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This online annex to the Mayor's renewed agenda on children and young people contains more detailed information on major projects and initiatives from GLA, its functional bodies and Commissions.

Where possible, further links are provided to more information available on GLA group or external websites.

This annex is structured along the lines of the report's seven main chapters.

Children and young people's voice, volunteering and participation

GLA Peer Outreach Workers (POW) team: Parliamentary Outreach Project

GLA Peer Outreach Workers (POW) team was established to give young Londoners the opportunity to represent their peers alongside decision makers, to gain valuable training and experience, to act as positive role models and to engage with the wider cohort of young Londoners. In 2009-10 they worked with the Parliamentary Outreach Project of the UK Parliament to bring over 150 young people (between the ages of 11 and 23) from across London to City Hall in March 2010 to inform and educate them on how the British political system operates and how they can make a difference in society. The POW team is now helping to design an accredited course which would enable them to facilitate future events directly. www.london.gov.uk/priorities/young-people/engaging-young-people

GLA POW team: young people and alcohol project

GLA POWs are working on the front line with the NHS Ambulance Service and Alcohol Concern to understand the issues around young people's and young adults' drinking, to contribute to prevention and improve the service responses. They have joined all-night, Friday ambulance crews in the West End to observe directly the effects of alcohol on 15 to 25 year olds. This led to POW team members developing a questionnaire with which to approach young people and adults coming out of the Tube, to test their awareness of the legal obligation on clubs to provide tap water and why it's important to carry a mobile phone and emergency contact information. The team was also part of the working group of

the Joint Action Group for Alcohol in London which, through the GLA, published new Children, Young People and Alcohol Pan-London Guidance in May 2010.

www.london.gov.uk/priorities/young-people/engaging-young-people
www.ldan.org.uk/documents/FinalPractitionerGuidance.pdf

Lynk Up Crew

The GLA, with the help of the Peer Outreach Workers team, brings together a cross section of London children between 7 and 15 years of age, who help advise the Mayor on GLA policy making and act as a voice for other young Londoners. In 2009, the Mayor and Esther Rantzen presented to the Lynk Up Crew their Diana Achievement Award for Excellence, which gives valuable recognition to young people who make outstanding and selfless contributions to their communities. They won in the 'Diana Anti-Bullying Award' category.

www.london.gov.uk/priorities/young-people/engaging-young-people

YOU London

Project Titan (part of Time for Action) called for more emphasis on developing what used to be known as 'character' in young people, and uniformed youth groups have proved they can make a real difference. You London is a unique partnership of the oldest, largest and most experienced uniformed youth organisations in Greater London (eg scouts, sea cadets), which provide positive activities for children and young people through fun and adventure. Community Fire Cadets and Volunteer Police Cadets are two

examples in the GLA group.
www.youlondon.org.uk

Met Police's online youth survey of 30,000 young Londoners

Over 31,000 young people across London took part in the Metropolitan Police Service's online youth survey in late 2009, telling the Met Police what mattered to them and receiving feedback tailored to their locality. The key themes in the latest survey related to the journey to and from school, and concerns in and around school and in their local neighbourhood. Local police teams across London are now working to resolve these issues through such activities as increased high visibility patrols on school journeys, offering personal safety crime prevention advice and working in close partnership with the Safer Schools Officers.

Volunteer Police Cadets (Metropolitan Police Service, MPS)

The Volunteer Police Cadets (VPC) scheme offers challenging opportunities to young people from all walks of life, including those at risk from crime and social exclusion. The Mayor supports the VPC and their push to increase membership from 1,300 to 4,000 across London by 2012. This scheme is open to all 14 to 19 year olds to apply (ie it is not targeted) and aims to be the key MPS youth engagement tool. All boroughs have at least one cadet unit, with Hillingdon, Lambeth, Merton and Westminster having two. They are based in schools, with links to the extended schools programme.
www.met.police.uk/cadets/

Community Fire Cadets (London Fire Brigade, LFB)

The Brigade launched its Community Fire Cadets scheme in Hackney and Tower Hamlets in February 2009 (and Bexley in March 2010). The scheme is delivered primarily by LFB staff and follows a comprehensive syllabus in which local young people aged 14 to 18 attend a fire station one evening per week to take part in Fire Brigade-led activities with a developmental and educational outcome. Cadets participate in the scheme for a maximum of 65 weeks over an 18 month period. It offers them the unique opportunity of attaining a tangible educational outcome placed at the National Qualifications Framework, the Edexcel level 2 BTEC in Fire and Rescue Services in the Community.
<http://www.london-fire.gov.uk/OurWorkWithYoungPeople.asp>

Local Intervention Fire Education (LIFE) (LFB)

LIFE started in June 2002 in Tower Hamlets and now covers 31 of the 33 London boroughs. Since 2002, over 4,000 young people have attended the scheme. In October 2010, it will be running its 500th course. The scheme is an intensive one-week long course delivered by locally based operational staff. It aims to build close links with young people in the local community, assisting those who are at risk of social exclusion or involvement in anti-social behaviour especially fire-related activity. The Scheme is targeted particularly at young people aged between 13 and 17. Notable benefits include improving community relations and reducing anti social behaviour, as well as instilling a sense of social responsibility, self

worth and self discipline in its candidates. There are also courses in Feltham Youth Offending Institution as part of the Project Daedulus (Time for Action) programme aimed at reducing the re-offending rate of those released.

Junior Firesetters Intervention Scheme (LFB)

A service to young people, provided at nil cost, who are at risk of firesetting through playing with fire or who are displaying deliberate firesetting tendencies or actions. The scheme is delivered across London by a range of LFB staff from all disciplines on a voluntary basis, and is targeted at any young person identified as at risk of firesetting.

LFB work in schools

Through the Brigade's Schools' Team, a number of dedicated staff deliver a bespoke training package to primary school children targeted on areas of accidental fires. Over one million school children have benefited from this programme since its inception. The Brigade participated in multi-agency 'Junior Citizen' events in 27 boroughs in 2009/10. This aims to teach KS2 (year 6) children about personal responsibility and consequences as well as personal safety in short 10 to 15 minute interactive 'experiential' scenarios.

Youth.Com (part of Well London)

Young people across London are helping transform the health of their own communities through a unique project called Youth.Com. Twenty young people, aged between 16 and 25, have been recruited and trained to become 'Young Ambassadors' for their localities. The

young people commit to work 20 hours a month (for which they are paid) on a Well London project. They have the opportunity to gain qualifications for their work, delivered by YouthForce and accredited by the Open College Network.

www.london.gov.uk/welllondon/

Torch Relay at 2012 Games

Young Londoners will be torch bearers in the high-profile torch relay that will take place at the commencement of the 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games. London schools and community groups will be involved in putting on events and activities to celebrate the passing of the torch.

A good start in life

Childcare Affordability Programme

Under the current phase of the programme (CAPO9), two further pilots will be run and funded by the LDA to enable up to 1,400 parents over two years to enter and sustain employment. The two pilots operate on an outcomes-based funding model and are as follows:

- Parental support offer: pilot to operate in three London boroughs, to test whether a new model of support to address accessibility, complexity and flexibility (of childcare) can help parents move into sustained work, using an outcomes-based funding model.
- Subsidised offer: pilot to operate in five other London boroughs to test whether additional supply-side subsidy on top of tax credits (and other funding sources) enables employment by increasing affordability of childcare. It will test if a less constrained funding will incentivise London boroughs and providers to offer more flexible childcare provision.

<http://www.lda.gov.uk/projects/cap-09/index.aspx>

London Child Poverty Commission (LCPC)

Some of the key achievements during the life of the LCPC (2006-10), since its establishment by the Mayor and London Councils:

- The LCPC has received all-party support for its work and objectives. Actions to tackle child poverty in London have been mainstreamed into many policies and strategies, including the Mayor's Economic Development Strategy and Economic Recovery Action Plan.

- In 2007, the extra child poverty challenges in London were recognised for the first time in the Budget, with an increase in the rate of in-work credit (from £40 to £60 per week) for lone parents in the capital.
- The LCPC's report *Capital Gains* was cited in the 2008 Budget, with a commitment to take forward specific recommendations on supporting parents into and in employment, and to support the strategic work of the London Skills and Employment Board. This work was taken forward through a Ministerial Delivery Group on Child Poverty.
- In partnership with Government Office for London and London Councils, LCPC has influenced and supported London boroughs to develop child poverty strategies and adopt child poverty indicators in their Local Area Agreements.

www.londonchildpoverty.org.uk/

Mayor's London Plan

Policy 3.19 of the London Plan states that 'The Mayor will support provision of early years, primary and secondary school and further and higher education facilities adequate to meet the demands of a growing and changing population and to enable greater educational choice, particularly in parts of London with poor educational performance.' Those developments which address the current projected shortage of primary school places will be particularly encouraged.

www.london.gov.uk/shaping-london/london-plan/docs/chapter3.pdf

Housing

The GLA Act 2007 gives the Mayor responsibility for preparing a statutory London Housing Strategy, which was published in February 2010. The Strategy responds to London's housing needs including the unacceptable level of overcrowding in the capital - a level that has risen by a third over the last decade to 207,000 overcrowded households. Overcrowding can have an adverse impact on the social, health and educational outcomes of children and young people in those households, therefore the strategy sets out the Mayor's commitment to halve severe overcrowding in the social rented sector by 2016. The Strategy also commits to deliver 50,000 more affordable homes, and within this new supply sets targets to increase the provision of family size accommodation. www.london.gov.uk/publication/london-housing-strategy

Family and early intervention support

You're Welcome

The original pilot of the Peer Outreach Workers team's work on 'You're Welcome' (2008-09) was to develop a toolkit and train young people in seven London boroughs to make local health provision more accessible for young people, and it formed part of the Department of Health's wider 'You're Welcome Quality Criteria'. DH and Government Office for London subsequently commissioned a second phase of the project. In the second phase, POWs trained young Londoners from every borough to assess local health services for their accessibility to children and young people. This involved working with the local PCTs and youth services on improvements building on good practice that they have identified.

Mayor's Scholars

The GLA has organised two pan-London careers and training events (in January and July 2010) for children in care aged 13 and over, in collaboration with Action for Children and Barnardo's. The objectives were to help raise their educational aspirations, help them think about their future and signpost them to positive activities. Alongside was a multi-agency seminar programme (April – July 2010) by the GLA and Voice focusing on different issues that affect support to children in care. A key outcome was to raise teachers', social workers' and other professionals' expectations of London's children in care.

www.london.gov.uk/priorities/young-people/education-training

Stephen Lawrence Centre: Youth Creativity and Urban Design

The Youth Creativity and Urban Design Project, funded by the LDA, has three main themes: addressing the cause of youth dissatisfaction and educational achievement; investing in tomorrow's workforce; and promoting equality, diversity and sustainability. The delivery period for the current project is autumn 2007 to March 2011. An impact evaluation of the project is being undertaken in 2010-11.

Choice

This website is Greater London's e-prospectus for courses for 14 to 19 year olds, and includes online careers advice tools such as career information, pathway planning tools and a self-assessment quiz to show personal career options. Choice has up-to-date details for colleges, sixth forms and training course for

young people aged 16 to 19, with courses for year 10 and year 11 for many boroughs. Young people can also view over 1,000 live job and apprenticeship vacancies for young people. The GLA helped to establish the site and continues to support its development. Choice links to the London Connexions websites and to the Mayor's graduate jobs website.

<https://mychoicelondon.co.uk>

2012 Education Delivery Plan

A range of school-based, informal and community education and employment-linked and post-school initiatives have come on stream through the Objective 3.2.4 of the 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games – to 'maximise social benefits including in health, education and volunteering of hosting the Games'. Examples include Fairbridge's NEET group engagement into training and work. Working with 80 young people NEET, 37 individuals gained employment, five went onto apprenticeships and two into volunteering. The Geographical Association/AGTA distributed DVDs to 5,669 schools, colleges and higher education tutors. A community geographer was also appointed to work in the five host boroughs on creating resources for the geographical community.

Schools Safety and Cohesion Programme

The GLA and Met Police are key partners for schools in this legacy project of the London Youth Crime Prevention Board. The programme – with an optional award element – produces a safety and cohesion framework for schools to fill out and produce their own self-assessment and action plan. Closely aligned with Ofsted's self-

assessment framework, it offers a wide ranging tool for all dimensions of safety and well-being factors. It was piloted in a number of London schools and PRU in 2008, and there is now a process of roll out from 2009-10.

Growing Against Gangs (MPS)

This curriculum-based project is designed to address and challenge the attitudes, values and beliefs that support offending behaviour, and is aimed at young people in their transition Year 6-7. Delivery is by a trained educationalist (teacher or youth worker) together with Metropolitan Police Officers from local Safer Neighbourhoods as well as key Special Crime and Central Operations MPS Units. Sessions include myths and realities of gangs; gun and knife crime; anger management and conflict resolution; bullies, bystanders and allies; and signposting positive activities and setting attainable personal goals.

www.lambethsummerprojects.co.uk/gangs_initiative.html

Young Crossrail scheme

Crossrail has developed a major programme to work with all schools within one mile of the Crossrail route: 464 primary and 215 secondary schools. All programme activities are rooted in student curriculum studies and support teachers' delivery of government education objectives. For example, Crossrail delivers a series of 'Young Gifted & Talented' curriculum courses, to support the brightest young learners and based around the latest Crossrail project developments.

www.youngcrossrail.co.uk

Healthy living, sport and culture

London Food Board

One of the Board's projects which has an impact upon children and young people is Good Food on the Public Plate. This programme works with suppliers and caterers to source and provide healthy, sustainable food for the public sector. It trains public sector caterers on healthy eating, nutrition, sourcing sustainable food and ensuring that food preparation and cooking are conducted to the highest possible standards for school children, hospital patients, prisoners, the homeless and the elderly. These projects are run by Sustain and the Greenwich Cooperative Development Agency.

www.london.gov.uk/priorities/environment/urban-space/growing-food

London Sustainable Development Commission

There is an array of projects taking place in 2010-11 through The London Leaders programme, including offering climate change educational materials to London schools (Project Genie); recognising young people who have taken a lead on sustainability in their communities (Envision); and delivering cooking and healthy eating training to children in schools across London (Happy Kitchen).

www.londonsdc.org/

Well London programme

Well London is a five-year, Big Lottery Fund financed programme (£9.46 million) delivered by the London Health Commission and other partners. It aims to increase rates of physical activity and healthy eating, support culture and creativity, improve open spaces and promote positive mental well being in 20 of

London's most deprived communities through community-led projects. Young people said they wanted physical activities and sports, arts activities including music and dance, vocational skills, and somewhere to 'hang out'. As a result, young people across London have now been involved in a wide range of Well London activities from film-making and food-growing to dance and sport.

www.london.gov.uk/welllondon/

Children's free visits to ZSL London Zoo

The Mayor funds free visits to ZSL London Zoo for state schools in the capital, and subsidises the Zoological Society of London's new Outreach programme to schools. The latter is designed to teach children about environmental issues, biodiversity and endangered species, in their own neighbourhoods as well as in the wider world. Over 24,000 pupils from schools in 13 local authorities took part in this initiative during 2009, with even greater numbers expected to have experienced the benefits of the scheme in 2009-10.

www.zsl.org/education/schools/

London Film Day

In March 2010 the Mayor of London presented the very first London Film Day, with the World Public Premiere of Nanny McPhee and the Big Bang, at 15 cinemas across London. Children were charged just £1 to attend the film, and young film fans and families were also given the opportunity to take part in free film-making and animation workshops at each of the participating venues.

www.bfi.org.uk/londonfilmday.html

Promoting good transitions to adulthood

Mayor's Youth Offer

The larger share of Mayor's Youth Offer funding was for 33 projects delivered by the London boroughs, and this came to an end in March 2010 after two years of LDA investment in these projects. £14 million was invested across all London boroughs to support young people aged eight to 19 (25 for those who are disabled) on projects to deliver preventative support and promote positive opportunities for social, educational, emotional and economic development. The programme is currently being evaluated.

Mayor's Graduate Website

100,000 graduates were expected to enter the London labour market in 2009 and half of these student job hunters reported that they had little confidence that they would find a graduate position. Launched in July 2009, the Mayor's Graduate Website enables graduates to identify careers options and search for jobs across London. The site had 4,000 visits in its first three weeks. The Careers Group, University of London, administer the site on behalf of the Mayor.

www.london.gov.uk/graduates/

LDA Apprenticeship investment

The LDA is investing £600,000 in the London Apprenticeship Company, as the first UK trial of a Group Training Scheme, which has successfully supported small and medium-sized businesses to take on apprentices in Australia for a number of years. Young people, as well as adults, will be key beneficiaries.

TfL Training Investment

In February 2010, the Mayor launched a new Transport for London training scheme targeting 15 to 19 year-old NEETs from across London. To date 61 young people have attended the training programme at the London Transport Museum, 94 per cent of whom completed the course. Twenty-five per cent have already successfully secured either a job or a job placement through the scheme, including eight who were offered apprenticeships with Serco on the Barclays Cycle Hire scheme.

www.londonapprenticeship.co.uk/

LFB Apprenticeships

As part of the wider GLA commitment to young people, the London Fire Brigade has introduced a business administration apprenticeship scheme in 2010. The scheme will be running for a period of 12 to 18 months, with rotations in different departments for three to six months' duration. The content of the programme will be exclusively office-based, working towards an NVQ Level II qualification in Business Administration.

London Education Partnership Awards (LEPA)

The LEP Awards were established to reward excellence and outstanding practice by London schools, sixth form and further education colleges and higher education institutions in attracting London's young people and adults into higher education. The Mayor has provided a three year sponsorship to LEPA (2008-10) in the category 'For outstanding institutional and cross-sector partnership practice and achievement of impact'. The 2010 winner in this category is Into University.

www.lepawards.org.uk/

Acting on the best evidence of effectiveness

GLA Peer Outreach Workers evaluation

An evaluation of the Peer Outreach Workers team made a compelling case for the value of participation initiatives with young people, and building young people-led projects into the GLA group and other agencies' work in London.

www.london.gov.uk/priorities/young-people/engaging-young-people/peer-outreach-team

Well London evaluation

As part of the London Health Commission Well London programme evaluation by the University of East London, a children and adolescent survey will take place alongside the adult surveys in 20 intervention and 20 comparison areas. The aim is to assess the specific impact of Well London on pre- and post-pubescent adolescents through questions on standard measures of activity, diet, well being, health, and creative activities, and this will include a focus on the child's emotional-behavioural outcomes to be filled out by his or her caregiver.

www.london.gov.uk/welllondon/

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Vietnamese

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Greek

Αν θέλετε να αποκτήσετε αντίγραφο του παρόντος εγγράφου στη δική σας γλώσσα, παρακαλείστε να επικοινωνήσετε τηλεφωνικά στον αριθμό αυτό ή ταχυδρομικά στην παρακάτω διεύθυνση.

Turkish

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Punjabi

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Hindi

यदि आप इस दस्तावेज की प्रति अपनी भाषा में चाहते हैं, तो कृपया निम्नलिखित नंबर पर फोन करें अथवा नीचे दिये गये पते पर संपर्क करें

Bengali

আপনি যদি আপনার ভাষায় এই দলিলের প্রতিলিপি (কপি) চান, তা হলে নীচের ফোন নম্বরে বা ঠিকানায় অনুগ্রহ করে যোগাযোগ করুন।

Urdu

اگر آپ اس دستاویز کی نقل اپنی زبان میں چاہتے ہیں، تو براہ کرم نیچے دئے گئے نمبر پر فون کریں یا دیئے گئے پتے پر رابطہ کریں

Arabic

إذا أردت نسخة من هذه الوثيقة بلغتك، يرجى الاتصال برقم الهاتف أو مراسلة العنوان أدناه

Gujarati

જો તમને આ દસ્તાવેજની નકલ તમારી ભાષામાં જોઈતી હોય તો, કૃપા કરી આપેલ નંબર ઉપર ફોન કરો અથવા નીચેના સરનામે સંપર્ક સાધો.