



In the Loop: Number 18

The World of Young People

Welcome to the YWU's fortnightly bulletin aiming to keep members up to date with the latest developments. This is e-mailed to staff in Local Authorities & voluntary organisations.

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Youth Work Unit News

Please accept formal notice that the **AGM of the Youth Work Unit Yorkshire and the Humber will take place on Thursday 18th October 2018: venue to be confirmed.** This will also be the date of our Annual Conference

Regional Group of Trainers meeting. This meeting is open to anyone providing Youth Work related training in the Yorkshire and Humber region. University of Huddersfield. **Wednesday 12th September:** [Book a place here for free](#)

Yorkshire & Humber News

Hull pier latest location for anti-suicide message. The ***You Are Not Alone*** project has been designed by young people aged between 12 and 22 from the city. The participants chose significant locations to them to broadcast the messages and poems hoping to break the taboo of talking about suicide: ["Hearing these messages could save my life"](#)

The surprising reason why teen pregnancies are at a record low in Grimsby. Experts have given their view on why pregnancy rate among under 18s in North East Lincolnshire is at a record low: [The rate has more than halved](#)

Here's how many child arrests were made by police in Yorkshire and the Humber last year. Each of the four police forces in Yorkshire and the Humber followed the national trend by reducing their child arrest numbers, with North Yorkshire Police recording the lowest total number: ["There were 79,012 child arrests in 2017 – equivalent to one every seven minutes"](#)

Youth Voice Yorkshire and Humber

An opportunity for young people from across the region to meet with the Sheffield City Region Mayor - Dan Jarvis MP, and John Grogan MP, to discuss **the development of *One Yorkshire*** and a Y&H Youth Voice Platform to mirror this - ensuring Young People have a voice in these new structures. **29th September** [More details](#)

Convention 2 of the UK Youth Parliament. We will be joined on the day by Paul Blomfield MP, members of the ***People's Powerhouse*** and the ***regional CiCCs*** - who will have their own programme. We will also be sharing the region's ***Make your Mark*** results, so please bring these with you: **Saturday 13th October** [Here is where you book for Convention 2](#)

Brexit – what next? An opportunity for young people from across the Y&H region to come together and discuss Brexit, get informed, have some myths busted and hear what will still be available post April 19. Key Note speaker: Paul Bloomfield MP. **Saturday 27th October:** [More details and how to book](#)

Transport: An opportunity for young people from across the region to meet with *Transport for the North* and the 64 transport providers to raise awareness of issues and find solutions. More info from: theunit@youthworkunit.com

Y&H Youth Mental Health Awareness event. An informative and interactive afternoon aimed at bringing together young people, commissioners and service providers. Young People can attend independently if they are 16 years or over. Under 16s need to be accompanied by an adult: [More details](#)

National News

Tories plan to enlist disadvantaged children as Guides and Scouts. Minister announces funds to create 5,500 extra places in uniformed youth groups: ["The government is dictating to communities how this money will be spent"](#)

Young people in China don't know the internet we do – and they like it that way. Over the past decade, China has blocked Google, Facebook, Twitter and Instagram, as well as thousands of other foreign websites, including The New York Times and Chinese Wikipedia. A plethora of Chinese websites emerged to serve the same functions: ["You won't see China letting it's citizens login to Facebook anytime soon"](#)

Church in crisis as only 2% of young adults identify as C of E. Affiliation to national religion hits record low. Seven out of 10 under-24s say they have no religion, research reveals: ["Affiliation with the C of E could become negligible with successive generations"](#)

How Young People are changing the Fashion Industry. Young consumers are asking more questions: "Who made my clothes? And how did they make them?" ["Young people are forcing brands to take a look at what they do and how they do it"](#)

Youth violence: Labour MP calls for action on 'dangerous' drill videos. More must be done to tackle music videos posted to social media sites glamorising drug dealing and murder if high levels serious youth violence are to be addressed, a Labour MP has said: [Youth violence is "fuelled by social media"](#)

Reports and Studies

Suicide rate rises among young people in England and Wales. Rate among girls aged 15-19 hits record high; rate among men of all ages in UK is falling: ["The highest number since records began in 1981"](#)

The growing popularity of vegetarianism and veganism amongst young people shows no sign of slowing down, with almost one in five (18%) of 18-24 year old believing the future will be meat free. ["Increasing concern over the effects our food shopping has on the environment"](#)

North Yorkshire Youth Commission: Final Report to the Police & Crime Commissioner. North Yorkshire Youth Commission was established in 2015 with funding from the Police and Crime Commissioner to enable young people aged 14-25 to inform decisions about policing and crime prevention in North Yorkshire: [Read the report](#)

Former runaway urges young people in care to stay safe and seek help. "Running away can often be a way that young people try to regain control of their lives when they feel that all control has been taken away." Figures from North Yorkshire County Council followed the trend and showed that all of the missing looked-after children were female: ["I used to stay in a couple of flats"](#)

Health

Sharp rise in young people overdosing on painkillers and antidepressants. Study finds the number who poisoned themselves increased fivefold during a 16-year period: ["Those who poisoned themselves were up to 32 times more likely to die by suicide within 10 years"](#)

Children Are Becoming More Unwell While Waiting To Access Treatment For Their Mental Health. 'The crisis in young people's mental health is real and it's urgent.

[76% of parents said their children's mental health had deteriorated while waiting for support from CAMHS](#)

Limit drugs prescribed to young people at risk of self-harm, GPs are told; particularly analgesics and antidepressants: ["It is important that GPs raise awareness with families"](#)

Events

The Centre for Youth Impact Gathering 2018: Impact, power and change. 18th September 2018, 9.30am-4.30pm. Resource for London (Islington). [Information available via this link](#)
Will focus on the relationship between impact, power and change. The conference aims to provide time and space for those working in the youth sector to reflect, talk openly and learn with peers, and to gather ideas that they can take back to their day to day role and use in practice.

In the Service of Youth 2018: Making Waves in Youth Work. This year's **Institute for Youth Work** annual conference is taking place in Brighton, it will be an opportunity to both celebrate Youth Work Week and our conference theme: **Coastal Youth Work**. [10th November 18 - University of Brighton](#)

Yorkshire and Humber Young People's LGBTQ+ event – Doncaster. 1st November. An opportunity for Young People from LGBT+ Youth Work Groups from across the Yorkshire and Humber region to get together and share their experiences and have fun: [Places can be book right here](#)

Public Forum for Education: "Outstanding Culture for our Children and Young People". Thursday **27th September 2018** 4.30 pm to 6.30 pm (buffet from 4 pm). Hockney Conference Room, Margaret McMillan Tower, Bradford BD1 1NN To book your place, please email: public.forum.for.education@bradford.gov.uk

Youth Work Week provides an opportunity for youth organisations, youth workers and young people to celebrate their achievements and the impact of their work. This year it will be held from **5-11 November 2018**. The theme for Youth Work Week 2018 will be: **What is Youth Work?**
[More about Youth Work Week and how you can be involved](#)

Children & Young People's Mental Health. Digital Innovations Shared Learning Event. **31 October 2018** 1pm – 4pm, Venue TBC (Leeds City Centre). Join us for an informative and interactive afternoon aimed at bringing together young people, commissioners and service providers. Details: Sarah.Smith128@nhs.net

The People's Powerhouse is a movement which exists to shape the debate around the Northern Powerhouse, to ensure that people and communities are at the heart of the Powerhouse plans, not the periphery. The 2018 Convention is to be held in Bradford on 20th November:
["Nowhere did it mention anything about people. Our aim is to change that"](#)

Involving Young People in Service Design and Evaluation. 28th September, 10:30-15:00. Gateshead. A FREE event provided by funding from the **Centre for Youth Impact**. A practical session which will focus on going 'Beyond Listening' to young people and explore in more detail the definition, drivers, models and principles that provide the context for effective youth voice within service design and evaluation:
[Full details and the booking process](#)

Supporting young people in the present, ambitious for the future. On 31st October the NYA will welcome the sector to Westminster for the NYA Youth Work Summit 2018. *"The Summit brings together youth workers, voluntary and statutory organisations, government agencies and supporters, alongside senior politicians and policy-makers: to strengthen the cause of youth work"*
[Details and access to a booking form](#)

SAYiT 2018 AGM. Thursday 25th October 2018, 6pm. Adelphi Suite, The Crucible, Sheffield, S1 1DA
info@sayit.org.uk

Blogs and Comment

Britain's shared spaces are vanishing, leaving us a nation of cliques. Austerity and technology have combined to close pubs, youth clubs and libraries up and down the country:
["The most overlooked casualties have been the hundreds of youth centres that have closed since 2010"](#)

Vacancies

The very latest **Youth Work related vacancies** in Yorkshire and the Humber: [Jobs in our region](#)

Diocese of Leeds. **Diocesan Youth Officer** – Full time. £22,000 - £25,000. **Closing date: 17th September.**
[Job description and application process](#)

Resources

West Yorkshire Survivors: A Specialist Sexual Violence-Abuse Support Service covering Bradford • Leeds • Huddersfield • Wakefield • Halifax: [Learn about - or access, the service](#)

World Mental Health Day: Sign up with *Young Minds* to say #HelloYellow on **10th October 2018** and help spread the message that young people aren't alone when it comes to mental health.
["Hello Yellow Fundraising Kits! They're full of ideas"](#)

Students in the UK have the right to obtain key information about their exam results for free says the Information Commissioner's Office. Exam boards must provide marks, examiner comments and appeals panel minutes:
["The General Data Protection Regulation gives you the right to see information held about you"](#)

If you're unemployed and looking for something new, take a look at our Prince's Trust Team programme. You'll meet new people, gain new skills and it won't cost you anything.
[About the programme](#) [Watch the movie](#)

Employment References. References are often asked for in job applications. There is usually no legal obligation to provide a reference. Employers who give references must make them fair and accurate. Employers who ask for references must handle them fairly and consistently.
[References - an ACAS guide](#)

European Exchange and Partnership Opportunities – Eurodesk

Eurodesk Opportunity finder. Find your next opportunity to travel abroad. Don't miss out. Look at the range of current opportunities for young people and for youth workers:
[Learning, volunteering, travelling and working](#)

Applications for the European Youth Capital (EYC) title 2021 are officially open! From November 2nd 2017 until January 21st 2018, cities across Europe are invited to present themselves as candidates for EYC 2021, before the eventual winner will be announced at the European Youth Forum's General Assembly in November. [Applications are officially open](#)

Time to Move – The opportunities available to young people to study, work and volunteer abroad. How will Brexit affect European Funding in the future?
[More details and how to book](#)

Stand Out in a Global Market event – Leeds. Inspiring young people to kick start their careers by gaining experience abroad. This free one-day event is open to 16-18 year olds. The events demonstrate the range of opportunities available, from vocational courses to studying or volunteering abroad:
[Wednesday 14 November in St George's Centre Leeds](#)

Consultation

Ending the sale of energy drinks to children. The government is seeking views on whether the sale of energy drinks to children should be stopped. [Respond to the consultation](#)

State of Children's Rights 2018 - Call for evidence. This call for written evidence is your opportunity to influence the content of the report:
["The report is a key advocacy tool for the voluntary sector"](#)

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