

Young People- Things To Do, Places To Go

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Our Ambition

- Ed Balls: “Our aim is to make this the best place in the world for children and young people to grow up...[we will] put the needs of families, children and young people at the heart of everything we do.”
- “Most children are happy, most are achieving to a higher level than ever before, enjoying better health, more opportunities to travel, to engage in sport or cultural activities than was the case for any previous generation.”

Empowering and Involving Young People

- *Aiming High for Young People* £679 million over the next 3 years to improve the quality and quantity of positive activities and places to go for young people.
- Youth Capital Fund: £26.5m per year
- Youth Opportunity Fund: £31m per year
- Budget Devolution

“I think it is a good way for young people to get involved in good stuff. It gives young people from the streets and different backgrounds the opportunity to make real decisions”

“This money has been really positive for young people. Lots of young people in Bromley have had the chance to get involved in stuff they would never have been able to do. It has also provided them with lots more things to do and places to go”

Quotes from young people on the Youth Opportunity and Capital Funds

Access and Inclusion

- Local Authority Duty to Provide Access to Positive Activities and to Publicise them
- Positive Activities for Young People (PAYP): £221m 2008-11
- New Performance Indicator
- myplace: £190m to kick-start delivery of world-class youth facilities in every area of the country
- Integrated Capital Strategy
- Additional YOF (50 LAs) : £25m across 2008-11
- Youth Capital + : £22.6m in 2008-09

And remember25% of young people do not participate in any positive activities. particularly those most at risk of the poorest outcomes.

Improved Delivery for Young People Everywhere – The Youth Taskforce

Youth Taskforce aimed at working with local partners to help improve the local response

Working in context of Local Government White Paper

Reaching the most difficult to engage using triple track approach

- Enforcement
- Non-negotiable support
- Early prevention

A Challenge

- How do we ensure that this offer is sustainable long term so that our young people can continue to have access to high quality activities, services and facilities and the positive benefits which flow from them?