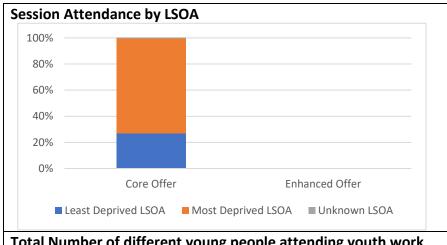
Appendix 4 – Core Youth Work Monitoring Report The vision for Youth Work in Leeds – 'Making Connections' Report

Area	Outer East
Core Offer Team Leader	Glen O'Malley
Enhanced Offer Delivery	
Partner	
Date of Report	April to June 2023



Indicators	Last	This	Comments
	report	quarter	
TOTAL NUMBER OF SESSIONS: 181 Total Number of Youth Work Hours: 567 hours			Overall the Youth Service Outer East Core Team delivered 181 Youth Work sessions between April and June 2023. This enabled young people to participate in a range of educational and diversionary programmes which contributed to the reduction of Anti-Social Behaviour in the Outer East Area. Overall engagement levels in the Core Youth Work programmes were 498 known young people and 116 Unknown young people. New Youth Work sessions have been created in Temple Newsam Ward. Core Youth Work sessions have focused on various issue based work such as Weapons Awareness, Water Safety, Pride Month, Ramadan and EID, Gypsy Roma Traveller history month exam stress & revision techniques, grief and bereavement discussions, making wands on Harry Potter day! celebrating the Kings coronation, St Georges day, and inviting Leeds culture 2023 to deliver a fantastic art session.



<u>310</u> young people from the Most Deprived (LSOA) areas engaged in Core Youth Work Sessions during April to June 2023.

<u>188</u> young people from the Least Deprived (LSOA) area engaged in Core Youth Work Sessions during April to June 2023.

Total Number of different young people attending youth work provision from each ward

	Known YP	Unknown YP	
Outer East			
CROSSGATES & WHINMOOR	206	30	
GARFORTH & SWILLINGTON	91	31	
KIPPAX & METHLEY	119	24	
TEMPLE NEWSAM	82	31	
	498	116	

The numbers detailed for each ward are concerning, the number reflect only the young people living & attending Core Youth Work provision within the ward they live and within the ward the provision takes place at (they must be the same).

If a young person from Middleton attended a provision in Crossgates & Whinmoor ward they are not counted.

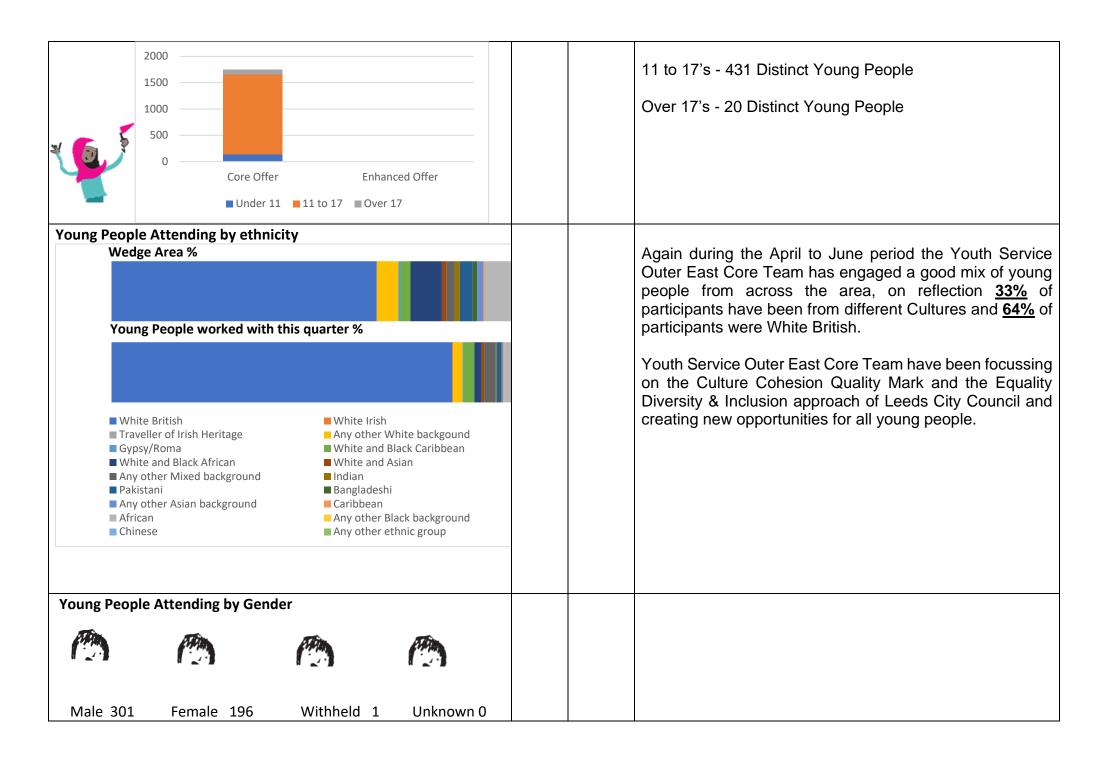
The distinct attendance for the whole of the Outer East area for April to June 2023 was <u>698</u> young people. The number for the wards combined comes in at <u>498</u> young people.

The overall attendance in sessions delivered by the Youth Service Outer East Core Youth Work Team during the April to June period is <u>4731</u> young people.

Young People Attending by Age

The target age group for the Youth Service Outer East Core team is aged 11 to 17 years of age, during the April to June period the following level of young people engaged:

Under 11's - 47 Distinct Young People



*We recognise how young people choose to identify may not be reflected above. These categories are the options available in Core+ and for DFE data purposes on statutory reporting for Local Authorities. We are actively looking at improving the way in which we record gender and identity.	
Young People who have shared they have a disability, accessing provision C&YP with disability 1 C&YP with no disability 497 Not known 0	Members at Garforth Kicks and Kippax Kicks who have Autism have settled into the informal style of the session. They are aware they can walk off the pitch at any time to manage their own feelings / behaviour. They really like the informal approach and the acceptance of everyone at the sessions.
Young People who have shared they have Caring responsibilties	
Carer 1 No Carer 497 Unknown	

Sessions by Priorities			
P = Primary & S = Secondary issues Raised	<u>P</u>	<u>S</u>	
Help children & parents to live in safe, supportive & loving families	0	12	
Ensure the most vulnerable are protected	2	14	
Support families to give children the best start in life	0	7	
Increase the number of children & young people participating & engaging in learning		42	
Improve achievement & attainment for all	2	10	
Improve at a faster rate educational progress for children & young people vulnerable to poor learning outcomes	0	2	
Improve achievement and close achievement gaps	0	1	
Improve Outcomes for children and young people with SEN and/or disability	2	18	
Improve social, emotional and mental health & wellbeing	41	65	
function Encourage physical activity and healthy eating	25	58	
Support young people to make good choices and minimise risk-taking behaviours	7	38	
Promote Sexual Health	8	26	
Minimise the misuse of drugs, alcohol and tobacco	5	31	
Reduce crime and anti-social behaviour	46	65	
Help young people into adulthood, to develop life skills and be ready for work	4	18	
Improve access to affordable, safe and reliable connected transport for young people	0	0	
	161	407	

During the April to June reporting period the way in which session priorities are recorded has been updated, each session will have only one core priority detailed. It is important that all the issues addressed within sessions are reported upon.

The main priority during the April to June period was "Reducing Crime & Anti-Social Behaviour (46 key priority sessions, overall, 111 sessions) focussed on the issue.

The second priority addressed during the April to June period was "Improve social, emotional and mental health & wellbeing (41 key priority sessions, overall, 106 sessions) focussed on the issue.

The third priority addressed during the April to June 2023 period was "Encourage physical activity and healthy eating" (25 key priority sessions, overall, 83 sessions) focussed on the issue.

Safeguarding / Early Help - 3



Youth Workers from the Outer East Core Team have been providing support to young people who have been referred to cluster via schools or mind mate. Youth Workers have made contact and encouraged young people to attend local groups and get involved in the positive activities. Youth Workers also provide support to young people who are struggling with some aspects of their lives. Youth Workers have also been able to provide information to parents and carers around local groups and activities.

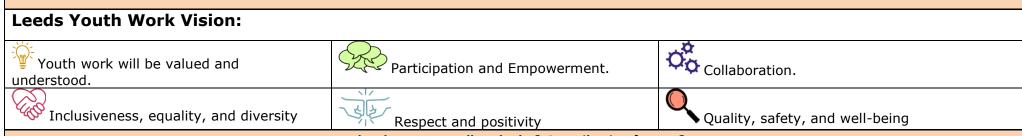
The Core Youth Work team has continued to provide young people with access to free food during regular Youth Work sessions. Many young people are attending sessions and indicating they are hungry, Youth Workers now offer fruit, toast, soup, rice based meals & pizza's during the sessions. This has also given youth workers the opportunity to deliver sessions on budgeting, food hygiene and cooking. Core Youth Workers have also been supporting young people who have indicated their families are struggling financially, sometimes free sessions, reduced price trips and support with clothing.

Core Youth Workers have been attending and supporting families as part of the early help meetings, the partnership approach with schools and partner agencies enables families to receive the correct level of support from the correct agency.

Core Youth Workers have been working with local Police regards a young person who absconds from home on a weekend, Youth Workers are focussing on reasons, where they go to and looking at conflict management techniques.

Youth Workers from the Outer East Core Team have been working in partnership with Early Help, Social Worker, Teachers and Family to support a young person to re access school. The young person has experienced

	personal issues and been subjected to bullying, working together the young person has been able to access local Youth Work provision building relationships, confidence and minimising social isolation.
Evidence of young people's involvement	Working in partnership with Outer East Community Committee and Safer Leeds, the Core Youth Work Team has engaged young people in having their say via consultations and surveys. Young people have been encouraged to have a voice and complete surveys such as the Leeds City Centre women's say, Community Cohesion and the Child friendly Leeds City centre surveys. Young people from across the Outer East Core provision have been discussing ideas for the summer 2023 holiday programme. The young people produced some new ideas of Bake-Off competitions and a masquerade ball! Of course, theme parks were the number one choice. Core Youth Workers are currently busy planning the programme in the run up to the summer holidays.



What has gone well and why? Contributing factors?

Progress on priorities from last Quarterly report:

Youth Service Outer East Core Team has now recruited Youth Worker in Training, this has enabled the programme in the Outer East area to increase, overall four new Youth Work sessions have been created.

The replacement of three Mobile Units across the city has now progressed and the formal order has been submitted for the new vehicles.

Funding applications for school holiday diversionary programmes have been submitted and in total Outer East has secured, funding to offer a diversionary programme during the holiday periods, the local Youth Matters groups have been working with Core Youth Workers to identify what activities will be offered during the Summer holidays.

The increase in sessions has seen three additional outdoor sessions available for young people across the SSE area, this has been developed in partnership with Leeds United Foundation.

New members have been identified for the Youth Matters sessions and the young people are looking to join following information sessions and conclusion of holiday programme.

Water Safety Work has been enhanced across the Core Youth Work sessions and on the social media accounts, the passing of another young person has resulted in the need for extra work to be focussed upon.

Youth work will be valued and understood:

Water Safety Work has been undertaken by Core Youth Work sessions during the weekly sessions, recent spikes in weather conditions have seen a number of locations having groups of young people congregate and swimming in open water. In Outer East a sixteen year-old young person lost their life after swimming in open water. Youth Workers have engaged with Yorkshire Water, Fire Service and St Aidan's Nature Reserve to offer information around water safety. One of the key concerns was the level of substance use whilst young people accessing the water.









Youth Service Outer East Core Youth Workers have continued to offer access to the C-card project, during April to June two new sessions have been created enabling young people to register for the scheme, pick up from local access points / groups to promote responsibility & safe sexual health, Core Youth Workers are also working in partnership with Leeds Health to best deliver an effective service to young people. Lots of discussions have been had around sexual health as Youth Workers have seen an increase in the need for the 3 in 1 service as well as young people showing sexualised behaviour and inappropriateness. Young people have gained knowledge to help them make informed choices about their own sexual health and their bodies.

Participation and Empowerment:

Youth Service Outer East Core team engaged with local Youth Matters group to plan and deliver a diversionary programme during the Easter 2023 Holiday period, the programme offered trips to Laser-Zone, Flamingo Land and the Yorkshire Wildlife Park. These trips were, received well with many being oversubscribed. The programme also offered a themed party / disco including an easter egg hunt to allow young people to have fun in a safe environment.

The new Halton Moor Youth Matters group was established in April 2023 and is going from strength to strength, the weekly session now engages sixteen young people attending on a Wednesday at Temple Learning Academy. The young people have been engaging in various educational & fun activities including issue-based work. The group members discussed and chose a name for the group and have decided the group will be called the "The Dream Team".

Collaboration:

The partnership between Leeds United Foundation & the Core Youth Service team continues to grow, during April to June a new sessions was created in the Outer East area. The Garforth session has enabled more young people to participate in weekly sessions offering physical activity, skill development and anger management techniques. The sessions also enable Core Youth Workers to focus on reducing ASB in the areas.











Youth Service Core Offer Youth Workers have been working in partnership with local schools, Leeds NHS sexual health clinic, Local GP's, Leeds survivor Lead mental health service, Night Owl. During April to June two events were attended by the Localities team which shared information on Core Youth Work sessions, work undertaken with young people and share information on Summer holiday programmes. The engagement with partners also seen a number of young people linked into the Youth Service provisions.

British Red Cross have been working in partnership with the Core Youth Service team in delivering First aid sessions across the South, Southeast area. Young people have also been taking part in coping with changes courses also delivered in partnership with the British Red Cross.

The Safe Project worked in partnership with SSE Core Youth Workers to deliver sessions on Exploitation, Staying Safe, ASB Awareness, Online Safety, Healthy Eating & Lifestyles. The sessions enabled young people to dispel myths whilst getting factual information from qualified staff.

The group members have been discussing the issues addressed during later sessions and how they have put the information into action to protect themselves.

Yorkshire Housing have been engaging in a partnership with the Core Youth Work team to provide hygiene products for the young people who attend Swarcliffe Youth Club. Yorkshire Housing have also provided easter eggs for young people who live in the ward. Future work includes a short film about the lives of young people living in the area, young people will be taught how to use a camera and sound and editing process.









<u>Inclusiveness</u>, equality, and diversity:

Young people from the Outer East Core Youth Work provision have been engaged in consultation around Community Cohesion for Leeds City Council Safer Stronger Communities Team, the consultation focussed on local areas, what is good, what concerns they have and what makes a good neighbour.

Kings Coronation - Leading up to the king's coronation young people from across the Outer East area developed their understanding of the monarchy, young people focussed on the wealth, how the royals work, religion and family history. The young people also decorated the youth clubs in union jacks and had coronation parties where they got to experience a traditional English tea, with sandwiches and scones.









Respect and positivity:

Exam Support – Core Youth Workers have been supporting young people who were faced with their GCSE course work and exam prep. Young people have needed some confidence building work to assist them when they start to doubt what they know. Youth workers have also provided support with preparing study timetables and calming exercises to reduce stress.

Mental Health Support and guidance has been provided by Core Youth Workers to young people who have been struggling with mental health and anxiety. Individuals were supported on a one-to-one basis but a session on mental health and stress was also introduced. This used discussion and mind mapping to help young people focus on recognising stress in themselves and others, finding self-help ways to reduce stress, and increase awareness of where or how to seek support.

Quality, safety, and well-being:

Young people engaging in Core Youth Work sessions have been focussing on water safety, all Core groups focussed on the issue during drowning prevention week and this will be ongoing throughout the summer months. The drowning of a local young person was a huge shock for the community. The Youth Workers will continue to support young people and deliver work on processing grief.

Logic Park & East Leeds Orbital Road – Core Youth Workers have been focussing on the two locations as they have been identified as location that are experiencing regular Anti-Social Behaviour. Reports received vehicles been attacked at both locations with young people throwing bricks at Buses in Logic Park and young people throwing stones from bridges at ELOR. Detached teams have visited the locations, engaged with young people, challenged their behaviour, actions and where required shared information with Police & ASB team. Engagement has also been undertaken with security guards at Logic Park and local farmers at ELOR.

Weapons Awareness Sessions and information has been undertaken with young people from the Outer East area, the Core Youth Work team has seen an increase of knife crime in the area, Youth Workers have responded by delivering knife crime sessions and implementing bag searches in some youth groups. Young people have responded positively to the measures introduced and parents are pleased their children are being kept safe.

What has not gone well and why? Contributing factors?

Mobile Units continue to make delivery of some sessions difficult, the level of servicing, repairs and technical issues has seen the two of the three mobile units not been available for between five and eight weeks during this quarter. This results on detached work being undertaken and young people are less keen to engage in.

Staffing levels in some sessions continues to be a challenge, two sessions attracting in excess of seventy plus young people only have three staff available to operate the session. Management have looked at staffing resources and where possible assigned additional staff and at other times had to implement restrictions on numbers and age.

Compliments and Feedback

1 - Highways, York Road, ASB

Sandi/Deeta and Youth Services

Just to thank you all for your support down at the location, the Council and contractors were meeting on site on Monday to hand over for works to start.

I have driven past the location this evening and noted the fencing is secure on the perimeter next to York Road, so hopefully the works will progress well, and young people will be deterred from accessing the site.

Mohammed Zahir

2 - Dream Team Session - Feedback:

"I am very grateful that my child is able to access the service because it gets him out of the house to socialise and make friends"

"Very pleased that my child is able to walk to the youth club, excellent service to take part in"

3 - Easter Holiday Programme Feedback:

"Thank you so much for taking me today, I loved the red pandas!" – young person on YAF trip to Yorkshire Wildlife Park at Easter.

4 - St Aidan's Consultation:

"Thank you for letting me talk with the young people here today, I've got some great ideas to take back," – RSPB St Aidan's consultation at Methley.

5 - Garforth Academy Group Work Session:

"Thank you for helping me with my anger" - young person on the Anger Management course via Garforth Academy

6 - Leeds United Kicks Session:

"My son is autistic and is bullied at school for it, I am so happy he can just play football here without anyone taking the mickey out of him." – parent of young person at Garforth Kicks.

7 - Swarcliffe Youth Club:

I am very grateful for my child to be able to access the Youth Service as it gets him out of the house to socialise & make new friends.

What are your plans and priorities for the next quarter?

- Develop & deliver an affordable diversionary school holiday programme including Two Activity Days.
- To continue to promote the new Kicks session in the Garforth area.
- To continue promoting the LGBTQ+ sessions.
- To try new "Bake Off" competitions over the summer school holidays in response to the Outer East Community Committee survey results.
- To continue to focus on Anti-social Behaviour in hot spot areas as identified by partnerships.
- To further develop the sexual health support available to young people in the SSE area.
- To work with the young people on water safety over the summer months.
- To focus on developing an additional KICKS session in the Ullswater area of Halton Moor.

Case study title. Voice & Influence - Methley Youth Club Leeds Youth Work Vision: Youth work will be valued and understood. Participation and Empowerment. Respect and positivity Quality, safety, and well-being

What were the issues?

RSPB St Aidan's approached the Youth Service to obtain the views of local young people for their new welcome centre plans.

What did we do?

- Invited the community engagement officer to do a short presentation and consultation with the youth club members.
- Asked the young people if they would like to participate.
- Arranged for the visit in the youth club.

How did it make a difference?

Young people from Methley youth club participated in a consultation with the local RSPB St Aidan's nature park. The RSPB community engagement officer visited the club on an evening. She discussed the plans for a new welcome centre with the young people.

They were shown the proposed plans and were asked to produce suggestions for the building, improvements to the site in general and how the RSPB could improve engagement with teenage visitors.

Some brilliant ideas were discussed; from having large windows in the welcome building to view the fantastic sunsets the site has, to serving affordable healthy drinks on an evening. Another suggestion was to offer after school / evening interactive tours of the site to learn about the wildlife and habitat there.

The groups really enjoyed the discussions and appreciated that they were asked their opinions.

Hopefully we will see their ideas come to life soon!

As a thank you for the consultation, the group are going to visit St Aidan's in July to do a "Bat spotting walk" they are really looking forward to it – especially staying out late!