

Highlight Report on Consultation Groups

Service or Organisation	Dates of Meetings or Discussions	Summary of Feedback
Childrens Services including YJS	19 th July 2023 8 th August 2023 22 nd February 2024	<p>Advertisement of Braccan Walk to ensure young people can access this. Some young people still do not know how to access the centre of where this.</p> <p>Capacity within the service is limited. Universal provision is extremely limited due to staffing structure.</p> <p>YJS - Young people would like more places to go in Bracknell, particularly universal provision. The strategy sets this out, but further detail will support this.</p> <p>Opportunities to explore evening and weekend working, to provide spaces for young people.</p> <p>Enhancing Braccan Walk will support the creation of a hub for all young people in the borough, that is accessed by as many young people as possible.</p> <p>To invest further in universal youth provision to support young people across the borough.</p> <p>SEND - youth voice, need for specific activities for young people with SEND that are accessible for young people but at a time and place that allows parents/carers to drop off and collect as appropriate.</p>
Elected Member	4 th March 2024	Presentation completed, question and answer session completed.
Lexicon	24 th July 2023	<p>Future shoppers of the town and positive about the development of a strategy for young people and keen to support wherever possible.</p> <p>Braccan Walk signage is not great within the town centre and the Lexicon could support with additional signage for young people.</p> <p>Opportunities for promotion of services and activities for young people in the centre of town.</p>
Children's Services, Make Safe Team	29 th February 2024	<p>Expansion of sexual health drop in clinics within schools.</p> <p>Teaching in schools supports identification of at risk young people. There is a lot of emphasis on one to one support but not universal.</p>

		<p>Further work is required around domestic abuse, healthy relationship and sexual health. This could be delivered in group work activity.</p> <p>Online Safety is a major issue.</p> <p>Develop Braccan Walk , promote it and the offer. Need clear comms and directions to the building.</p>
Parent /Carer	<p>10th July 23 17th July 23 18th July 23 17th November 23</p>	<p>Current provision of youth activities is not always accessible and therefore do not meet the needs of all young people in the borough. Consideration to the location, venues, and timings.</p> <p>Blended offer of support to young people, that should also include specific groups and activities for young people.</p> <p>Literature and information to be available in a range of formats and in a range of places to ensure all young people and parents/carers can access this.</p>
Police	<p>7th June 23 18th October 23</p>	<p>Support for the development of a strategy that support young people to be part of groups and activities.</p>
Health	<p>12th July 23 18th October 23 19th February 24</p>	<p>The age ranges for this strategy were not clear and would be helpful to add these in.</p> <p>Young have helped produce the strategy and some have read through. Young people requested a young person friendly version post approval.</p> <p>Ensuring that School Nurses are involved in the offer to young people, and how they would access them also.</p> <p>Updated version of references for Working Together 2018 to now include 2023. <u>Working together to safeguard children 2023: statutory guidance (publishing.service.gov.uk)</u></p>
Education	<p>28th June 2023 28th February 2024</p>	<p>Two opportunities provided for education colleagues to attend focus group sessions on the youth strategy. Attendance has been low. For headteachers or designated teacher who attended include the need to provide support earlier.</p>

		<p>Provision for young people with additional needs was required, to ensure that their needs are being met along with other young people.</p> <p>Welcome attendance of TYSS and other young people's services within schools or education establishment for one-to-one and group work sessions.</p> <p>Support with assemblies on topic issues, such as drug, alcohol and sexual health.</p>
Early Help Targeted Youth Support Service	<p>4th July 23 17th July 23 18th July 23 30th August 23 29th September 23 22nd February 24 23rd February 24</p>	<p>Strategy aligns to the current work being completed within TYSS.</p> <p>Sexual health support for young people is critical, any action plan needs to ensure that both provision and marketing is youth focused. Work around consent, informed decisions also need to be a central piece of the work.</p> <p>Historically TYSS have supported schools with teaching aspects of PSHE. This also allowed TYSS to recommend universal provision and support young people who may require targeted work.</p> <p>Strengthen within the strategy the relationship within schools.</p> <p>Ensure throughout the strategy and the plan, that the focus is on the relationship with young people.</p> <p>Universal provision needs to be increased across the borough but demands of targeted work do not always allow for universal provision.</p> <p>Braccan Walk needs to be utilised further as a universal youth space for young people, resource is required.</p>
Voluntary Sector	<p>27th October 2023 28th September 23</p>	<p>Involve: "I am fully in support of the drafted youth strategy. In the coming months our charity will be setting up a Children and Young People's Steering Group for the Bracknell Forest Voluntary, Community and Social Enterprise Sector. This will be a useful document when published to support our conversations (in addition to the CYP Plan)".</p> <p>The need for a youth strategy is vital, to support all agencies and groups working in Bracknell Forest, to come together on a shared vision and objective for young people.</p>

		A focus is required on the role of a Youth Worker and their skills and knowledge, consideration of supporting more young people and adults to enter the professional.
Early Help Partnership	17 th May 23 16 th October 23 24 th November 23 2 nd March 24	Universal provision and targeted should be clear, youth groups will support young people but not all will attend. Provision should be diverse to meet all needs. Align priorities with all-aged carers strategy and young carers to ensure consistency and overlaps. Consideration of interventions to support young people at risk of harm, agreed practice resources that could be shared across the partnership.
Parish Councils	Various emails sent to all parish councils and links to surveys	Various emails shared with Parish Councils, including all survey feedbacks which have been collated as part of the overall feedback report.
Army Welfare Service	26 th January 2024	Strategy is clear and provides overarching principles that would align to some of the feedback received by young people. Young people with parents serving in the forces benefit from opportunities to meet other young people outside of the forces, universal provision is a place for this to take place. There are opportunities to work together on the youth participation and engagement agenda.
Silver Homes	19 th February 2024	Strategy will support both Silver Homes and Bracknell Forest Council TYS service to work closely together to support young people. Opportunities for joint working on priorities with young people in key areas of the borough. Commitment to work together to share information and data to support young people, delivery of services and needs/outcomes.
Young People – Targeted Youth Groups	Throughout development of strategy	Some young people did not feel that they could always be themselves in Bracknell Forest and described situations where they would 'hide' who they were as they were worried about being bullied or attacked. Creative arts groups were a consistent ask from young people, as current provision has a weekly cost attached. Genuine opportunities to engage in decision making with the council and others, rather than being asked when a decision has already been made or just about to be made.

		<p>More promotion of services for young people, there are activities, but it is not always clear what is available, when groups are on, where they take place and how much they will cost.</p> <p>There should be separate groups for different age ranges for groups operated by Bracknell Forest Targeted Youth Support Service. There should be a younger and older age range group, this will allow for appropriate conversations to take place.</p> <p>More sporting activities could be made available for young people.</p>
Young People - Detached Youth Work	Throughout development of strategy	<p>Opportunities to meet other young people to play sports such as football and hockey. Young people felt that they would be more likely to engage with a youth worker if youth workers came to spaces where they were hanging out already such as the football pitch and supported them to organise sporting games.</p> <p>More spaces to go, that are warm and safe, to meet friends and catch up.</p>
Young People - School & College Events	28 th & 29 th March 2024	<p>Raising awareness of period poverty for young people and ensure that all young people have access to period products regardless of their wealth.</p> <p>Support young people with their ambitions and future carers through job fairs and events.</p> <p>The best way to share information on the youth offer with most young people is through their education setting, and directly through key workers.</p> <p>The number of underpasses and the lack of street lighting make some young people feel unsafe.</p> <p>There should be more groups after school for young people to attend and take part in.</p> <p>Young people would like more opportunities to attend residential activities.</p>
Young People – Focus Groups & One to One	Throughout the development of strategy	<p>Some young people felt that the support they required often came too late, and it would have been more supportive if it was provided earlier. The level of support varied for different young people, but most young people valued the relationship with their allocated worker.</p> <p>Young people felt that youth groups should be separated into age ranges, to ensure that older young people can talk and discuss other things that are important to them.</p>

		<p>The strategy should be translated into easy read but only once it has been approved by the right people.</p> <p>Accessing support without the need for a referral should be made clearer.</p> <p>Bringing young people together, through sports and from different wards to play tournaments would help people get to know each other.</p> <p>Supporting young people when they leave police custody, particularly around their mental health and helping them to engage in something positive.</p> <p>Having a consistent youth worker or other adult, rather than constantly changes when support is being provided.</p>
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