



The Hangleton
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YOUTH WISE EVENT

25 October 2023

Creating a 21st Century Youth Service

INTRODUCTION

YOUTH WISE - 25 OCTOBER 2023

On 25 Oct 2023, youth groups from across the city came together for the quarterly Youth Wise meeting, with the shared intention of creating a vision for a 21st Century Youth Service - hosted and facilitated by the Hangleton and Knoll Project; one of the commissioned youth services by Brighton and Hove City Council. 26 young people, youth workers and councillors explored ideas on what was working at present, what they disliked, and what they would like to see in the future.

Attending were: Hangleton and Knoll, Allsorts, Amaze, TDC, Tracie James representing Youth Participation, and Cllr Tobias Sheard and Cllr Chandri Mistry representing Brighton and Hove Council.

Mixing 21st-century technology with hands-on crafting, opinions, and ideas were explored and gathered via live polls, leading to tangible expressions of a shared vision through their artwork.

Key themes discussed were:

What do you Enjoy most about your youth club?
Is there anything you don't like?
How would you rate what is currently offered?
What would a 21st Century Youth Club look like?
Would you like to see more young people only spaces?
What places, opportunities, facilities, people would you like to see?
What is important to you?

The National Youth Agencies Hear by Right quality of standards framework was explored:

- **Shared values**
- **Strategies**
- **Structures**
- **Systems**
- **Staff**
- **Skills and knowledge**
- **Style of leadership.**

The young people who attended Youth Wise would like to continue the conversation with the policymakers and decision-makers of Brighton and Hove City Council to create a shared vision for a 21st Century Youth Service. Any thoughts or suggestions can be sent to:

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What do you enjoy most about attending your youth clubs (Send a word or phrase, and vote to make words bigger)



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A safe area to relax

No judgement
between people

it is good to socialise
and see people who you
haven't seen for a long
time

there is a variety
of games and
activities to do

Fun and relaxing
fun activities

Support

Social is importan

Make more
friends

the staff are friendly
and fun

FRIENDS

activities like
Albion in the
community and
zumba are great

we get a say in
what we want to do

Being with
people

Acceptance

Everyone is so nice

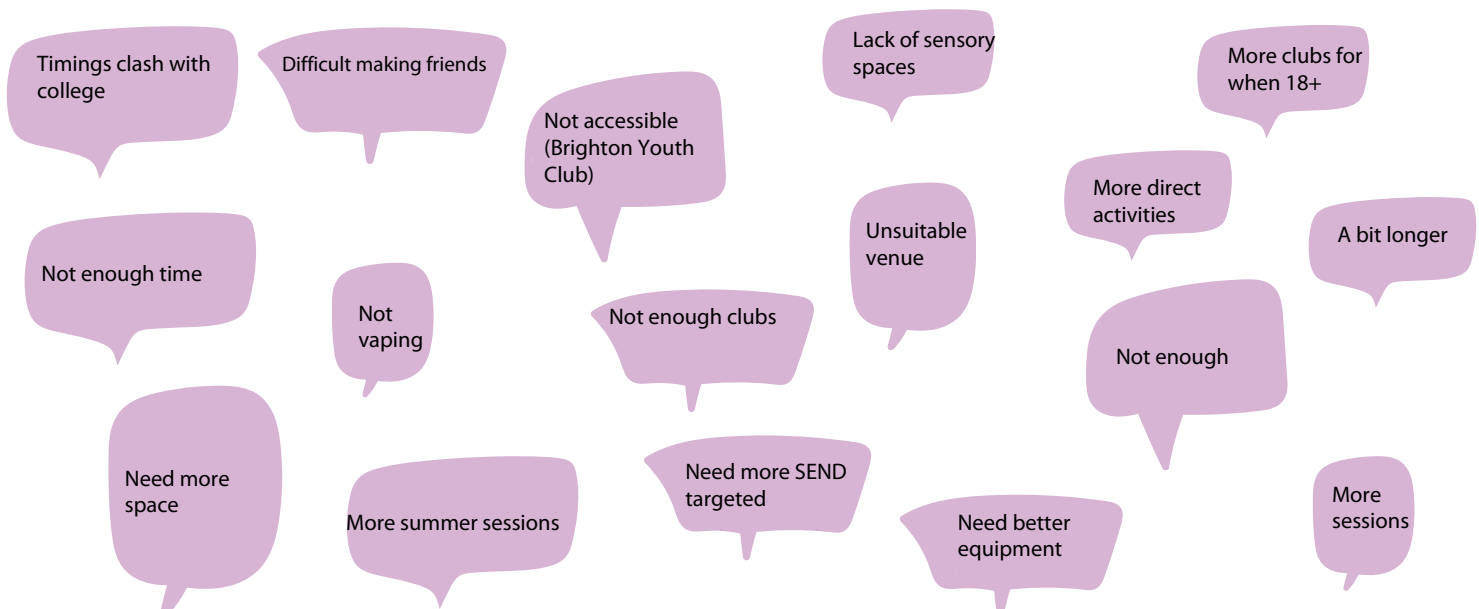
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- Get to make new friends
- Socialising
- we get to go on trips to places we want to go
- learning how to get along with other people
- Music
- Make friends
- It's a safe social space
- i get to help staff at the club or volunteer at other clubs
- if i'm having a bad day going to club makes me feel better
- we get to try new things
- a place where we belong and fit in
- Community
- Joining in activities
- It's a safe social space
- Inclusive environment
- You can have your own space to be around people but just chill
- if i've had a bad day i can talk to the staff

Is there anything you don't like about your club or the Brighton and Hove youth service? What should be different? What needs to change



SLIDES



- Lack of sensory spaces – dimmed lighting, or sensory lights
- Youth clubs are closed on weekends
- Some people sneakily vape inside
- Need more SEND targetted youth clubs
- It can be difficult to be included if people already have a friendship group
- Timings sometimes clash with college timings (if sessions start a little later it will be easier)
- Sometimes there is loud noise and if there isn't a building built for purpose as a youth center there may not be a breakout space for quiet time
- Lack of purpose built youth centres
- Need more SEND targeted youth clubs

4 - Rate your experience of your what is offered in Brighton and Hove

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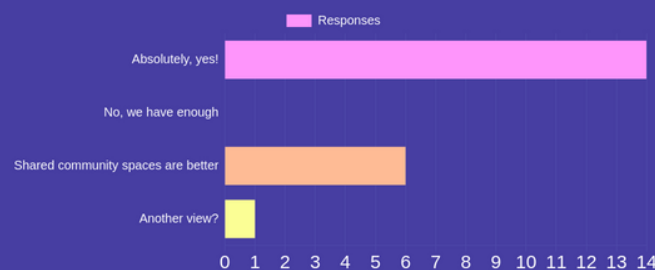


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Poll 2 - horizontal bar chart. Would you like to see more spaces specifically for young people?

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What would a 21st Century Youth Club Look Like? What places, opportunities, facilities, people would you like to see? What's important to you?



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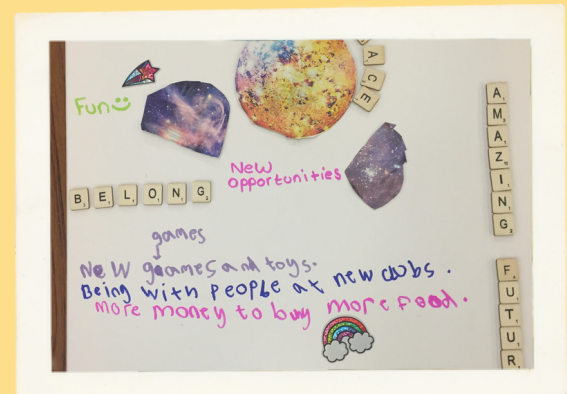
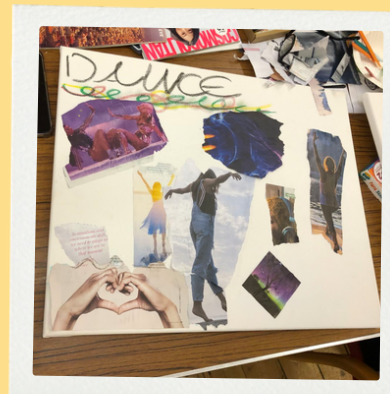
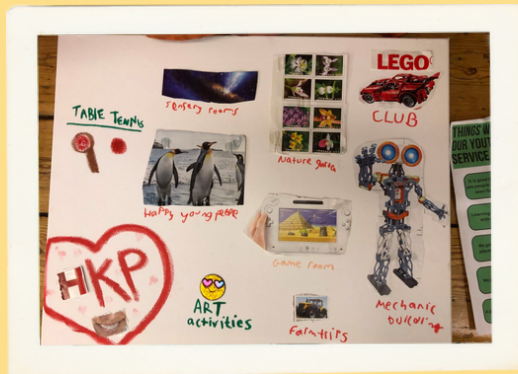
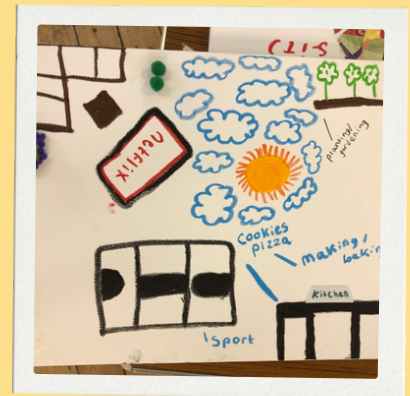
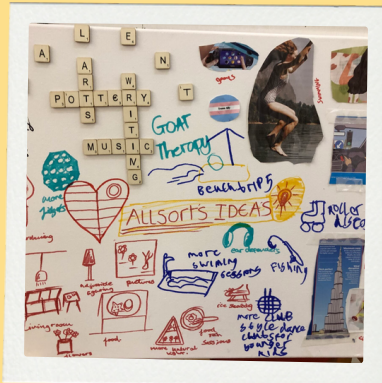
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- Sensory room
- Really fun activities
- Food
- Routine
- Spaces for professionals

- Socialise
- Connected to community
- A place to hang out
- A chance to be yourself

Ideas developed from the crafting of vision boards



Swimming lessons
Living Room
Adjustable lighting
More natural light pictures
more club style music events for younger kids
Clean
GO BIG!
Arts, pottery, writing, music
Goat therapy
Beach trips
roller disco
Netflix
Food
Real plants/gardening

Sports
Kitchen / making / baking
Planting/gardening
Fishing
Equine therapy
More fidgets
Gardening
Fun
Belong
new opportunities
New games and toys
Being with people at new clubs
More money to buy more food
Happy young people
Sports
Sensory rooms

Table Tennis
Art Activities
Farm trips
Mechanic building
Game room
Nature garden
Sensory Room
Lego Club
Dance - different styles
Emotions
Free
Family
Feelings
Therapy Animals
Breathing, mental health
Therapy

Thank you to everyone who contributed, came and participated