



Kingston Youth Council

A voice for today. An impact on tomorrow.



Manifesto 2010-2011



Have

your say

What is KYC?

Kingston Youth Council (KYC) is a group of young people who want:

- To ensure that you and other young people are actively involved in the writing and implementation of the Children & Young People's Participation Strategy.
- To enable young people to discuss issues relevant to you as a young person living in the Royal Borough of Kingston.
- To have voice on, and influence, various committees.

What is a youth manifesto?

KYC is your representative for youth issues in the Royal Borough Kingston upon Thames. In discussion with various groups of young people from a variety of settings, KYC has produced a list of important issues that matter to the young people who live and/or go to school and socialise in the borough. This manifesto is a guide that sets out this year's action plan and campaigns.

Our professional champions are :

- Cllr. Patricia Bamford, Executive Councillor for children and young people
- Richard Dean, police
- Gillian Hall, Head of Youth Service

The role of the champions will be to promote the youth manifesto, communicate with young people and support your active involvement in creating change.

The manifesto is broken down in to different areas

- Crime and Safety
- Travel and Transport
- Positive Activities
- Better Communications with Councillors
- Bullying Issues
- Building on Better Communities

The action plan will feed into the Participation Strategy and will shape services for young people. We hope throughout the year we will be able to be the voice for all young people.



Issues raised for our manifesto in 2010/2011

Issues Raised	Actions	Outcome
<p>Bridge the Gap - Crime, Safety and Young People and Adults Young people do not know their stop and search rights, and the name of their local police officers/PCSOs. The relationship between young people and the police is broken.</p>	<p>Regular meetings with the Borough Commander and his sergeants (KCPP/IAG). Design a 'youth friendly' stop and search card which will be available to all young people in Kingston. (A launch event: police and young people).</p>	<p>Young people will have a better relationship with the local police and an improved understanding of where and how to report crime, as well as knowing their own individual rights concerning stop and search.</p>
<p>Travel and Transport A school bus route implanted in the south of the borough. Extra K1 buses around school time in the Malden Manor area.</p>	<p>Write a letter to TfL and attach a petition signed by all the secondary schools in the south of the borough.</p>	<p>A more effective bus timetable at school times.</p>
<p>Better Communications with Councillors Young people do not know the role or the names of their local councillors.</p>	<p>Shadowing scheme. Regular dialogue with KYC and the council.</p>	<p>An easier pathway/link to councillors. Young people will be able to recognise and acknowledge their local councillors and the roles they perform.</p>
<p>Anti-Bullying More awareness around bullying and ChildLine.</p>	<p>Promote ChildLine on YoungLivin' and send publicity etc. to schools.</p>	<p>Young people will have a better understanding of where they can go for help and information on bullying.</p>
<p>Building on Better Communities Young people would like regular updates on the developments of the Olympic site.</p>	<p>Publicity around 2012 to go up in and around Kingston. Link in with London Youth Games. Theme of community cohesion and 'togetherness'.</p>	<p>Building better communication links.</p>
<p>Disabled access</p>	<p>Feed into the above issues.</p>	<p>Better access for young people with disabilities.</p>

Thanks

Meet

We would like to thank all the young people from Kingston who have given their input from the numerous school forums, youth club consultations, councillors who have given their time, youth workers who helped us design and pull this all together.

We will be reviewing this document on a monthly basis making sure we are on target for you all. If you would like to be involved in any way please get in contact. We meet twice a month on a Monday in a venue in Kingston.

Please visit www.younglavin.org.uk/kyc for our latest campaigns meetings.



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