSS, have continued to support further reductions in the number

of young people not in education, employment and training and 'not known' from 7.8% in 2010/11 to 7.3% in 2011/12 and from 6.7% in 2010/11 to 5.2% in 2011/12 respectively.

These improvements help to support both the Youth Employability, as well as the government's **'Raising the Participation Age'** agendas.

Teenage pregnancy rates are continuing to reduce (although there is still more to do).

Current teenage pregnancy conception rates in Walsall for Quarter 1 (2011) are 52.4% per 1000 girls aged 15 to 17, this compares to 57.3% per 1000 for Quarter 1 (2010). The Walsall conception rate has fallen by 25.7% from the baseline in 1998. Walsall is currently ranked 77th out of 152 local authorities. Latest termination rates (2010) show that 39% of conceptions resulted in termination, this is significantly lower than the England rate of 50% and West Midlands rate of 48%.

The Parent Partnership Service has been recently reviewed and is now working to ensure that more parents have access to sufficient support and services for their children who have special educational needs, with a specific focus on the inclusion of ethnic minority groups.

Looking to the future there will of course be further challenges and opportunities. We have concluded the redesign of the Parent Partnership Service, Youth Justice Service and part time Youth Work arrangements, and

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'new reviews & redesigns' have started affecting Targeted Youth Support, the Education Business Partnership and administrative support to IYPSS.

The H.M. Inspectorate of Probation have announced new arrangements for the **Inspection of Youth Offending work**. New arrangements commence from this September. Each inspection consists of two separate weeks with a gap of a week in between.

New statutory guidance for local authorities on services and activities to improve young peoples well-being has been published. This includes requirements

on Councils to involve young people and to secure sufficient services and activities for young people.

A new commissioning and procurement process (which helps support the above guidance) for targeted positive activities is scheduled to begin shortly to establish arrangements for provision from April 1st 2013 with the third sector.

IYPSS is about to embark on a major annual review '**Customer Satisfaction Survey**'. This will help support our Working Smarter approach & meet DfE expectations for involving young people.

Area 2 – Aldridge, Streetly, Pheasey and Walsall Wood

Prison Project

The Detached Team has identified various young people in the Aldridge/Redhouse area who were engaged in risky low level anti-social activities. A meeting with Alan Poole, Police Youth Liaison Officer was set up. Alan knew of an ex-offender who was willing to come and speak to Targeted Youth Groups about his experiences of being sent to a Young Offender's Institute and then various adult prisons. The evening of Thursday the 17th of May 2012 was arranged as "The Prisoner Project".

Posters and flyers were produced to advertise the evening based at Aldridge Manor House and interest amongst the young people was high. The attitude of some of the young people was stereotypical when they found out there was a police officer attending alongside the ex-offender. Comments were along the lines of "if a copper dares to come in here we will say this or that to him," and "is the prisoner a real

offender or is he just pretending or playing at it?" My reply was "you will have to come and find out on the night".

The evening was based on a discussion forum and the posters advertised 'Young Person's Questions, Thoughts, and Answers', and asked the young people 'Do you have any burning questions about crime, punishment or time spent in prison?' The room was full with standing room only. As the hours passed by, there were thought provoking graphical descriptions given of a young local Midlands life wasted by petty youth crime, heroin addiction and extreme gang related violence. It was shocking to those listening and at the end our hard to engage young people personally thanked the police officer and the ex prisoner for coming in to speak to them.

For further details please contact Julie Hill
Interim Senior Area Youth Worker 01922 650362

Area 2 – Aldridge, Streetly, Pheasey and Walsall Wood

Say "no" to smoking

As part of the Positive Activities Team - Be Healthy Programme - Aldridge Manor Youth Centre have teamed up with Moo Moo Youth Marketing to support our young people to understand and address the issues and problems caused by smoking. A number of our young people took part and learnt a great deal from the programme; in

fact a break-through with one of our young people deciding to quit smoking altogether.

Moo Moo also offered support and Chlamydia screening for those young people who wanted to understand further about sexual transmitted infections and how to complete the simple test.

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Area 1 - Brownhills, Pelsall, Rushall, Sheffield, Clayhanger

Refurbishment at Pelsall Youth Centre.

Pelsall Youth Centre has recently received a long deserved interior makeover giving the centre a new lease of life and catapulting it into the modern era.

With the help of young people and a few graffiti artists, each room has been themed with a mix of photo-realistic, abstract and contemporary graffiti art.

Phase one, which is now complete, was to focus on the Paintwork, and Phase two, which is ongoing will focus on acquiring furniture and fittings to enhance the theme of each room.

The project was done on a comparatively small budget, with 50 percent match funding coming from the Area Partnership.

Area Manager Ranjit Kaur said, 'It amazing what can be achieved with a few tins of spray paint and the ideas of young people'. She went on to say, 'One of our area priorities is to improve the quality of current youth provision, so it is great to see this transformation'.

Community Payback also contributed to the project by working flat out for 2 weeks undertaking the preparation work and white washing the entire building ready for the artists.

Disaster strikes

However, as always, things are never straight forward. When the team were moving the furniture to allow access for the decorators, it was found that areas of the floor were a little 'bouncy'. Property



Services, diagnosed the problem as dry rot in the floor joists throughout the entire west quarter of the building. This meant that all work had to stop and the entire floor had to be ripped up and replaced. Oh No!!!

This caused a serious delay in the timescale, and meant that the centre was unable to re-launch ready for Easter as planned.

Onward

4 weeks later, with a brand new floor, the artists came in and totally transformed the place in less than seven days.

Full time youth worker and centre manager Fiona Campbell said, 'The centre looks great and the young people were amazed to see their ideas transferred from paper to the walls'. 'We have had a large crowd painted on the wall in the music room and the lads have now rearranged the equipment to play to the crowd'.

Portfolio Holder for Children's Services Councillor Rachel Andrew and Portfolio Holder for Public Protection Councillor Zahid Ali attended the launch of the centre along with other partners, and tried their hand at some of the activities on offer.

For more information about the range of activities taking place at Pelsall youth centre contact Fiona Campbell on 01922 684292 – email campbellf@walsall.gov.uk



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**Area 3 – Bloxwich/Blakenall/
Birchills/Leamore**

Blakenall Jubilee Celebrations

Full time Worker Suzanne Snape and Young Leaders from the community provided face painting on the day. It was a great success and over 50 children and young people went away with big Union Flag smiles...

Mossley Young Leaders Programme - many of our members have decided to participate in this exciting programme on Monday evenings where they can learn new skills and develop existing ones further, working together in our communities.

Junior Youth Club – starting Monday 18th at Proffitt St and Wednesday 20th at Mossley Youth project. In partnership with Nacro to meet the needs of the area by providing positive activities for young people aged 8-13yrs.

Young Women's Group – Is current in the planning and consultation process, so watch this space. The programmes will start at Proffitt St each week from September 2012.

Brighter Futures – Thursdays from Mossley Youth Centre to provide IAG support to young people who have just left school to ensure they all have opportunities to develop.

For further details please contact Suzanne Snape Full Time Worker on 07939 03389

**Area 4 – St Matthews/Paddock/
Palfrey/Pleck/Alumwell/Delves**

South Allotment Development

Building on the success of **Dig It Cook It Eat It** Summer Activities 2011, the South Area have now acquired their very own allotment space on the Lord Street Allotments, Delves; the development is in the early stages but all hands are on the spades and trowels as we hope to utilise produce from this year's grow.

Following partnership working Ground Works Community Programme, have offered their services to help us weed and cultivate the plot in order to develop it to the stage of a blank canvass, this would allow young people to input design and their layout ideas, with the exception of the small patch we already prepared in advance for this summer's Dig It Cook It Eat It produce.

The future plans for the allotment will be to involve young people on a more regular basis, giving young people ownership of the allotment and provide a learning hub for them.

There are various initiatives we could pursue once established such as, developing an enterprise such as a Market Stall.

For further details please contact Paul Dennis - Full Time Detached Worker on 07834 499382

Area 4 – St Matthews/Paddock/Palfrey/Pleck/Alumwell/Delves

Consultation through detached work

The South Area Detached Team have recently been consulting with young people mainly in and around the Arboretum Park with regards to the Skate Park situated there.

The consultation came about following the feedback we received during detached sessions in the area, that the skate park was over used and that accidents and incidents were

becoming more regular due to many young people and younger children accessing the area with bikes.

Following discussions with young people, it became apparent that if there were to be a bike track and jumps area it would alleviate the over usage on the skate park and would also add another appealing attraction to the Arboretum especially at a time when it

is already undergoing major developments.

Future plans involve speaking with the Parks Management to see if the project idea is feasible and to continue to consult with young people.

For further details please contact Paul Dennis Full Time Detached Worker on 07834 499382

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The Voice of Young Women in the South Area

There are a number of young women who are involved with a variety of different projects within the South. Through a nurturing and supportive environment that is provided by Positive Activities these young women have developed the skills to be creative, assertive, thoughtful and empowered. They are progressing to pass these skills and talents onto their peers.

Young Women as Volunteers

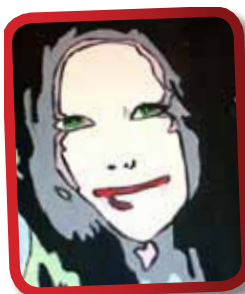
There are currently three female volunteers, two - Razia and Rohima who were pupils at Joseph Leckie Academy and now are looking to increase their youth work skills with the aim of pursuing a career in this field and Gen who is already undertaking her youth work training. One of Gen's reasons for getting into youth work is the impact she experienced with youth workers in Walsall. These volunteers are involved in the planning and delivery of Positive Activities in Pleck Young People's Centre, lunch provision support for pupils the Success Centre at Joseph Leckie Academy and targeted provision at Myplace Youth Centre. *'Being a volunteer in the south area is helping me in my future as it is one step to becoming successful. By gaining experience I will be able to go to university and get the degree I want'*



Pic: A new volunteer in the South Area has built excellent relationships with young people

Young Women's Pamper Day with the Transitional Leaving Care Team

As part of their ongoing Wednesday sessions in the South for Looked After Young People, the Transitional Leaving Care Team held two *Young Women's Pamper Days*, supported by Positive Activities. The young women were involved with a number of activities including creating self-portraits on canvas and health advice. *'It was fun and we felt relaxed.'*



Pic: Self portrait canvas as part of TLC Young Women's Pamper Day

Assertive Young Women

There are an increasing number of young women who attend Pleck Young People's Centre, some work, some are at college and some are at school. The talents of these young women are inspiring, including mc-ing, debating, singing and photography. Using their social skills and confidence they have an excellent rapport with each other along with other members of the centre and are able to support younger members to learn, be powerful and stand up for themselves.



Pic: Young women at Pleck Young People's Centre

'I class myself as a typical teenager, the south area has guided me, reared me and I'm proud of who I am' Female 17

'It's a place were we can chill and do our own thing like using the studio' Female 17

Arts Project with Young Women

Youth workers working with the Engage Group of Young Women from Joseph Leckie Academy have been meeting in the art room at Myplace for a programme around sexual exploitation, self awareness and protective behaviours. The group of six young women have completed ten week programme of Positive Activities and will be starting another in September.



Pic: Creative positive self image with young women at the Engage Group

This success has led to, South Area Positive Activities are starting a new young women's group on Saturday afternoons in September. This will be with the input of young women with whom we already work and volunteers.

'The South Area is where we can meet up with friends and meet different people' Bethany

If you would like any further information please contact Kate Fellows Full Time Work 07734496791

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Area 5 – Bentley, Darlaston, Moxley and Rough Haye

The Charity Darlaston Boys Club wins Heritage Lottery Support.



Walsall Integrated Young People's Support Services is working in partnership with the charity and Darlaston Youth Centre young women will deliver the project.

On 30th May 2012 Darlaston Youth Centre young women were successful in receiving £25,000 from the Heritage Lottery Fund (HLF) for an exciting project called 'Hijab.' The project will be delivered and managed by the Hijab Project Planning Group, Masuma Firdowsi, Azizun Nahar, Salma Akther and Fayzun Nahar who are members of Darlaston Youth Centre; they will undertake this eighteen month project exploring oral history and experiences of Muslim women who wear the hijab.

The Hijab project runs from October 2012 – March 2014. The Hijab Project Planning Group will undertake training delivered by the local history centre in how to conduct oral history interviews as well as how to research using the archives and filming workshops so they will capture the women's experiences. Young women will explore and research the experiences and memories of 2nd and 3rd generation Muslim women who wear the Hijab in the UK and non-Muslim women's views and analyse the archives. They will also explore the role and significance of the Hijab, perceptions and how events such as 9/11 have had an impact on their lives.

The Hijab Project Planning Group will deliver drama taster workshops with young people and write the script having

interpreted the oral histories. The script will be brought to life and filmed as young women act out the scenes and they will be involved in the editing.

Young people will then devise and develop an educational resource pack with issue based sessions exploring heritage, identity, racism as well as other themes affecting young people explored in the film. The resource pack folder will contain issue based and heritage activities, a copy of the film on DVD and oral history interview highlights DVD and a worksheets CD. The

resource pack will be used as a tool to educate others and will make an impact to inform the practice of other practitioners, young people, parents, community and decision makers about heritage and Hijab.

The Hijab Project Planning Group will celebrate their achievements and share their learning with other young people, parents, professionals, community and decision makers at a high profile and memorable film premiere launch which they will plan and deliver. At the event the educational resource packs will



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The Charity Darlaston Boys Club wins Heritage Lottery Support. Continued...

be distributed and there will be a presentation of certificates and trophies. The educational resource pack will also be archived in the local history centre and a creative display and exhibition will be organised by the young women and exhibited at the museum in the form of a Hijab with a photo display of the young people's journey.

The Hijab Project Planning Group will deliver two workshops at the museum to young people and practitioners sharing their learning. As part of a road show they will also deliver two workshops in local schools which will raise the profile of the educational resource pack, heritage and young people as active citizens creating change in their community and raising their voice. The Hijab Project Planning Group will be training practitioners about how to use the resource pack in practice to make a difference to the lives of young people.

At Darlaston Youth Centre young people are engaged in all aspects of decision making with regards to the Youth Centre Programme of Activities and the ongoing development of the building to ensure that they have control and ownership, develop personal and social skills for them to become active citizens in the community, reach their full potential, raise their aspirations and lead more fulfilling lives. Young people from across the borough of Walsall will be working with them in order to be involved in this project.

The Hijab exhibition, resource pack and oral histories will contribute to the archives of the local history centre and the museum's collections so that

they will be a permanent resource for the future used by historians, researchers, practitioners, parents, community and young people. Young people will have the opportunity to work with heritage partners and these new skills and expertise will enrich their lives so they can embrace heritage. They will gain a deeper insight into this under-recorded and under-researched part of their history as well as learn new skills to prepare them for the future.

Masuma Firdowsi from the Hijab Project Planning Group said: "I felt speechless when I heard we received the funding from Heritage Lottery Fund and at the same time was bursting with excitement at the prospect of delivering this project, which will enable me to embrace heritage through connecting with other women and their stories, raise their voice and aspirations which will educate and inspire others, develop new skills and create a resource which will be archived to inform the lives of others for many years to come."

Ruth Vyse from Walsall Local History Centre said:

"The Local History Centre is delighted to be involved with this project. It will enable the centre to collect oral histories from Muslim women who are under-represented in our current oral history holdings."

Jennifer Thompson from Walsall Museum said: "This is a great opportunity to explore the heritage of one of Walsall's key communities and share this with the public in a way that promotes tolerance and understanding of our rich and varied histories. We're very much

looking forward to hosting the exhibition and workshops at the Museum".

"These young women are to be congratulated for putting together a project that will explore the wearing of the hijab and explain the issues to a wide audience. They are making a valuable contribution to community understanding in their area." Reyahn King, Head of Heritage Lottery Fund West Midlands.

About the Heritage Lottery Fund

Using money raised through the National Lottery, the Heritage Lottery Fund (HLF) sustains and transforms a wide range of heritage for present and future generations to take part in, learn from and enjoy. From museums, parks and historic places to archaeology, natural environment and cultural traditions, we invest in every part of our diverse heritage. HLF has supported over 33,000 projects, allocating £4.9 billion across the UK Website: www.hlf.org.uk

If you have any young people who are interested or you would like more information from the Hijab Project Planning Group please contact IYPSS Positive Activities Youth Worker Raqia Akhtar on 0121 526 7370 at Darlaston Youth Centre or on the mobile: 07921 404 291 or via email: akhtarr@walsall.gov.uk

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Skate Park Improvement

In conjunction with the Parks Department the Darlaston Detached Team consulted with young people around proposed improvements to the Skate Park in George Rose Park Darlaston. £15,000 was made available to add additional skate ramps to the park; young people deliberated

whether to have a quarter pipe, jump box, spine or flat bank installed. The equipment should be installed in September.

Young people from Rough Hay were awarded Change Maker Funds to allow them to visit the Creation Skate Park once a

month for the year.

The group have decided to visit the skate park on the second Sunday of every month until January 2013.

For further details please contact Roylon Smith, Senior Area Youth Worker 07793189452

Area 6 - Willenhall/Short Heath

Sounds of Summer

As part of the Willenhall Summer Programme young people went to the Willenhall Summer Prom on the 11th August at Willenhall CHART, Gomer Street, Willenhall.

Willenhall Sounds of Summer took place at Willenhall Memorial Park on Saturday 28th July. There were performances on two stages during the day and the Move Truck provided the young

people's platform. The event kicked off with a lively display by the Ikonix Angels Dance Troup and a number of young people performed during the day including young people who performed at Willenhall's Got Talent.

There were a number of stalls available and the event was attended by a number of

organisations including The Scouts and local schools. Sounds of Summer was free to attend.

For further details please contact Lusie Gallagher Senior Area Youth Worker on 07793189451

Area 6 - Willenhall/Short Heath

New Staff Member Joins West

James Cooksey joined the team in June as Willenhall Area 6 Full Time Worker and Bruce Jennings has joined as the Willenhall Area 6 Apprentice.

James is already familiar with working with Walsall IYPSS as his recent background has included working with young people at the YPIC in Blakenhall.

Bruce is new to youth work and is looking forward to gaining

knowledge and experience of working in this field.

Willenhall ran another busy summer programme which commenced on Monday 23rd July.

This year IYPSS and its partners are supporting activities across Area 6 to ensure that as many young people can access the programme as possible.

Activities are planned in Rosehill, Willenhall Memorial Park, Pool Heyes, New Invention, Coppice Farm and at Willenhall Memorial Park.

For further details please contact Lusie Gallagher Senior Area Youth Worker on 07793189451

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Young People get their Skates on

Skateboarders at Willenhall Memorial Park have been actively leading the way with local agencies and councillors to get improvements to their skatepark.

So far the young people have been involved in a number of meetings outlining the much needed developments and have been in consultation with a number of skatepark building companies to design a park which meets their needs.



Young people have agreed on a design and are now working with Green Spaces, IYPSS, the Neighbourhood Manager, Friends of the Park and Councillor Sean Coughlan to identify possible funding opportunities for this young peoples initiative.

Throughout the event IYPSS will support the group in its work by

consulting with the community.

Young People have been engaged in designing a piece of artwork which will be used in forthcoming promotion for the project.

For further details please contact Lusía Gallagher Senior Area Youth Worker on 07793189451

Area 6 – Willenhall/Short Heath

Engaging Young People

The Willenhall and Short Heath Detached Team have targeted their provision in the New Invention Square, Castle Drive, Short Heath and Bridgnorth Grove Park Short Heath areas to respond to an increase in reported ASB incidents. As part of our programme the Detached Team have been carrying out detached work sessions in these hot spot areas and the new team are building relationships through engaging young people in positive activities. Sporting activities have been the current focus to engage with the young people and our detached team are now supporting football sessions with around 25 young people aged 14 to 22 on a regular basis. Rounders was part of the programme during the summer and the Detached Team are using the Hoppa bus to increase activities on Wednesday evenings. Detached work is carried out Tuesday evenings

Wednesday Evenings and Thursday Evenings in the Willenhall and Short Heath area.

On Saturdays 1.00pm to 4.00pm as part of the detached work a gym session is open to all young people held at the Chart Centre Willenhall as part of our response to health indicators highlighting young people's obesity as a concern in Willenhall. Our detached team regularly visit our Looked After Young People in the area to ensure that through Positive Activities programme the young people are included and involved.

For further details please contact Lusía Gallagher Senior Area Youth Worker on 07793189451

Active Involvement and Engagement

2012 Excellent Games Party

Youth Opinions Unite Team hosted the excellent annual event for primary aged Looked after Children. This year we've caught the sporty bug and have themed the party around big events including the Olympics, Paralympics and Euro 2012.

At the party, the children joined in a variety of exciting activities. They raced with each other to the top of the Reach Up Tower...or they got arty and crafty making badges, key rings and flags...then they shot hoops and goals, doing their best to beat their mates...or show everyone that Walsall has talent with a karaoke competition. On top of that, they had their face painted in true patriotic style with our red white and blue face paints...and then decorated their very own cupcake to take home with them (if it lasted that long!).

Mixed in with all the brilliant things to do, the event has a very important message for our Looked After Children. Each child who attended is rewarded with a certificate and a medal to recognise their achievements over the past year. The achievements can be for absolutely anything including academic successes, personal goals and many more besides. Lots of the nominations we get are just to celebrate the bravery of our children in overcoming adversity or really difficult times that can affect Looked After Children.

The event was held at Myplace with bunting to hang up so it looked the part! We had our very own inflatable light up torch for the children to have their picture taken with and we displayed pictures of the official



torch bearers of Walsall, taken when the Olympic flame passed through the borough on 30th June 2012.

For further detail please contact Kate Woodman Active Involvement Co-ordinator 01922 655856

Three down, two to go...

The Change Making Fund Panel are already well on the way to spending £50,000 to help Walsall's most vulnerable young people. Three meetings have been held already this year. The next two meetings are in September and October, so make sure you get your applications in for then. See the guidance notes for more details of the deadline dates.

Because of the growing popularity and awareness of the fund, the Panel has had to make some really tough decisions and have been a lot stricter with the assessments this year. It's great because it means the money is really reaching those who most need it, but the panel know

this means a few disappointed people. If you are one of them, feel free to contact us for a bit of advice about putting your next application in!

Since April, we have funded some really great projects. These include a trip to the Paralympics for three Looked After Children with complex needs to allow them to see some really great role models in action. We have funded the Boxclever project to work with the borough's most vulnerable young people and those at risk of offending, teaching them boxing skills and forging better relationships with the police. Some other projects that have been funded will help young people find employment through

training and job skills sessions. So as you can see, the fund is paying for some amazing projects making life that little bit better for some lucky young people.

You may soon see some Change Making Panel members in your youth club! They really want to promote the fund and want to use the hiatus of meetings over the summer to get out there and tell people about what they do. They will be offering coaching sessions to young people on the fund, how it started, who its targeted at, how to go about planning a project and filling out the application form. If you would like to book a session, please contact me on the details below.

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Three down, two to go... Continued...

They will also be encouraging young people to join them on the panel and make decisions on where the money goes. The panel are all very experienced and have been panel members for a few years, so they are looking to expand membership and bring in some new faces. If you think you know any young people who would be up for the challenge, let us know now!

Panel members all undergo training and regular refreshers to make sure their decisions are fair, and any new members will be supported by the more experienced people on the panel as well as by the Youth Opinions Unite Team.

Please contact either of the below
for a copy of the new application
pack, or see the Positive Activities

website www.mywalsall.org/
positive where it will be uploaded
in the near future.

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01922 655915

Rachel Phillips –
phillipsrach@walsall.gov.uk
01922 655856

Council 4 Kids - busy as always!

Last time we updated you on the Council 4 Kids Big Voice Conference which enabled the council members to meet their fellow Looked After Children of Walsall and gain their views on a whole range of issues, and of course have some well-deserved fun in the shape of a graffiti workshop.

Since, then, the Council has had a few more things to keep them busy.

We have formed the first ever branch of the Council 4 Kids (C4K), by inviting the young people who live in Redruth Road Residential Home to join the Council. The young people who live there all have complex needs, so they will help the Council listen to the voices of disabled children and have brought to light some issues that the young people on C4K wouldn't have known about. To enable them to communicate, the young people at Redruth use Makaton, so the C4K members are having some Makaton training so they can meet and work with their branch members.

The C4K chair, Ashley Powell was successful in getting an Active Involvement Apprenticeship position with the YOU team.

and so stepped down as Chair. Elections were held for a new Chair, Vice-Chair, Secretary and Treasurer. Chelsea, who has been on the Council since the very beginning, more than four years ago, is our new Chair and is doing really well at keeping everyone in order! Tyler was elected as Vice-Chair and Rebecca kept her position as Secretary. The group decided they all wanted to keep track of the funds so are sharing the Treasurer role.

The C4K were invited to a focus group with the Ofsted Inspectors during the recent inspection of Looked After Children and Safeguarding Services. They all handled the experience (which can be quite nerve-wracking!) really well and got their points across to the Inspectors brilliantly. Let's just wait to hear the results...

For the Big Voice conference, the C4K worked to put together a DVD to promote what they do. They now want to make it bigger and better so it can be seen by more and more people and they are working with people who are very clever at that kind of thing to make a film worthy of Oscar

nomination! Watch this space!

The C4K work really closely with the Corporate Parenting Board (almost their adult equivalent) to make things better for Walsall's Looked After Children. So, to celebrate this and for the members of the two groups to get to know each other a bit more, we held a summer garden party complete with flip-flops, a barbeque and summer punch. It was strictly NO business as the event is just about getting to know one another. We had our fingers crossed for a good weather day!

For more information about the Council 4 Kids, please contact Laura Morgan on 01922 654887 or by email at morganlb@walsall.gov.uk



Active Involvement and Engagement

What we are doing for you?!

Locally

Your UKYP (United Kingdom Youth Parliament) reps have been meeting regularly to plan their local campaigns. Below are details of what they want to do for you!

***Jargon Buster* MYP = Member of Youth Parliament and DMYP = Deputy Member of Youth Parliament.**



Name: Danni
Position: MYP
Age: 15

Campaign: Sexual health and teenage pregnancy. Danni is hoping to create and develop a workshop package that would feature sessions on: STI's, healthy relationships, teen parent stories, baby think it over, pregnancy bumps and much more. She is then hoping that every school in Walsall will host at least one workshop every year.



Name: Thomas
Position: MYP
Age: 12

Campaign: Anti bullying. Thomas wants to explore reasons behind bullying, and what can be done to work with children and young people that bully and why. He also wants to raise awareness of the different types of bullying and the lasting effects it can have on children and young people, he is keen to work with young people across Walsall.



Name: Zak
Position: DMYP
Age: 16

Campaign: Drugs and Alcohol. Zak wants to make more information about drug and alcohol effects available to young people. He is trying to set up a young persons peer education drug programme. Pupils in each school could be trained in basic drug and alcohol education and then deliver sessions to their peers.



Name: Robert
Position: DMYP
Age: 14

Campaign: Anti social behaviour. Robert is keen to shout out that young people are not all up to anti-social behaviour, so rather than focus on the negatives Roberts campaign aim is to promote a more positive image of young people to the media and to Walsall's community he is already in the process of contacting local press to do this.

Nationally

July 27th-29th saw Nottingham University taken over by 300 MYPS from across the country. It was of course the Annual sitting where young people from all over the UK, including Walsall's very own Zak and Robert taking part in numerous training sessions, debates, question and answers, as well as the development of the national manifesto, so to think that they had a nice break for two days would be wrong as the minute they arrive to the minute they left their days were taken up with hard work and representing Walsall (of course there was be a little fun – but not much).

Also we are still awaiting the all important

announcement of when a debate to be held in the House of Commons will be, as soon as we know you will know.

And just to add, Walsall's very own Nadi Choudhury (last years DMYP) is doing a fantastic job as procedures group representative for the West Midlands, keep up the excellent work Nadi!.

For further details please contact Jenni Mackay 01922 654888/07834499381



Active Involvement and Engagement

Activate Against Hate! Fancy joining us?

For some time now the Youth of Walsall (YOW), a youth cabinet group has been working together on an anti-hate campaign. The anti-hate campaign..... doesn't quite sound right does it? No, well that's what we thought anyway..... **Activate Against Hate** – that's more like it!! So yep that's just one thing we have been up to, coming up with a name for our campaign, remember it because hopefully you will be seeing it around.



Activate Against Hate has had loads of exciting things going on that we want to share with you, so here goes: in the last two months we have been creating and developing our pledge further, consulting, applying for funding bids for projects, designing, promoting and lots more. First off, YOW members Kylie and Izzie did an Activate Against Hate day in their school, delivering sessions they had created to approx 100 pupils in Brownhills Comprehensive School. The aim of the day was to educate them in the different forms of hate, ask them what they think of the pledge YOW has developed and get some of their ideas around how hate can be reduced in Walsall. The day was a great success with young people saying they enjoyed the session as well as getting some valuable feedback on the pledge itself.

But that's not all.....

The group have been successfully awarded £1500 from Global Changemakers to do a number of projects including a music video, school sessions and internet campaign. More info? Of course.... The group all have a passion for music – pretty much

everyone in there can sing, play an instrument, dance or just genuinely love listening to music so what they want to do is use that passion to highlight our issue of activating against hate. The group will be writing their own unique song from scratch, as well as composing music to it and developing a video for it. They will be working with various groups of young people, community groups and many more to ensure that the video highlights and shows off all the diverse talent/styles and cultures in Walsall. The funding also means that more sessions in schools can be delivered to work with more young people in the borough on this important issue.

Wait there's more.....

The group has also launched a social media campaign, there is a facebook page (of course) simply search "Activate-Against Hate" to keep up to date on project developments and opportunities as well as a link to our twitter page. The group is also running a photo campaign where we are asking young people from Walsall to come up with a slogan, simply finish the sentence "don't hate....." then write it down, take a pic of you with it and tag our Facebook page.



Here are some we made earlier.....

Finally we are also working on developing a logo and brand for our campaign this should becoming real soon - thanks to funding from Community Safety. So stay tuned.

For more information on Activate Against Hate or YOW please do not hesitate to contact: Jenni Mackay 01922654888 or mackayj@walsall.gov.uk

Targeted Youth Support

Target Youth Support

ROLAC is an ongoing initiative to support the use of Restorative Approaches within Children's Homes, whilst helping to address behavioural issues of Looked After Children.

Reduce Offending for Looked After Children (ROLAC) was introduced because of the high proportion of Look After Children becoming involved in the Criminal Justice System. To help reverse this trend residential staff, were trained in Restorative Approaches

to help resolve conflict within Children's Homes thus reducing the need to contact the Police and resolving issues in-house.

The Police supported this process working with the Children's Homes looking at alternatives to arrest.

ROLAC also works on one to one basis with young people in Foster Care, and helping to address issues that may lead to a young person becoming Looked After.

The number of arrests and police call outs to the local Children's Homes has reduced over the last three years. Over the last 18 months call outs have been primarily for missing persons.

If you know a young person who know of would benefit from the type of support described in this article please contact (either TYS or YJS) on 01922 714966 and ask to speak to the duty officer.

Love Yourself' Project.

This project was a development from the 'Love Yourself' girls self esteem group which was funded through the Change Making Fund last year. Self esteem is an ongoing issue for both young females and males, this project has been designed as an ongoing group project open to level 1 and level 2 TYS referrals.

'Love Yourself' is a 6 week project held at Bloxwich Leisure Centre that aims to raise the self esteem of the young people involved. Each week they will engage in an hour's gym session, lead by a qualified trainer, then on to an hour's group work activity lead by a TYS Worker. These sessions aim to raise self esteem by highlighting the positive qualities of each

individual, promoting a healthy lifestyle, gaining a greater knowledge of airbrushing, recognising unhealthy relationships and gaining the skill of positive self talking.

All the young people who participate have the chance of obtaining a Local Authority Award and upon completion of the project they will be given a young person's gym pass allowing them to access the 'Fitzone' gym sessions held at the Leisure Centre if they wish to.

If you think a young person you know of would benefit from the type of support described in this article please contact (either TYS or YJS) on 01922 714966 and ask to speak to the duty officer.

Epic Skate Park

On Tuesday the 10th April 2012 two young men aged 11 and 14 yrs who are engaged with the Targeted Youth Support Service at Blakenall Village, participated in a visit to Epic Skate Park in Moseley, Birmingham. Young people accessing Positive Activities is an integral part of the work carried out by the Targeted Youth Support service. It gives young people the opportunity to build up confidence in working in groups, improve social skills and enables them to deal with new and challenging situations. The young people who attended the trip have scooters of their

own and regularly practice in their garden, play areas and around the streets; to none their skills. I had been asked by the young people if it would be possible to visit Epic, in order to pick up new techniques and practice for them in a safe environment. It would also give them an opportunity to use a range of ramps and the sponge pit which Epic provides.

The day was seen as a success and the young people's feedback was very positive. They are looking forward to going again, as soon as possible and other Targeted

Youth Support workers are now looking to take more young people to Epic. The trip supported these two young people to have more confidence and to actively participate in positive activities, supporting their transition away from negative behaviours.

There will be another visit to Epic in summer holidays of 2012.

If you think a young person you know of would benefit from the type of support described in this article please contact (either TYS or YJS) on 01922 714966 and ask to speak to the duty officer.

Working with the community – making a difference

The ISS (Intensive Supervision and Surveillance) programme has been able to establish a short term project with a local supported housing provider (Rivers House) where young people involved in the criminal justice system can make some reparation to the community for the damaging aspects of their behaviour.

Kate, a new Youth Justice Officer with Walsall, identified this opportunity through a visit she made to Rivers House during her induction period. Staff at Rivers House advised her that the residents at their accommodation had discussed growing their own vegetables. From this idea Kate offered Rivers House the opportunity to utilise the skills of some of the young people she was working with on the ISS programme

by enabling them to create a vegetable patch in their garden. This would have the dual purpose of benefitting the residents as well as providing a positive activity for the young people on ISS to make reparation to their community.

The work is scheduled to take several weekends and will also include general garden maintenance. The young people on ISS will be joined by some of the residents at Rivers House in completing this project.

It is hoped there will be a long future ahead of the residents at Rivers House growing their own vegetables.

For further details please contact Julie Turner - ISS Senior Practitioner – 01922 714966

Risk Awareness Programme

This is a new initiative which ran between 14.05.12 and 25.06.12. It was a five week Road Safety Awareness programme running each Monday between 4:15pm - 6:00pm in collaboration with West Midlands Fire Service Road Traffic Collision Team.

It is aimed at exploring personal and public safety and responsibility in relation to road traffic, driving and taking vehicle without consent offences.

Overall feedback from young people and session providers is positive and we shall therefore continue to run this programme on a regular basis.

Probably the most significant session involved the attendance of a victim (SX) of a road traffic accident caused by a vehicle taken without consent which resulted in significant life changing and disabling injuries to the victim. SX attended the session to talk to the young people about the impact it has had on his life and on his family. He now requires a full time carer and support with most daily tasks that young people take for granted.

SX's attendance really made an impact on the young people and helped them to think about the actions they take and the consequences their decision making could potentially have on others.

This face to face 'encounter' was especially beneficial because it was not a fictional case study but a real life event that had taken place related directly to the young people by the victim himself. SX talking about how his life had changed as a result of the accident helped the young people to understand it could potentially happen

to anyone, including themselves. This raised their awareness of dangerous and reckless driving and the impact it can have on other people's futures as well as their own.

The week following this session, one of the young people DX expressed that he "felt bad" for the victim. When being transported home from the session that same night, DX stated that he had thought a lot about SX as he had never before thought about what could happen to someone; he admitted he has been in a vehicle driving at high speeds and did not even think about how badly someone could get hurt or the dangers of what could happen if a child or person stepped out into the road as it would not be possible to stop.

DX loves cars and likes the excitement of driving but he now knows that there is a huge risk involved in this; and would not want to be involved in an accident. He now understands the reality of the potential consequences connected to this kind of behaviour on the road.

Overall, DX has gained the most out from this programme, he was very shy to begin with but now seems to be more confident and talkative as he was encouraged each week to contribute and participate. He, along with the other attendees will receive a certificate from West Midlands Fire Service for attending and participating in the programme.

If you know a young person who would benefit from the type of support described in this article please contact (either TYS or YJS) on 01922 714966 and ask to speak to the duty officer."

Information, Advice and Guidance

Nothing about me without me.....

Following the successful launch of a person centred approach to Transition Reviews in Walsall's secondary schools, introduced in September 2011 by Walsall Local Authority, Elmwood Special School recently held a coffee morning for parents of pupils from Year 9 - Year 11 to share the new process and to give information about Post 16 opportunities.

Rita Martin, LDD Coordinator Prospects — IAG (Information Advice & Guidance) Service and link PA to the School gave an overview of how the new approaches have been received in Elmwood school. It was particularly pleasing to be able to give very positive feedback about how the pupils have engaged with the new format and to be able to report that pupils feel far more included in the process which results in them having a better understanding of and ownership of their Transition Pathway.

Parents who had experienced the new format for the Review process were also full of praises for the new approach and fully endorse the changes the School and/ Local Authorities have introduced.

Rita is a member of the Walsall Task and Finish Group which evaluated the first year of the Project for all Walsall Secondary schools , it will then make recommendations to the Disability Partnership Steering Board.

For further details please contact Rita Martin, LDD Coordinator Prospects on 01922 636333



Meeting the needs of young people

IAG and Positive Activities have been working closely together to meet the needs of young people in the South Area. Kirit Patel – Personal Advisor for Prospects has held IAG sessions at Pleck Youth Centre, targeting young people from the area. The sessions were open to all but particularly targeted at young people who were NEET, Year11/12 leavers and large numbers of new centre users who have recently moved into the area.

The sessions take place on Thursday evenings and a number of young people access information and guidance. Kirit Patel said that as a result of the sessions he had worked with a number of young people and supported two of the group with their college applications to begin a course in September. He had also introduced two young people to a local training provider offering apprenticeships in construction.

Given the success of these interventions, IAG sessions are already planned to be part of the centre's Summer Programme 2012 and there are plans to further develop the good partnership work taking place with Pleck Youth Centre, so that young people can easily arrange an appointment with a Personal Adviser through the centre staff.

For further detail please contact Kirit Patel – Personal Advisor for Prospects on 01922 636333

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Helping young people reach their ambitions

Personal Advisor from Prospects IAG supported a Year 11 client to attend her interview and initial assessment at Walsall College. This was a big achievement for this young person as she has mental health problems and learning difficulties. The

young person has not attended school during year 11 due to anxiety/behavioural difficulties. We managed to negotiate a programme for her and she will start in September.

A number of year 9 pupils who have recently chosen there

KS4 options; were not happy with options available, therefore supported them to approach there school to amend options which resulted in changes.

For further details please contact Rob Bennett on 01922 636333

Let's Talk Jobs

Personal Advisors IAG Prospects have been giving Occupational Talks at Queen Mary Grammar School covering engineering, medicine, banking, architecture. IAG presentations have also been made regarding Black Country UTC (for year 10 and year 12 students) and students of Polish descent (from around the Black Country) who meet at Joseph Leckie School on a Saturday morning.

Pool Hayes had two sessions delivered, the first session looked at the different types of degrees and HE courses on offer, the broad range of subjects available, thinking 'outside the box', what you can do with different degrees, post graduate courses, what to consider when choosing your institution etc. The second session looked at 'Not going to Uni', alternative options (sponsorships, apprenticeships, work etc), where to look for vacancies, how to and where to apply for vacancies, developing interview and employability skills and useful web sites to help with research.

A 'Hands on Careers Day' was held at Aldridge School. This event was aimed at low ability students in school in years 8-10 to support them to explore vocational career pathways. The event consisted of a number of local training providers doing small group sessions with approximately four students at a time and getting them to have a go at various different

vocational pathways including Hairdressing, Beauty Therapy, Health and Social care, Construction, and Engineering teamed up with Walsall College to put on a joint session exploring 'Dream Jobs' which coincided with Walsall College's marketing theme of 'Realising your Dream. We conducted an activity exploring dream jobs and routes into the job, also highlighting qualifications needed and skills and abilities needed for the job.

The second activity consisted of students getting into pairs to 'Guess the Dream Job' by asking questions and exploring what day to day activities the job involved. The sessions were a great success and the school reported that the students had a lot of fun and found the event useful.

After the success of this event, we approached Mirus Academy and will now be organising a similar event for their year 12/13 students in September. This will involve sessions delivered at Aston/Wolverhampton University and Walsall College, The above event is scheduled for September.

Staff at Barr Beacon School will be meeting to discuss a planned programme of IAG for year 7 and 8 pupils in September.

For further details please contact Rob Bennett on 01922 636333

**If you have any comments on the newsletter
or want to contribute to the Eighth edition
which is due in December 2012,
please contact Shain Akhtar
on 01922 650437 or 07793189450
or email iypsspromotions@walsall.gov.uk**

Positive Activities and Youth Work

Area Partnership One

Pelsall, Rushall, Shelfield, Brownhills

Contact: Tony Brown 07843 211642

Area	Venue	Contact Details	Service Description	Days	Times
Pelsall	Pelsall Youth Centre, Church Road, Pelsall	Full time youth worker Fiona Campbell 01922 684292	Youth provision 13-19yrs of age	Mondays	6.45-9.45pm 6.15-8.45pm
Alternative Education Programme	Pelsall Youth Centre, Church Road, Pelsall	Rachael Brett 01922 684292 Or Fiona Campbell 01922 684292	Youth provision 8-12yrs of age	Tuesdays / Thursdays	6.15-8.45pm
	Pelsall Youth Centre, Church Road, Pelsall	Full time youth worker Fiona Campbell 01922 684292	Youth provision 13-19yrs of age 10 years upwards	Tuesdays	6.45-9.45pm 4.00-6.00pm
	Pelsall Youth Centre, Church Road, Pelsall	Full time youth worker Fiona Campbell 01922 684292	Youth provision 13-19yrs of age	Wednesdays	5.45-8.15pm
Alternative Education Programme	Pelsall Youth Centre, Church Road, Pelsall	Rachael Brett 01922 684292 Fiona Campbell 01922 684292	Youth provision 13-19yrs of age	Tuesdays / Thursdays	9.30am-12.30pm 2.00-5.00pm
Commissioned Youth Provision	Brownhills Youth Centre The Activity Centre Brownhills	Part Time Senior Worker Sharon Mason 07751 263702	Youth Provision for 11-19 yrs of age	Monday- Thursday	6.45-9.45pm
Alternative Education Programme	Community Youth Challenge (CYC Start) The Activity Centre Brownhills	Sharon Mason 07751263702 Rebecca Dace 07855 405022	Project for students who have, or are at risk of exclusion from statutory education	Monday-Friday	9.00am-2.30pm. Term Time only
Voluntary Service supported by NHS	CYC Start The Activity Centre Brownhills	Elaine Hyde (YP Health advisor) Sharon Mason 07751263702	Confidential health advice drop-in centre for young people	Wednesday	3.00-4.30pm
Pelsall & Rushall	Detached Provision	Kerion Atkinson 07793 189449	Hopper & Detached Provision	Monday	7.00-10.00pm
Brownhills & Shelfield	Detached Provision	Kerion Atkinson 07793 189449	Hopper & Detached Provision	Thursdays / Friday	7.00-10.00pm
Across Area	Daytime Detached	Kerion Atkinson 07793 189449	Hopper & Detached Provision	Tuesdays / Thursdays	12.00-3.00pm

Positive Activities and Youth Work

Area Partnership Two

Walsall Wood, Aldridge, Streetly and Pheasey

Contact: Julie Hill 07841 795759

Area	Venue	Contact Details	Service Description	Days	Times
Aldridge	Aldridge Manor House, Little Aston Road, Aldridge, Walsall, WS9 8NJ	Margaret Francis 01922 650444	Generic Youth Provision Junior Provision	Monday and Thursday Tuesday	7.00-9.30pm 7.00-9.30pm 5.00-7.30pm
Streetly	Blackwood Youth Club, Blackwood Road, Streetly, B74 3PL	Maggie Bowles 0121 353 0005	Generic Sessions but includes targeted provision when funding is available through external providers	Tuesday and Thursday	7.00-9.30pm
Commissioned Provision Streetly	Streetly Youth Club, Foley Road East, Streetly, B74 3HR	Jenny Henney 0121 353 8630	Targets young people undertaking the Duke of Edinburgh Awards (Bronze to Gold) Generic Youth provision including sport activities	Monday to Thursday Wednesday and Thursday	6.00-9.00pm 6.00-9.00pm
Area 1 Partnership	Walsall Wood Youth Club, Brownhills Road, Walsall Wood.	Steve Thacker 01543 452676	Generic youth provision Development plans for 11-13 years opening Sundays once a month	Monday to Thursday	7.00-9.30pm
Partnerships Provision Streetly	Cyberbus Provision- Blackwood Road, Blackwood	Julie Hill 07841 795759	Engaging young people through positive engagement in partnership with the Police	Friday	6.30-8.30pm
	Cyberbus- Collingwood Drive, Great Barr, B43 7NF	Julie Hill 07841 795759	Engaging young people through positive engagement in partnership-with the Police	Sunday	6.30-8.30pm
Detached Team	Walsall Wood, Aldridge, Pheasey, Red House	Mark Stephens 01922 650435	Hopper & Detached Provision	Monday / Tuesday / Thursday	6.00-9.00pm
The Vision	Collingwood Centre	Collingwood Centre 0121 360 1484	Generic Youth Activities	Monday / Wednesday	7.00-9.00pm

Positive Activities and Youth Work

Area Partnership Three

Bloxwich, Blakenall, Birchills, Leamore

Contact: Imran Suddle 07793 189448 / 01922 720391

Area	Venue	Contact Details	Service Description	Days	Times
Dartmouth Youth Centre	40, New Forest Road, New Forest Glade Estate, Dartmouth Walsall, WS3 1TR	Imran Suddle 07793 189448	Open mixed youth provision 13-19yrs of age	Tuesday	6.00-8.00pm
Mossley Youth Project	88, Sneyd Lane , Bloxwich, Walsall, WS3 2NA	Suzanne Snape 07939 033389	Brighter Futures IAG	Monday / Thursday	11.00am-2.00pm
Mossley Youth Project	88, Sneyd Lane , Bloxwich, Walsall, WS3 2NA	Suzanne Snape 07939 033389	Young Leader Programme	Monday	6.15-8.45pm
Proffitt St Youth Club	10 Proffitt Street Walsall WS3 8AR	Imran Suddle 07793 189448	Project Night-16-19 yrs old	Wednesday	6.00-9.00pm
Proffitt St Youth Club	10 Proffitt Street Walsall WS3 8AR	Imran Suddle 07793 189448	Junior Youth Club	Monday	6.00-9.00pm
Proffitt St Youth Club	10 Proffitt Street Walsall WS3 8AR	Nicky Kype-01922 714966	Connexions/YOS/IYPSS-IAG/Job club CoPE programme	Wednesday	12.00-2.00pm
Proffitt St Youth Club	10 Proffitt Street Walsall WS3 8AR	Jerry Ward 01922 714966	Reparative Justice Group	Wednesday	4.30-7.30pm
Proffitt St Youth Club	10 Proffitt Street Walsall WS3 8AR	Imran Suddle 07793 189448	Generic youth club	Thursday	6.00-9.00pm
Harden Road Centre	Goscote Field Walsall WS3 1EL	Stella Pettiffer 01922 628617	Young People's Drop-in Service offering advice and Information	Monday Tuesday Wednesday	6.30-9.00pm
Frank F Harrison Community Association	Leamore Lane, Bloxwich, Walsall, WS2 7NR	Bruce Bennett 01922 746967	Place to Be (Junior Club) 8-12 yrs old	Monday	5.00-7.00pm
Dudley Fields Youth Centre	Sneyd Hall Road, Dudley Fields, Estate, Bloxwich, Walsall	Bruce Bennett 01922 746967	Open mixed youth provision 13-19yrs of age	Tuesday Wednesday	5.00-7.30pm
Beechdale Life Long Learning Centre	Stephenson Square, Beechdale Estate, Walsall WS2	Bruce Bennett 01922 746967	Open mixed youth provision 13-19yrs of age	Wednesday	5.30-8.00pm
Beechdale Life Long Learning Centre	Stephenson Square, Beechdale Estate, Walsall WS2	Bruce Bennett 01922 746967	Internet Café	Thursday	5.00-7.00pm
Blakenhall Community Centre	Blakenhall Row Blakenhall Walsall WS3 ILW	Dan Garbett 01922 712069	Senior Youth Club 13-19yrs old	Wednesday Thursday Saturday	6.00-8.30pm
Blakenhall Community Centre	Blakenhall Row Blakenhall Walsall WS3 ILW	Dan Garbett 01922 712069	Junior Youth Club 9-12 yrs old	Mondays	6.00-8.30pm

Positive Activities and Youth Work

Area Partnership Three *Continued...*

Bloxwich, Blakenall, Birchills, Leamore

Contact: Imran Suddle 07793 189448 / 01922 720391

Area	Venue	Contact Details	Service Description	Days	Times
Forest Arts Centre	Hawbush Road Leamore, Walsall WS3 1AG	Barry Dutton 01922 492080	Rock & Pop Academy/ Musical Theatre	Wednesday	4.00-8.00pm
The Electric Palace	156a High St, Bloxwich WS3 3JT	Dan Garbett 01922 712069	Senior Youth Club 13-19yrs old	Tuesday Friday Sunday	6.00-8.30pm 12.00-2.30pm
The Electric Palace	156a High St, Bloxwich WS3 3JT	Dan Garbett 01922 712069	Junior Youth Club-9-12yrs old	Thursday	6.00-8.30pm
The Electric Palace	156a High St, Bloxwich WS3 3JT	Dan Garbett 01922 712069	Step Up Project-13-19yrs old Specialist after school drop in	Monday Wednesday Friday	3.45-5.45pm
The Electric Palace	156a High St, Bloxwich WS3 3JT	Dan Garbett 01922 712069	Baby Café Support group for young parents & parents-to-be offering opportunity to meet new friends and learn new skills	Friday	1.00-3.00pm
Across Area 3	Daytime Detached	Mike Colliyer 07982 314299		Tuesday to Thursday Friday Wednesday	6.00-9.00pm 6.00pm-9.00pm 2.00-5.00pm

Positive Activities and Youth Work

Area Partnership Four

St Mathews Paddock Palfrey Pleck Alumwell & Delves /
Joseph Leckie School CTC

Contact: Georgie Abbott 077340 62663 / 01922 723926

Area	Venue	Contact Details	Service Description	Days	Times
(Boys 2 Men group)	Palfrey CA Milton Street, Walsall	Georgie Abbott 07734062663	Young men only provision 13-19yrs of age	Saturday	6.15-8.45pm
Palfrey CA	Palfrey CA, Milton Street, Walsall	Tim Oliver 01922 649716	Open mixed youth provision 13-19yrs of age	Mondays	5.30-8.30pm
Palfrey CA	Palfrey CA, Milton Street, Walsall	Tim Oliver 01922 649716	Open mixed youth provision	Thursday	5.30-8.30pm
Palfrey CA	Palfrey CA, Milton Street, Walsall	Tim Oliver 01922 649716	Young women only group	Wednesday (Saturday in winter months November – march)	5.30-8.30pm 10.00-1.00pm
Pleck Youth Centre	Wednesbury Road Walsall	Georgie Abbott 07734062663	Open mixed youth provision 13-19yrs of age Positive Vibes	Monday	6.00pm-9.00pm
Pleck Youth Centre Healthy & Safe	Wednesbury Road Walsall	Georgie Abbott 07734062663	TLC Young People's Services Open mixed youth provision	Wednesday	2.00-5.30pm 6.00-9.00pm
Pleck Youth Centre Enjoy & Achieve	Wednesbury Road Walsall	Georgie Abbott 07734062663	Open mixed youth session	Tuesday Thursdays	6.15-8.45pm
Pleck Youth Centre Open Session for young women and mums	Wednesbury Road Walsall	Georgie Abbott 07734062663	Open provision	Saturday	5.00-8.00pm 10.00am-12.00pm
Joseph Leckie CTC	Walstead Road West Walsall, WS5 4PG	Kate Fellows 07734 496791	Lunch club Engage Project Girls Group After Schools Provision	Wednesday	12.00-1.00pm
	Walstead Road West Walsall, WS5 4PG	Kate Fellows 07734 496791	Borough wide Youth Provision	Saturday	3.05-5.05pm 2.00-5.00pm 6.00-9.00pm
St Mathews, Pleck, Caldmere, Delves, Palfrey, Chuckery, Paddock	Detached Provision	Paul Dennis 07834 499382 01922 723926	Hopper & Detached Provision	Mondays Tuesday Thursdays Saturday	6.00-9.00pm 12.00-3.00pm

Positive Activities and Youth Work

Area Partnership Five

Bentley, Darlaston, Moxley, and Rough Haye

Contact: Roy Smith 07793 189452

Area	Venue	Contact Details	Service Description	Days	Times
Bentley CA	Bentley Youth club, Wilks Avenue	Denise Birkett 01922 721097	11-19 Open Mixed youth provision (youth Café)	Monday	4.00-7.00pm 7.00-9.00pm
Bentley CA	Bentley Youth club, Wilks Avenue	Denise Birkett 01922 721097	8-12 years Junior Youth Provision (youth Café) Ultim8 11-19 Open Mixed youth provision (youth Café)	Tuesday	4.00-7.00pm 7.00-9.00pm
Bentley CA	Bentley Youth club, Wilks Avenue	Denise Birkett 01922 721097	8-12 years Junior Youth Provision (youth Café) Ultim8 11-19 Open Mixed youth provision (youth Café)	Wednesday	4.00-7.00pm 7.00-9.00pm
Bentley CA	Bentley Youth club, Wilks Avenue	Denise Birkett 01922 721097	8-12 years Junior Youth Provision (youth Café) Ultim8 11-19 Open Mixed youth provision (youth Café)	Thursday	4.00-7.00pm 7.00-9.00pm
Bentley CA	Bentley Youth club Wilks Avenue	Denise Birkett 01922 721097	8-12 years Junior Youth Provision (youth Café) Ultim8 11-19 Open Mixed youth provision (youth Café)	Friday	4.00-7.00pm 7.00-9.00pm
Bentley	Bentley Youth club Wilks Avenue	Denise Birkett 01922 721097	Open mixed youth provision	Saturday	10.00am-1.00pm
Moxley CA	Moxley CA	Wendy Pearce 01902 496378	Open mixed youth session 13-19	Monday	6.00-7.30pm
Moxley CA	Moxley CA	Wendy Pearce 01902 496378	Junior Youth Club 8-12	Monday	6.00-7.30pm
Moxley CA	Moxley CA	Wendy Pearce 01902 496378	Open mixed youth session 13-19	Monday	6.00-7.30pm
Darlaston	Detached	Roy Smith 07793 189452	Hopper Buses and Detached provision	Monday	6.00-9.00pm
Bentley	Detached	Roy Smith 07793 189452	Hopper Buses and Detached provision	Tuesday	6.00-9.00pm
Darlaston	Detached	Roy Smith 07793 189452	Hopper Buses and Detached provision	Wednesday	6.00-9.00pm
Bentley	Detached	Roy Smith 07793 189452	Hopper Buses and Detached provision	Friday	6.00-9.00pm
Rough Haye	Moxley	Roy Smith 07793 189452	Open mixed youth session 13-19	Monday Friday	5.45-8.15pm
Darlaston	Darlaston, Bills Street	Raqia Akhtar or Roy Smith 07921 404291	Young men's group	Monday	6.00-8.30pm
Darlaston	Darlaston, Bills Street	Raqia Akhtar or Roy Smith 07921 404291	Young men's group	Tuesday	6.00-8.30pm
Darlaston	Darlaston, Bills Street	Raqia Akhtar or Roy Smith 07921 404291	Young women's group	Wednesday	5.00-7.00pm
Darlaston	Darlaston, Bills Street	Raqia Akhtar or Roy Smith 07921 404291	Young women's group	Thursday	5.00-7.00pm
Moxley	Cyber bus	Roy Smith 07793 189452	Open mixed youth provision 8-19 years	Saturday	6.00-8.00pm
Darlaston	Darlaston, Bills Street	Raqia Akhtar or Roy Smith 07921 404291	Generic session	Saturday	1.00-4.00pm

Positive Activities and Youth Work

Area Partnership Six

Willenhall West

Contact: Lusia Gallagher 07793 189451

Area	Venue	Contact Details	Service Description	Days	Times
St Giles Resource Centre	31 Walsall Street Willenhall, Walsall	Lusia Gallagher 07793189451	Open Mixed Youth Provision 13-19yrs of age	Mondays and Wednesdays	5.30-9.00pm
Rosehill Youth Centre	Rosehill Way, Willenhall WV13 2LX	Lusia Gallagher 07793189451	Open mixed youth provision 13-19yrs of age	Wednesday and Thursday	6.00-9.00pm
Lighthouse Youth Club	Heath Road, New Invention, Willenhall	Aaron Lawrance 01922 701670	Open Mixed youth session 13-19 years of age	Monday	5.30-7.30pm
Caretaker's House	Willenhall School, Furzebank Way, Willenhall WV12 4BB	Lusia Gallagher 07793189451	Lunch Time Generic Session	Monday-Friday	12.40-13.40pm
Caretaker's House	Willenhall School, Furzebank Way, Willenhall WV12 4BB	Lusia Gallagher 07793189451	Sexual Health Session in partnership with NHS	Monday	12.40-2.40pm
Caretaker's House	Willenhall School, Furzebank Way, Willenhall WV12 4BB	Lusia Gallagher 07793189451	One to One Mentoring	Monday and Friday	9.30am-12.30pm
Willenhall Detached Team	Willenhall School, Furzebank Way, Willenhall WV12 4BB	Lusia Gallagher 07793189451	Detached Youth work	Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday	6.15-8.45pm
Pool Hayes Youth Project	Pool Hayes Community School Castle Drive, Willenhall WV12 4QZ	Wayne Palmer 01922 386613	Open Mixed Youth Provision 13-19yrs of age	Monday Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday	4.30-5.30pm 5.45-7.45pm
Willenhall Memorial Park Youth Project (The Hut)		Lusia Gallagher 07793189451	Generic Youth Activities	Saturday	1.00-4.00pm