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# Implementing youth matters

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## Continuing the dialogue with young people

Something to do,  
Somewhere to go,  
Someone to talk to

## Continuing the dialogue: Survey and Questionnaire

**The Government wants young people to feel like valued members of society – whose achievements and contributions are celebrated. We believe that this means society should see young people positively, essential for its future, and not view them as a problem to be solved.**

After the wide consultation that followed publication of Youth Matters, Beverley Hughes promised that this was “part of a continuing dialogue between Government and young people. We will make sure that your voices continue to be heard.”

So, we want to keep in touch with young people’s views. I am visiting a wide range of projects during June 2007 to meet young people in their communities. I will also be meeting and talking with young people at dialogue events in the North East, North West and South West regions.

In addition to these face-to-face meetings, we also want to hear the views from more young people.

We have, therefore, set up this survey for you to tell us what you think about the range of activities and opportunities available in your local area.

Your views will really help us to inform and shape our future youth policies and build up an evidence base for future decisions, so we would be really grateful if you could make sure we receive your response by 2 July.



**Parmjit Dhanda**

(Parliamentary Under Secretary of State  
for Children and Families)

# Your chance to give your views: Survey and Questionnaire

## About You.

Please tick the box that best describes you.

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| <input type="radio"/> Under 14                   | <input type="radio"/> Age 18 -19       |
| <input type="radio"/> Age 14 to 15               | <input type="radio"/> Age 19 and above |
| <input type="radio"/> Age 16 to 17               |  |
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| <input type="radio"/> Male                       | <input type="radio"/> Female           |
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| <input type="radio"/> In education               | <input type="radio"/> Employed         |
| <input type="radio"/> In training/apprenticeship | <input type="radio"/> Unemployed       |
| <input type="radio"/> Other                      |  |

If you have chosen 'other' please could you give more details.

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If you are a young person's organisation, school or other group please tell us who you are and how many young people are represented by the answers to the questions.

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## Your chance to give your views: Survey and Questionnaire

**This survey asks you some questions about what is happening in your local area. Please tick the box that best describes how you feel. You can add extra comments if you want to.**

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Do you feel that there is a good choice of things for you to do in your local area (for example sports, clubs and leisure activities)?

- Yes                       No                       Not sure

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Do you think that there have been any improvements in the activities for young people over the past year? This might be in the number of activities or an increase in the type of activity.

- Yes                       No                       Not sure

Comments

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How often do you take part in activities each week, for example a club, organised sport or leisure activity?

- Never                       Once                       More than once

Comments

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Have you heard about the money available for young people for things to do and places to go. This might be called the Youth Opportunities Fund and/or Youth Capital Fund or it might have a different name altogether like 'Cash for Action; or 'Funding for Lots of Super Stuff (FLOSS)?

Yes                       No                       Not Sure

Comments

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Have you been involved in making decisions about money in any of these funds?

Yes                       No                       Don't Know

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Do you think that the people who run services in your community (for example transport or leisure facilities) listen to young people?

Yes                       No                       Don't Know

Comments

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Do you have somewhere you can go to meet friends?

Yes                       No                       Don't Know

If you do where is it?

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Do you feel safe going out with your friends?

a) in the day?

Yes                       No                       Don't Know

b) in the evening?

Yes                       No                       Don't Know

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Do you feel that the image of young people reported in your local media (newspapers, TV and radio) is accurate and well balanced?

Yes                       No                       Don't Know

Comments

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Have you heard about the fund called 'Mediabox' which gives young people the opportunity to create and get involved in media projects in their communities?

Yes                       No                       Don't Know

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Do you get involved in volunteering activities? Examples might be helping run a club or sports activity, being on your school/college council, raising money for charity or helping in your local community.

Never                       Occasionally                       Often

Comments

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This doesn't necessarily mean your response can be made available to the public, as there are exceptions for information provided in confidence and information under the Data Protection Act 1998.

Please tick here if you want us to keep your response confidential (but be aware that this won't necessarily exclude public right of access).

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Once you've filled in as much of the questionnaire as you'd like to, please post back to:

**Consultation Unit**

Area 1A  
Castle View House  
East Lane  
Runcorn  
Cheshire  
WA7 2GJ

before the deadline of 2 July 2007.

Thanks very much for taking the time to let us know what you think. The answers you've given are all anonymous, so no-one will be able to trace them back to you. The information gathered from this survey will be published on the DfES website in the summer.

If you'd like to reply electronically, please use the online or offline questionnaire on the Department for Education and Skills e-consultation website:

**[www.dfes.gov.uk/consultations](http://www.dfes.gov.uk/consultations)**



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