

<b>Meeting</b>	Full Council – April, 2021
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<b>Report Title</b>	Youth Development Update
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### Officers' Recommendations

1. To proceed with the partnership working and delivery of youth activity events with Allstarz Community Football, to deliver three youth football workshops in May 2021.
2. To proceed with the partnership working and delivery of a youth activity workshop with BEST Charity on Friday 4 June 2021.
3. To note the extension of the Youth Worker's current contract (ends June) for a further period of 12 weeks to continue with the summer delivery of events. Budget is available.

### Youth Engagement Event Update

Under the guidance of senior officers, the Council's Youth Worker continues to build engagement with younger residents through regular visits to the Skate Park and other play areas within the parish. Since the refurbishment of the Skate Park and KGV, these locations appear to be popular youth hubs and the presence of the Youth Worker has been useful to build relationships.

As COVID restrictions are easing the following upcoming projects are designed to build engagement and communication with our younger residents:

1. **Community Sunflower Growing Competition:** #thegreathaydonwickgrowoff is targeted at every age range within the community.
2. **TikTok Challenge:** online safety guidance to parents to run alongside.
3. **Haydon Wick Rock Painting:** OUR volunteer community artist (Marilyn Trew) IS assisting us to deliver groups of 12 children re-painting the Covid-19 snake that was built outside Heaton Close Play Area.
4. **May Kickabout Madness:** Haydon Wick based football coaching business. 3 x football skills taster sessions to be delivered in partnership, with the community 'arm' or the organization. The community arm of the Allstarz organization will provide equipment, coach, facilitator and assistant times free of charge for the May project. HWPC Youth Worker will attend to assist and build connections with the youth attending.
5. **Be a Better You (BEST) Partnership Taster Session:** Swindon based charity that mentors young adults in Swindon requiring support and assistance. A taster session will be set-up, providing 25 young adults in the Haydon Wick community the opportunity to learn new skills such as: kickboxing, circuit training and boxing.



A venue is required for this event – schools have been contacted and the Haydon Wick Centre. All other equipment will be provided free of charge by the charity, including all facilitators and trainers.

Each of the above events has been designed specifically to target different age ranges within the youth sector of our community, to start building communication and engagement.

Partnership working enables the Council to build valuable networks, sustainable event delivery and produce events that would otherwise be cost prohibitive. A considered and balanced approach is made in relation to marketing/ partnership promotion. Working collaboratively benefits the organisations involved in delivery, and the youths of the parish.

### Programme of upcoming youth events

APRIL	EVENT	AGE	NUMBERS	LOCATION	COST	NOTES
W/C 19	Sunflower Community Competition	All	Unlimited	Council Offices	Staff time & materials	
W/C 26	Rock Painting	4 – 12	12	Council Offices	Staff time & materials	
MAY	EVENT	AGE	NUMBERS	LOCATION	COST	NOTES
W/C 10	May Kickabout Madness	7 – 11yrs	35 +	Trent Road	Youth Worker time	Community Group providing equipment, coach time and facilitator time FOC
W/C 17	May Kickabout Madness	7 – 11yrs	35 +	Trent Road	Youth Worker time	As above
W/C 24	May Kickabout Madness	7 – 11yrs	35 +	Trent Road	Youth Worker time	As above
W/C 31	BEST	11 – 16 yrs	25	TBC	Youth Worker time & possible venue hire (in negotiation). Budget 402 / 4320	5 coaches x inc



Feedback is being received following each event, site visit and via our social media platforms. New ideas are coming into fruition as the area of Youth Development is growing. Councillors are asked to keep sharing ideas so that these can be reviewed and implemented, please send ideas to [events@haydonwick.gov.uk](mailto:events@haydonwick.gov.uk)

### **Funding Update**

A total of £7,500 has been made available for funding the position of a Youth Worker, and the development of youth engagement activities within the Parish. This amount is made up of:

1. £5,000.00 from the Discretionary Coronavirus Grant Fund
2. £2,500.00 from successful external funding application, Wiltshire Grant Fund

Further grant applications are being made by the Community Development Officer. It is hoped we can secure additional funding for a series of summer activity sessions within the Parish. These sessions would include weekly sport sessions – to develop and build skills such as: confidence, resilience, leadership skills and communication skills.

### **Budget Update**

As of May 2021 there is approximately £5,000 of budget remaining. Our fixed term youth worker's contract will be extended in June for another 12 weeks to the end of August. Youth activities beyond this date will require additional funding to be able to continue.

### **Partnerships**

HWPC attendance and input with the Swindon Partnership Network: a formation of a Swindon-wide network which maps young people and the services they may need. The group concentrates on working towards a more resilient community through increased community work and youth work. As HWPC continues to build networks within this area of development, our understanding of youth concerns within the area increases which feeds into our overall youth development program.

Other partnerships: SMASH, Inner Flame, Swindon Music Service, Wiltshire Police.