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## **Executive summary**

- This report presents the findings from the baseline survey of an evaluation of the Empowering Young People Pilots (EYPP), which aims to encourage young people to participate in positive activities.
- The survey was carried out before EYPP was implemented and the aim was to assess the
  rates of participation at baseline, in order to measure the impact of EYPP through a follow up
  survey.
- EYPP is being piloted in nine local authorities. This report shows results for each LA, and also for the overall total.
- 96% of the sample had taken part in at least one activity in the four weeks preceding the survey.
- 85% of young people had taken part in sports; 54% in performing/creative arts; 33% in learning / courses; 66% had been to the theatre/cinema; 53% had visited museums/galleries; and 32% had attended youth groups.
- Rates of participation in some activities (sports, performing/creative arts and youth groups) decreased with age.
- There were some differences between white respondents and those from black and minority ethnic groups. White respondents were more likely to visit the cinema / theatre, while BME respondents were more likely to participate in learning/courses, visit museums / galleries, and also youth groups.
- 77% of the sample reported that they would like to spend more time doing these types of activities
- 15% said that they had had some input into deciding what activities were available in their area.

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#### 1 Introduction

#### 1.1 Background and aims

The Department for Children Schools and Families (DCSF) has commissioned the National Centre for Social Research (NatCen) and the National Foundation for Educational Research (NFER) to carry out an evaluation of the Empowering Young People Pilots (EYPP).

EYPP is a project aimed at encouraging young people to take part in positive activities. It is currently being piloted in nine Local Authorities across England: Liverpool, Bolton, Sunderland, Durham, Lincolnshire, Cambridgeshire, Nottingham City, Camden and Tower Hamlets.

The project is aimed at young people, aged 13 to 17, from deprived backgrounds. They are given spending power (e.g. through virtual accounts accessed through and supervised by a youth work facilitator) to help them access a number of activities. EYPP operates differently in each of the pilot areas. For more information on EYPP in each area, see Appendix C.

The evaluation aims to explore the impact of EYPP on young people and to examine the following hypothesis:

'Empowering individual disadvantaged young people to take part in positive activities of their choice through access to spending power increases their participation in such activities and contributes to educational engagement and other beneficial outcomes.'

The evaluation consists of a before-and-after study of young people in the EYPP areas, as well as in three 'comparison areas'. The before stage consisted of a baseline postal questionnaire, sent to the young person via their parent/guardian. Those who chose to take part in this stage were asked whether they consented to being re-contacted 8-10 months later for a follow-up survey. In both stages, the young person is asked about the activities in which they take part, their attitudes towards activities, possible facilitators to participation in activities, and some background questions about themselves.

The follow-up study, which will be carried out via telephone interview, is intended to identify any changes in behaviour by young people since the baseline postal survey; particularly whether those in the EYPP areas have signed up for the scheme, and whether their participation in positive activities has increased (relative to those in the comparison areas). This will enable an 'impact assessment' of effect of EYPP.

In tandem to the quantitative outcome evaluation, the National Foundation for Educational Research (NFER) is carrying out a process evaluation, involving qualitative research. The aim of this is to develop an in-depth understanding of how EYPP operates, and the views of key stakeholders, particularly potential participants.

#### 1.2 About EYPP

The Empowering Young People Pilot (EYPP) is a £14.5 million Government initiative forming part of Aiming High for Young People (HM Treasury/DCSF, 2007). This ten-year strategy sets out to transform leisure-time opportunities, activities and support services for young people in England. The role of EYPP within the strategy is to explore further the impact that giving disadvantaged young people spending power has on reducing financial barriers and increasing participation in positive activities.

Pilot projects, running in nine local authorities (LAs), are aimed at young people in school years 9 to 12 (aged 13 to 17) who are in care and/or eligible for free schools meals (or sub-groups within this bracket). Each young person receives up to £40 per month to spend on activities such as theatre trips, sports, music, dance, drama and outdoor pursuits. Young people do not have direct access to funds, but are able to access activities, transport, or ways of using equipment using

funds paid to the provider.

Through EYPP, it is intended that young people will gain 'more control and choice' over the services available to them, and that they will be encouraged and supported in their choices. Pilot projects are using various methods (for example debit cards, web-based funding, or key workers) to overcome the financial barriers faced by young people in participating in positive activities. The pilots differ in their start-up date (from October 2007 to April 2008), but all nine run until March 2009. For more detail on EYPP in each of the nine LAs see Appendix C.

#### 1.3 An overview of the evaluation method

The outcome evaluation consists of a baseline postal survey, and then a telephone follow-up survey 8-10 months later. The survey includes a comparison sample of three LAs, as well as the nine EYPP areas. This report focuses on the EYPP areas.

The baseline postal survey was conducted between December 2007 and July 2008. Questionnaires were sent to the targeted young people in the individual pilot areas prior to the EYPP scheme launch. In the pilot areas, 15,128 cases were issued and 4,129 questionnaires were returned (a response rate of 29%).

It is, of course, likely that the survey is subject to non-response bias in that the people who returned their questionnaires are more likely than non-responders to take part in activities.

Therefore, caution should be used in treating the results as a definitive reflection on the level of activity in each of the areas. This is not a problem for the purposes of the evaluation, whose hypothesis is to test whether respondents who participate in EYPP are doing more activities than matched non-participators (who were doing similar levels of activity at baseline). If EYPP has an impact on participation then we should detect this even if we start with a slightly biased sample. So, although the potential for bias in the baseline survey may limit what we can say about the baseline findings, it does not undermine the ability to use the data to answer the main question for which it was collected, namely, does EYPP increase participation.

The comparison areas fieldwork was conducted between June and July 2008. 3072 cases were issued and 766 questionnaires were returned (a response rate of 25%).

The self-completion questionnaire focused on the following key areas:

- Demographic characteristics of the young person;
- Types of activity participated in (within 6 groups of activities: sports, performing and creative arts; courses and other learning-related activities; cinema / theatre and events; museums / galleries and places of interest; youth groups; and other activities);
- Frequency of participation;
- General feelings and attitudes to learning.

The follow-up survey will be carried out using Computer-Assisted Telephone Interviewing (CATI). This stage of the research is intended to identify any changes in behaviour by young people since the baseline postal survey.

The follow-up questionnaire will cover similar topics to the postal survey, though with a focus on awareness of, interest in, and participation in relevant EYPP schemes in pilot areas. For example, it will aim to find out whether the young people have signed up to the scheme (and if not why not).

As the postal baseline fieldwork was staggered because of the varying EYPP launch dates, so the follow-up telephone survey will be staggered so that the period between the baseline and follow-up surveys is as uniform as possible at around 8-10 months.

Within the EYPP local authorities, we will follow up all those young people who:

- Responded to the baseline postal survey;
- Consented to being re-contacted;
- Provided a telephone number for re-contact; and
- Took part in the local EYPP scheme.

Within the EYPP areas, the evaluation will also follow-up a number of young people who met the first three criteria above but who chose not to take part in the local EYPP scheme (non-participants). These will be selected to match as closely as possible those who took part in the schemes. Matching will be carried out using a number of key variables (demographic and behavioural) from the baseline questionnaire.

In the comparison areas, we will follow up a matched sample of young people. Again, these will be matched on the basis of responses to questions in the baseline survey.

The exact number of young people re-contacted for the follow-up survey will be dependent on the proportion who signed up to the schemes, but it is expected that between 2,000 and 3,000 cases will be issued.

#### 1.4 This report

This report describes results from the baseline survey which was carried out in the pilot areas between December 2007 and May 2008. It presents results, broken down by EYPP area, on:

- Characteristics (demographic, activity status, family background, attitudes and feelings) of the targeted young people
- Type of activities participated in (including characteristics of those taking part)
- How often taken part in activities
- Number of activities participated in
- Most common activities
- Facilitators of participation

Key differences between groups are highlighted in the text. Please note that statistical testing has not been carried out. However, a table showing sample sizes and percentage point differences required for statistical significance is shown, for reference, in Section 8.3.

Results from the three comparison sample areas are not covered in this report, but their data will be analysed as part of the follow-up analysis, as part of assessing the impact of EYPP.

#### 1.5 Notes

- 1 The following conventions have been used within tables:
  - no observations (zero value)
  - 0 non-zero values of less than 0.5% and thus rounded to zero
  - a used to warn of small sample bases, if the base is between 0 and 19.
  - [] used to warn of small sample bases, if the base is 20 or more but less than 50.
- Because of rounding, row or column percentages may not add exactly to 100%. In some tables percentages may not sum to 100% as more than one answer could be given.
- A percentage may be quoted in the text for a single category that aggregates two or more of the percentages shown in a table. The percentage for the single category has been

recalculated, and because of rounding may differ by one percentage point from the sum of the percentages in the table.

- The tables show the local authorities in the order of their geographical location from North to South.
- 5 The tables show both the weighted and unweighted bases. Percentages are based on the weighted base.
- Results are shown throughout this report, broken down by respondents' age, as indicated by the respondents themselves in the questionnaire. Age was also collected from the Local Authorities, before the start of fieldwork. Since this information was available for non-responders as well as responders, it was this that was used for weighting.

#### 2 Chapter: Characteristics of sample

#### 2.1 Demographic characteristics

This report uses the age information given by respondents themselves, in the questionnaire. The age and sex profile of responders (using information provided by the LAs, rather than by the respondents themselves<sup>1</sup>) is compared with that of non-responders in Section 8.2 of this report<sup>2</sup>.

Nearly all (94%) of the sample were aged 16 and under. The proportion aged 17 and over varied from 0% in Liverpool through to 15% in Camden.

There was a fairly even split between males and females (52% compared with 48%). Most of the areas had similar proportions of males and females, apart from Tower Hamlets where 72% of respondents were male.

Overall, 72% of young people were white, and 28% were from black and minority ethnic groups (BME). The proportion of BME respondents varied considerably between areas. In three of the areas (Sunderland, Durham and Lincolnshire) the figure was as low as 3-4%, in Bolton and Nottingham City it was around one in three (37% and 30% respectively), while in Camden and Tower Hamlets the majority of the sample was BME (72% and 83% respectively).

Twenty per cent of young people had a long term-illness or disability, with 12% limited by their disability and 8% not limited by it. Liverpool had the highest proportion of young people with a long term-illness or disability (28%) and Camden the lowest (13%).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Age information was provided by the LAs before the start of fieldwork, and is available for responders as well as non-responders. It was this - LA age - that was used for the weighting (see section 8.2). There was a small disparity between the two sets of age information, which is to be expected given that the self-report was collected at a later date (therefore the self-reported age profile is slightly older than the LA-provided information, see also Section 8.2, Table A3).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The profile of respondents was slightly younger than that of non-respondents (53% of respondents were aged 14 and under, compared with 49% non-respondents). See Table A3, section 8.2.

Table 2.1: Characteristics of respondents by EYPP area Characteristics of the respondent EYP pilot area Sunder-Notts Tower Bolton land Durham<sup>1</sup> Cambs City Camden Hamlets Liverpool Lincs Total percentages **Age** 14 and under 15 to 16 17 and over Sex Male Female Ethnic group White вме Long-term illness or disability Limited by disability Not limited by disability No disability Age Base - weighted Base - unweighted Sex Base - weighted Base - unweighted Ethnic group Base - weighted Base - unweighted Long-term illness or disability Base - weighted Base - unweighted 

Please note that two methods of questionnaire distribution were used in Durham. See appendix for details.

### 2.2 Young people's current activity status

#### 2.2.1 Current activity status by sex

The majority of the sample reported that they were in education *only* (82%). Seven per cent were in education *and* work (or work-based training), and the same proportion answered that they were in education in combination with some other activity. Only 1% of young people said that work was their sole activity. There was little difference in current activity status between males and females.

The current activity status of young people varied between areas. Tower Hamlets had the highest proportion solely in education (94%), but the lowest in education *and* work (1%). Whilst Cambridgeshire had a relatively low proportion of young people reporting education as their sole activity (76%), it also had the highest proportion in education *and* work (12%).

Current activity status				EYP p	ilot area					2008
	Liverpool	Bolton	Sunder- land D	urham¹	Lincs	Cambs	Notts City	Camden	Tower Hamlets	Tota
									perd	centages
Males	0.4	70	07	0.5	00	70	0.4	00	00	
In education	84	73	87	85	83	78	81	88	93	83
In education AND in work or work-based training	5	7	5	9	9	9	6	8	1	7
In education AND other current activity	5	8	5	5	7	12	8	4	5	7
In work or work-based training	2	3	2	0	1	0	1	0	0	1
Other	3	8	1	1	1	1	3	0	1	3
Females										
In education	83	77	86	86	78	74	78	80	96	80
In education AND in work or work-based training	3	9	4	8	11	15	6	9	2	8
In education AND other current activity	11	6	7	5	10	9	11	8	3	8
In work or work-based training	0	2	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	1
Other	3	7	1	0	1	2	5	3	0	3
All										
In education	84	75	86	86	80	76	80	84	94	82
In education AND in work or work-based training	4	8	5	8	10	12	6	8	1	7
In education AND other current activity	8	7	6	5	8	11	10	6	4	7
In work or work-based training	1	2	2	1	1	0	1	0	0	
Other	3	8	1	0	1	1	4	2	1	3
Males										
Base - weighted	137	386	288	92	294	177	239	168	255	2034
Base - unweighted	130	271	380	94	393	219	116	84	187	1874
Females										
Base - weighted	116	367	284	99	312	181	260	206	97	1924
Base - unweighted	114	308	404	106	456	299	158	152	101	2098
All										
Base - weighted	253	753	572	192	606	358	499	373	352	3958
Base - unweighted	244	579	784	200	849	518	274	236	288	3972

#### 2.2.2 Current activity status by age

Young people aged 14 and under nearly all reported that their main and only current activity was education (90%). This figure decreased to 78% of those aged 15 to 16, and 53% of those aged 17 and over. A small number of people aged 16 and under reported that they were in work or workbased training - we expect that this represents a misunderstanding of the question.

				ETP	pilot area					200
	Liverpool	Bolton	Sunder- land Di	urham¹	Lincs	Cambs	Notts City	Camden	Tower Hamlets	Tota
									perd	centages
Aged 14 and under										_
n education	88	90	91	91	85	88	90	95	96	9
n education AND in work or work-based training	2 6	6	4	5	7	4	5	3	0 3	
n education AND other current activity n work or work-based training	1	3 0	4 1	4 0	7 0	6 0	4	1	0	
Other	4	1	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	
Aged 15 to 16										
n education	81	72	83	82	76	62	75	83	92	7
n education AND in work or work-based training	7	10	5	10	13	20	7	9	2	
n education AND other current activity	9	10	8	7	10	16	13	7	5	1
n work or work-based training	2	3	2	0	1	0	1	0	0	
Other	2	5	2	1	1	2	4	1	1	2
Aged 17 and over										
n education	а	[28]	[83]	а	а	а	а	[61]	а	5
n education AND in work or work-based training	а	[6]	[8]	а	а	а	а	[20]	а	1:
n education AND other current activity	а	[8]	[5]	а	а	a	а	[16]	а	1
n work or work-based training	а	[9]	[4]	а	а	а	а	[0]	а	
Other	а	[49]	[0]	а	а	а	а	[4]	а	2
Aged 14 and under										
Base - weighted	127	293	243	97	320	182	216	128	159	1768
Base - unweighted	127	247	375	98	459	284	116	85	118	1909
Aged 15 to 16										
Base - weighted	127	393	293	90	272	164	258	189	186	1972
Base - unweighted	118	291	379	97	372	220	144	113	162	1896
Aged 17 and over							_			
Base - weighted Base - unweighted	1	70 44	37 31	<i>4</i> 5	14 18	11 13	28 16	59 40	8 8	234 170

#### 2.3 Household characteristics

#### 2.3.1 Family background

Over three quarters (79%) of young people reported that they lived with their mother (including father's partner, stepmother and foster mother). Half of young people said that they lived with their father (including mother's partner / stepfather / foster father). Two-thirds reported that they lived with brothers or sisters.

Almost a quarter (22%) of young people said that they gave special help to someone they live with because this person had an illness or disability. This compares with 4% of the general population aged 16 and over (source: HSE, 2006).

The majority (70%) of young people reported that neither of their parents / guardians were in paid work. This compares with 13% among cohort 12 (sweep 1) of the Youth Cohort Survey<sup>3</sup>.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> http://www.dcsf.gov.uk/rsgateway/DB/SFR/s000560/index.shtml

81% of the sample reported that they received Free School Meals (FSM). This compares with 15% according to the Tell Us2 Survey<sup>4</sup>, and 16% according to official figures. This difference is not surprising, given that receipt of free school meals was a key criterion for EYPP eligibility. There was some variation in the proportion of FSM recipients between areas (ranging from 72% to 91%), which may reflect the different EYPP eligibility criteria used to target young people (refer to Appendix C for criteria).

Family background				FYP	pilot area	1				2008
ranny background			d		pilot area		Natta		T	2000
	Liverpool	Bolton	Sunder- land D	urham <sup>1</sup>	Lincs	Cambs	Notts City	Camden	Tower Hamlets	Tota
Who lives in household									perc	entages
Father/mother's partner/stepfather/foster father	42	53	49	59	54	46	43	47	59	50
Mother/father's partner/stepmother/foster mother	74	79	80	74	81	85	80	80	65	79
Other guardian	9	4	6	6	6	4	3	6	8	
Brothers or sisters	61	65	69	60	67	72	71	69	64	67
Any other relative	7	6	8	4	6	4	6	6	6	6
Any other person	3	4	3	4	4	4	2	1	4	3
Young carer										
Yes	17	22	21	25	22	20	24	21	19	22
No	83	78	79	75	78	80	76	79	81	78
Working status of parents/guardians										
One or more parent/guardian in paid work	28	25	23	28	31	30	21	28	19	2
No parent/guardian in paid work	67	71	72	68	65	67	75	68	73	70
Does not live with any parent/guardian	5	4	6	4	4	3	4	4	8	5
Whether receives free school meals (FSM)										
FSM recipient	82	72	84	84	73	84	89	91	87	81
Not FSM recipient	18	27	15	15	26	15	10	7	9	17
Don't know	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	2	3	,
Who lives in household										
Base - weighted	264	766	581	195	616	359	518	377	333	4009
Base - unweighted	255	588	798	204	864	520	284	238	270	4021
Young carer										
Base - weighted	251	774	576	193	612	354	517	378	344	3997
Base - unweighted	243	596	790	203	857	513	284	239	281	4006
Working status of parents/guardians										
Base - weighted	246	728	550	177	579	341	493	353	317	3783
Base - unweighted	237	559	757	187	812	497	270	224	256	3799
Whether receives free school meals (FSM)										
Base - weighted	265	787	584	195	623	363	531	383	361	4092
Base - unweighted	257	606	803	204	873	527	291	242	294	4097

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> An online survey of over 100,000 young people in years 6, 8 and 10 (so not directly comparable with EYPP respondents in terms of age).

http://www.ofsted.gov.uk/content/advancedsearch/summary?SearchText=tell+us+survey&SearchSectionID=-1&SubTreeArray=84

#### 2.3.2 Household composition

Respondents were asked 'Do you mainly live with any of the following people?' followed by a list including father/mother's partner etc; mother/father's partner etc; brothers; sisters; other relatives. A variable was derived to indicate whether respondents had ticked only one of the parent categories, or both. One in ten (12%) ticked father only; 41% ticked mother only and 38% ticked both categories.

Table 2.3.2: Household com	position by	EYPP a	rea	EVD						2222
	-			ETP	pilot area	1				2008
	Liverpool	Bolton	Sunder- land D	urham¹	Lincs	Cambs	Notts City	Camden	Tower Hamlets	Tota
										entages
Male single parent household <sup>2</sup>	12	12	10	16	11	9	12	10	21	12
Female single parent household <sup>3</sup>	44	38	41	32	38	48	49	43	27	41
Two parent household <sup>4</sup>	30	41	39	42	43	37	30	37	38	38
Other family situation	14	9	10	9	7	6	8	10	14	9
Base - weighted										
Male single parent household	32	95	58	32	71	32	64	37	71	490
Female single parent household	116	290	239	62	237	173	255	163	90	1627
Two parent household	80	314	227	83	264	133	157	139	126	1523
Other family situation	36	67	58	18	45	20	41	38	46	370
Base - unweighted										
Male single parent household	31	70	80	32	99	<b>4</b> 8	35	23	57	475
Female single parent household	112	227	328	65	330	254	139	107	73	1635
Two parent household	77	240	311	87	372	190	87	85	102	1551
Other family situation	35	51	79	20	63	28	23	23	38	360

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Please note that two methods of questionnaire distribution were used in Durham. See appendix for details.

# 2.4 Young people's feelings

The survey included a number of measures of young people's feelings about various aspects of their life. Questions were asked using a three point response scale (agree, neither agree nor disagree, disagree).

In general, the majority of respondents were happy with those aspects of their life that we asked about, with the exception of the area that they live in.

Sixty-one per cent of the sample reported that they felt happy with their appearance, though this varied somewhat by area. The proportion who felt happy with their appearance ranged from a high of 72% in Tower Hamlets, to 50-60% of respondents in Durham, Cambridgeshire and Lincolnshire.

Nearly two-thirds (65%) of young people said that they were happy with their health.

More than four in five young people reported that they were happy with their family (82%) and friends (83%).

Just under half (48%) of young people said that they felt happy with the area they lived in, and this figure varied between the pilot areas. Respondents in the London pilot areas were the most likely to be happy with their area (Camden 56%, Tower Hamlets 58%), and the least likely were those in Durham (43%) and Lincolnshire (40%).

Nearly two-thirds (65%) of young people said that they were happy with 'their life as a whole'. The proportion who said they felt unhappy with their life as a whole was similar across the pilot areas and ranged between 4% and 7%.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Includes father/mother's partner/stepfather/foster father

<sup>3</sup> Includes mother/father's partner/stepmother/foster mother

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Includes mother's partner/stepfather/foster father and father's partner/stepmother/foster mother

How respondent feels about their				EYP	pilot area	1				200
			Sunder-	'			Notts		Tower	
	Liverpool	Bolton		urham <sup>1</sup>	Lincs	Cambs		Camden		Tota
A									perc	entage.
Appearance	0.5	60	64	<b>-</b> 7	<b>-7</b>	50	64	C4	70	0
Happy	65 26	62 30	61 30	57 33	57 31	53 34	64 26	61 28	72 22	6 2
Neither happy nor unhappy Unhappy	10	30 7	9	33 9	12	13	10	20 11	7	1
***		,	9	9	12	13	10	11	,	'
Health	71	00	0.5	00	64	62	63	C4	67	_
Happy	21	66 24	65 26	60 28	26	62 27	27	64 27	22	6 2
Neither happy nor unhappy Unhappy	9	10	26 9	20 12	26 9	11	10	9	11	1
Family	"	10	9	12	9		10	9	" "	
Нарру	87	81	86	84	81	76	79	84	87	8
Neither happy nor unhappy	11	14	12	12	15	18	17	14	10	1
Unhappy	2	5	2	4	4	5	3	3	2	
Friends	-	Ü	-	•	•	Ü	Ü	Ü	_	
Happy	88	83	85	84	84	83	84	78	84	8
парру Neither happy nor unhappy	11	15	13	13	15	14	14	18	14	1.
Unhappy	2	2	2	3	2	4	2	3	2	
Area		_	_	3	_	-		3	_	
Нарру	46	52	49	43	40	45	44	56	58	4
Neither happy nor unhappy	31	28	32	34	37	34	28	31	27	3
Unhappy	23	19	19	23	23	20	28	13	15	2
Life as a whole										
Нарру	69	66	70	65	61	59	62	67	66	6
Neither happy nor unhappy	28	27	26	28	33	34	32	28	28	2
Unhappy	4	7	4	7	6	6	5	6	6	•
Appearance										
Base - weighted	255	774	582	195	616	359	527	382	341	4030
Base - unweighted	247	595	800	204	864	521	289	242	280	4042
Health										
Base - weighted	259	782	584	196	618	359	521	380	349	4046
Base - unweighted	251	601	802	205	867	521	286	241	285	4059
Family										
Base - weighted	257	780	581	195	616	360	527	375	354	4045
Base - unweighted	249	600	798	204	865	523	289	238	289	405
Friends										
Base - weighted	255	780	581	195	617	358	526	382	348	4043
Base - unweighted	247	600	798	204	866	521	289	242	284	405
Area				-		-				
Base - weighted	258	778	582	196	617	359	523	382	353	4048
Base - weighted Base - unweighted	250	598	799	205	866	522	287	242	288	405
Life as a whole	1	000	, 00	200	000	022	207	_ /2	200	,00
Lite as a whole Base - weighted	257	776	581	195	614	359	523	377	343	402
ваse - weignted Base - unweighted	249	597	798	204	862	521	287	239	343 280	402

#### 2.5 Young people's attitudes to learning

Young people were presented with a series of statements related to learning, and asked whether they agreed, neither agreed nor disagreed, or disagreed with each one.

About three-quarters (73%) of young people agreed with the statement 'School is worthwhile'. Conversely, only 7% said that they agreed with the statement 'I'm not interested in doing any learning'.

Seventy-two per cent agreed with the statement "I'm able to make decisions about my future', but attitudes to this varied between areas. The proportion agreeing was highest in Nottingham and Sunderland (79% and 78% respectively), while in three of the areas (Liverpool, Camden and Tower Hamlets) the proportion that agreed ranged between 65-67%.

Nearly six in ten (58%) of young people agreed with the statement that: 'I know where to get help and information about the things that are important to me'.

Seventy-three per cent agreed with the statement that: 'I'm happy to ask for help and information when I need it'.

Table 2.5: Young people's attitudes to learning by EYPP area Attitudes to learning EYP pilot area Sunder-Notts Tower Bolton land Durham<sup>1</sup> Cambs Liverpool Lincs City Camden Hamlets Total percentages 'School is worthwhile' Agree Neither agreee nor disagree Disagree 'I'm not interested in doing any learning' Agree Neither agreee nor disagree Disagree 'I'm able to make decisions about my future' Agree Neither agreee nor disagree Disagree 'I know where to go for help and information about things that are important to me' 22 Neither agreee nor disagree Disagree 'I am happy to ask for help and information when I need it' Agree Neither agreee nor disagree Disagree 'School is worthwhile' Base - weighted Base - unweighted 'I'm not interested in doing any learning' Base - weighted Base - unweighted 'I'm able to make decisions about my future' Base - weighted Base - unweighted 'I know where to go for help and information about things that are important to me' Base - weighted Base - unweighted 'I am happy to ask for help and information when I need it' Base - weighted Base - unweighted Please note that two methods of questionnaire distribution were used in Durham. See appendix for details

# 3 Chapter: Participation in positive activities

#### 3.1 Any positive activities

The questionnaire asked respondents whether they had participated in any of six groups of activities. Results are reported separately, in this chapter, for each group of activities. Table 3.1.1 shows the proportion of people who had participated in *any* of these six types of activity in the last four weeks. Almost all (96%) had done at least one activity.

				EYP	pilot area	1				2008
		5	Sunder-				Notts		Tower	
	Liverpool	Bolton	land D	urham¹	Lincs	Cambs	City	Camden		Tota
Whether taken part									perc	entages
Yes	94	95	97	96	96	98	94	96	96	9
No	6	5	3	4	4	2	6	4	4	•
Base - weighted										
Yes	252	<i>7</i> 58	571	188	599	355	504	374	346	3949
No	17	36	19	9	25	9	32	17	16	180
Base - unweighted										
Yes	244	584	788	196	840	515	277	236	281	396
No	17	27	22	10	35	14	17	11	15	168

Table 3.1.2 provides a summary table of the percentage participating in each of the six types of activity. Sports were the most common (85%), followed by cinema/theatre (66%), performing and creative arts (54%), museums/galleries (53%), courses/other learning activities (33%) and youth groups (32%). Each group of activities is examined in more detail below.

				EYP	pilot area	1				2008
		-	Sunder-				Notts		Tower	
	Liverpool	Bolton	land D	urham'	Lincs	Cambs	City	Camden	Hamlets	Tota percentage:
Sporting activities										,g
Yes	82	83	87	87	84	90	82	83	87	8
No	18	17	13	13	16	10	18	17	13	1
Performing and creative arts										
Yes	52	50	47	62	58	56	55	57	56	5
No	48	50	53	38	42	44	45	43	44	4
Courses and other learning-related activities										
Yes	30	31	28	32	26	28	32	48	51	3
No	70	69	72	68	74	72	68	52	49	6
Cinema, theatre and events										
Yes	71	65	74	56	63	71	67	68	57	6
No	29	35	26	44	37	29	33	32	43	3
Museums, galleries and places of interest										
Yes	52	60	53	47	43	49	48	68	54	5
No	48	40	47	53	57	51	52	32	46	4
Youth groups and other activities										
Yes	28	30	31	38	29	32	32	32	43	3
No	72	70	69	62	71	68	68	68	57	6
Base - weighted	270	794	590	197	624	364	536	391	363	4128
Base - unweighted	261	611	810	206	875	529	294	247	296	4129

#### 3.2 Sports activities

#### 3.2.1 Characteristics of those taking part

Eighty-five per cent of young people had taken part in one or more sporting activity in the last 4 weeks. There was some variation in the proportion taking part in sports between areas, ranging from 82% (Liverpool and Nottingham City) to 90% (Cambridgeshire).

The proportion taking part in any sporting activities was lowest among those aged 17 and over (74%).

Males were more likely than females to have participated in sports in the last 4 weeks (90% and 79% respectively).

The same proportion of white and BME young people had taken part in sporting activities in the last 4 weeks (85%). Among males, the proportion who had participated in sporting activities was similar for white and BME respondents (90% and 93% respectively). Among females, 80% of white respondents had taken part in sports, a slightly higher proportion than BME females (75%).

Seventy-nine per cent of young people with a limiting long term-illness or disability had participated in sporting activities in the last 4 weeks. This compared with 85% of those with a non-limiting disability, and the same proportion (85%) with no disability.

Table 3.2.1a: Characteristics of those taking part in any sporting activities in the last four weeks by sex, ethnic group and EYPP area

Table 3.2.1b: Whether taken part in a sporting activity in the last four weeks, by sex and ethnic group Characteristics of respondents EYP pilot area Notts Sunder-Tower land Durham<sup>1</sup> Cambs Liverpool **Bolton** Lincs City Camden Hamlets Tota percentages Males White a [95] [86] BME [100] [93] [91] **Females** White [86] [77] BME [79] Males Base - weighted White BME Base - unweighted White вме **Females** Base - weighted White BME Base - unweighted White BME Please note that two methods of questionnaire distribution were used in Durham. See appendix for details.

#### 3.2.2 How often taken part

One-third (33%) of young people had taken part in sporting activities once or twice in the past 4 weeks, and half (49%) had done so three times or more. Young people in Cambridgeshire had taken part in sporting activities most frequently (58% had three times or more) compared with the other areas (47-52% had three times or more)<sup>5</sup>.

How often taken part in activities				FYP	pilot area	•				2008
		;	Sunder-		pilot al oc		Notts		Tower	
	Liverpool	Bolton	land D	urham¹	Lincs	Cambs	City	Camden	Hamlets	Tota
									perc	entages
Not in the past 4 weeks	22	20	14	15	19	11	20	16	16	17
Once or twice	30	31	34	34	34	31	34	37	37	33
Three times or more	48	49	52	52	47	58	46	47	47	49
Base - weighted	263	785	583	193	617	360	526	383	357	4066
Base - unweighted	254	604	802	203	865	523	288	242	291	4072

#### 3.2.3 Number of different sporting activities done

Eighteen per cent of respondents had taken part in only one type of activity in the last four weeks, nearly one-third of (31%) had taken part two or three, and 16% had done six or more different activities in this period. Cambridgeshire had the highest proportion of young people doing *more than one* sporting activity (76%), the other areas ranged between 61% and 71%.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Please note that the proportion of respondents who reported doing one or more sporting activity in Table 3.2.2 is lower than the proportion who said they had taken part in a sporting activity in Table 3.2.1a. This is due to differential item non-response - i.e. the number of young people answering differed between the two questions.

Number of activities				EYP	pilot area	ı				2008
			Sunder-	. 1			Notts		Tower	_
	Liverpool	Bolton	land D	urham	Lincs	Cambs	City	Camden		Tota
									perc	entages
None	18	17	13	13	16	10	18	17	13	15
One	20	19	20	15	19	14	16	18	17	18
Two or three	31	29	33	34	31	30	26	34	33	31
Four or five	17	19	21	21	20	23	20	21	18	20
Six or more	13	16	13	16	14	23	19	11	19	16
Base - weighted	270	794	590	197	624	364	536	391	363	4128
Base - unweighted	261	611	810	206	875	529	294	247	296	4129

#### 3.2.4 Most common sporting activities

Twenty five sporting activities were listed in the questionnaire, the top six are reported below. Football was clearly the most popular sporting activity, with nearly half (46%) of young people reporting that they had taken part in the last 4 weeks. Around a quarter (21-26%) of young people had participated in the next 4 most popular activities: walking/climbing/orienteering, swimming, cycling, and pool/snooker/billiards. The sixth most common activity was gym or circuit training.

Although football was the most commonly mentioned activity in all of the pilot areas, the proportion taking part varied considerably, ranging from 37% in Lincolnshire through to 63% in Tower Hamlets.

There were differences between males and females in the types of sporting activities mentioned. For example, 69% of males reported that had played football in the past four weeks compared with only 22% of females. One in twenty respondents (5%) had done a sport that was not listed in the questionnaire. Several activities were listed in this miscellaneous category, including trampolining, fishing and horse riding.

Table 3.2.4: Top 6 most common sporting activities done, by EYPP area

Most commonly mentioned activities <sup>2</sup>				FYP	pilot area	,				2008
					phot area	•	N. 44			2000
	1		Sunder-	1		0	Notts	0	Tower	Tata
	Liverpool	Bolton	iand D	urham¹	Lincs	Cambs	City	Camden		Tota entages
									pere	cinages
Males										
Football	73	76	70	64	54	65	70	76	75	69
Walking/Climbing/Orienteering	19	25	24	23	24	29	26	23	20	24
Swimming	35	26	32	33	19	27	25	20	24	26
Cycling	30	21	37	41	39	54	33	28	27	33
Pool/Snooker/Billiards	27	29	35	31	28	37	28	25	29	30
Gym/Circuit training	19	25	22	26	15	17	20	28	31	22
Females										
Football	22	18	24	22	21	19	28	20	30	22
Walking/Climbing/Orienteering	26	28	29	32	30	39	29	24	25	29
Swimming	18	22	33	33	21	33	21	18	22	24
Cycling	11	10	14	10	19	35	23	14	11	17
Pool/Snooker/Billiards	11	12	14	6	16	15	12	11	8	12
Gym/Circuit training	16	17	11	13	11	17	8	15	20	14
All										
Football	49	47	47	42	37	42	48	44	63	46
Walking/Climbing/Orienteering	22	26	26	28	27	34	27	23	21	26
Swimming	27	24	33	33	20	30	23	19	23	25
Cycling	21	16	26	25	29	44	28	20	22	25
Pool/Snooker/Billiards	20	21	24	18	22	25	20	17	23	21
Gym/Circuit training	17	21	16	19	13	17	14	21	27	18
Males										
Base - weighted	146	408	294	94	304	178	259	171	259	2114
Base - unweighted	140	287	388	96	407	221	126	86	190	1941
Females										
Base - weighted	119	381	295	102	321	186	273	211	101	1989
Base - unweighted	117	320	420	110	468	307	166	156	104	2168
All										
Base - weighted	270	794	590	197	624	364	536	391	363	4128
Base - unweighted	261	611	810	206	875	529	294	247	296	4129

#### 3.3 Performing and creative arts activities

#### 3.3.1 Characteristics of those taking part

Just over half (54%) had taken part in one or more performing or creative arts activity in the last 4 weeks. There was some variation in the proportion who had taken part between areas, ranging from 47% (Sunderland) to 62% (Durham).

The proportion of those taking part in any performing or creative arts activities was lowest among those aged 17 and over (38%).

Females were more likely than males to have participated in these activities in the last 4 weeks (62% and 47% respectively). This was true across all areas.

The same proportion of white and BME young people had taken part in performing and creative arts activities in the last 4 weeks (54%).

Forty-eight per cent of young people with a limiting long term-illness or disability had participated in creative activities in the last 4 weeks. This compared with 54% of those with a non-limiting disability, and 55% with no disability.

Table 3.3.1a: Characteristics of those taking part in any performing and creative arts activities in the last four weeks by EYPP area

Table 3.3.1b: Whether taken part in any performing and creative arts activities in the last four weeks, by sex and ethnic group EYP pilot area Characteristics of respondents Sunder-Notts Tower land Durham<sup>1</sup> Liverpool **Bolton** Lincs Cambs City Camden Hamlets Total percentages Males White [55] [45] BME [62] [60] [54] Females White [68] [56] BME [68] Males Base - weighted White BMF Base - unweighted White BME **Females** Base - weighted White BME Base - unweighted White **BME** Please note that two methods of questionnaire distribution were used in Durham. See appe

#### 3.3.2 How often taken part

One-quarter (24%) of young people had taken part in arts activities once or twice in the past 4 weeks, and a third (31%) had done so three times or more.

	r weeks by	EYPPa	rea							
How often taken part in activities				EYP	pilot area	1				2008
		;	Sunder-				Notts		Tower	
	Liverpool	Bolton	land D	urham <sup>1</sup>	Lincs	Cambs	City	Camden	Hamlets	Tota
									perc	entages
Not in the past 4 weeks	48	52	52	36	44	42	45	41	41	46
Once or twice	19	19	21	27	21	23	27	25	38	24
Three times or more	33	29	27	37	36	35	28	34	21	31
Base - weighted	258	783	565	187	609	351	521	379	350	4002
Base - unweighted	250	601	776	198	853	510	286	240	286	4000

#### 3.3.3 Number of different performing or creative arts activities done

One-quarter (24%) of respondents had taken part in only one type of activity in the last four weeks, about one-fifth of (21%) had taken part in two or three, and 9% had done four or more different activities in this period.

in the las	t four weeks by	EYPP ar	ea							
Number of activities				EYP	pilot area	l				2008
		,	Sunder-				Notts		Tower	
	Liverpool	Bolton	land D	urham¹	Lincs	Cambs	City	Camden	Hamlets	Tota
									perc	entages
None	48	50	53	38	42	44	45	43	44	46
One	25	24	21	32	26	24	21	25	24	24
Two or three	20	18	19	19	22	22	24	19	24	2
Four or five	4	5	5	7	7	8	9	10	7	7
Six or more	3	3	2	4	2	3	2	1	2	2
Base - weighted	270	794	590	197	624	364	536	391	363	4128
Base - unweighted	261	611	810	206	875	529	294	247	296	4129

#### 3.3.4 Most common performing and creative arts activities

Twelve performing and creative arts activities were listed in the questionnaire. The top five are reported below. Painting, drawing or graffiti art was the most popular activity, with nearly one-quarter (24%) of young people reporting that they had done this in the last 4 weeks. Between 16% and 11% of young people had participated in the next 4 most popular activities: creating a website / blogging, dance, drama / acting / theatre group, and writing music / stories / poetry. Two per cent of people had done an activity that was not listed. Several different activities were listed here, including reading, cooking, and hairdressing.

Table 3.3.4: Top five most com	mon perfo	rming aı	nd creat	ive arts	activit	ies, by E	YPP aı	ea		
Most commonly mentioned activities <sup>2</sup>				EYP	pilot area	l				2008
	Liverpool	Bolton	Sunder- land D	urham <sup>1</sup>	Lincs	Cambs	Notts City	Camden	Tower Hamlets	Total
									perc	entages
Painting, drawing or graffiti art	22	23	24	27	25	27	25	18	24	24
Creating a website, blogging	14	17	15	19	16	19	17	18	16	16
Dance	14	13	11	16	13	14	17	16	13	13
Drama/Acting/Theatre group	12	9	9	9	13	12	12	20	13	13
Writing music, stories, poetry	10	9	8	10	14	11	13	9	11	11
Base - weighted	270	794	590	197	624	364	536	391	363	4128
Base - unweighted	261	611	810	206	875	529	294	247	296	4129
<sup>1</sup> Please note that two methods of questionnaire distribution <sup>2</sup> This table shows the top 5 most mentioned activities over				3.						

#### 3.4 Courses and other learning-related activities

#### 3.4.1 Characteristics of those taking part

One-third (33%) of the sample had taken part in a course or other learning-related activity in the last 4 weeks. There was some variation in the proportion taking part in courses and learning-related activities between areas, ranging from one-quarter (26%) in Lincolnshire to about one-half in Camden and Tower Hamlets (48% and 51% respectively).

Similar proportions of males and females said that they have participated in courses and learning-related activities in the last 4 weeks (32% and 33% respectively).

Young people from BME groups were more likely than white respondents to have taken part in courses/learning in the last 4 weeks (48% and 26% respectively), this was true for both males and females.

A slightly lower proportion of young people with a limiting long term-illness or disability had participated in courses/learning in the last 4 weeks, than those with a non-limiting disability or with no disability (28% compared with 35% and 33%).

Table 3.4.1a: Characteristics of those taking part in any courses and other learning-related activities in the last four weeks by EYPP area Characteristics of respondents EYP pilot area Sunder-Notts Tower Liverpool **Bolton** land Durham Cambs City Camden Hamlets Total Lincs percentages Age 14 and under 15 to 16 17 and over [22] [34] [38] Sex 27 Male Female Ethnic group White [44] вме [41] [49] [32] Long-term illness or disability Limited by disability [33] [33] [25] [18] [39] Not limited by disability [16] [40] [26] [42] No disability All taking part Age Base - weighted 14 and under 15 to 16 17 and over Base - unweighted 14 and under 15 to 16 17 and over Sex Base - weighted Male Female Base - unweighted Male Female Ethnic group Base - weighted White BME Base - unweighted White вме Long-term illness or disability Base - weighted Limited by disability Not limited by disability No disability Base - unweighted Limited by disability Not limited by disability No disability All taking part Base - weighted Base - unweighted Please note that two methods of questionnaire distribution were used in Durham. See appendix for details

Characteristics of respondents	-			EYP	pilot area	1				2008
			Sunder-				Notts		Tower	_
	Liverpool	Bolton	land D	urham'	Lincs	Cambs	City	Camden	Hamlets	Tota
Males										percentage.
White	30	23	28	27	27	24	28	[58]	[31]	2
BME	[38]	40	а	а	а	[28]	[46]	55	53	4
Females										
White	25	27	26	37	24	29	26	[26]	[61]	2
BME	а	44	а	а	а	[56]	41	48	51	4
Males										
Base - weighted										
White	113	257	281	88	289	154	185	46	37	145
BME	30	144	9	6	11	22	72	123	219	63
Base - unweighted										
White	108	183	372	91	387	191	90	24	27	147.
BME	29	99	11	5	15	28	35	61	161	44
Females										
Base - weighted										
White	103	238	284	100	308	166	185	58	21	146
BME	16	142	10	2	10	19	86	147	78	510
Base - unweighted										
White	102	199	404	108	450	275	112	42	22	171
BME	15	120	15	2	15	31	53	110	80	44

#### 3.4.2 How often taken part

Sixteen per cent of young people had taken part in courses and learning-related activities once or twice in the past 4 weeks, and a similar proportion (18%) had done so three times or more. The proportion reporting frequent participation in course/learning activities varied between the pilot areas. Young people in Tower Hamlets and Camden were the most likely to participate in these types of activities three times or more (24%-26%, compared with 18% overall).

in the last fou	r weeks by	EYPP a	rea							
How often taken part in activities				EYP	pilot area	1				2008
		;	Sunder-				Notts		Tower	
	Liverpool	Bolton	land D	urham¹	Lincs	Cambs	City	Camden	Hamlets	Tota
									perc	entages
Not in the past 4 weeks	68	68	71	64	72	69	69	52	49	66
Once or twice	14	14	14	16	13	14	16	22	27	16
Three times or more	18	18	16	19	15	17	15	26	24	18
Base - weighted	254	774	562	188	594	352	516	381	346	3967
Base - unweighted	245	596	771	197	833	511	283	241	283	3960

#### 3.4.3 Number of different courses/learning-related activities done

A quarter (25%) of respondents had taken part in only one type of course or learning related activity in the last four weeks, 6% had taken part in two or three, and only 2% had done four or more different activities in this period. Young people in Tower Hamlets were most likely to have done *more than one* course/learning activity (16%), the other areas ranged between 5% and 11%

Number of activities				EYP	pilot area	l				200
	Liverpool	Bolton	Sunder- land D	urham <sup>1</sup>	Lincs	Cambs	Notts City	Camden	Tower Hamlets	Tota
										entage
None One	69 23	69 23	72 22	68 25	74 21	72 23	68 24	52 36	49 34	6° 2:
Two or three	6	6	4	4	3	4	7	10	13	
Four or five	-	*	*	1	*	-	-	1	1	
Six or more	2	2	1	3	1	1	1	1	2	
Base - weighted	270	794	590	197	624	364	536	391	363	4128
Base - unweighted	261	611	810	206	875	529	294	247	296	4129

#### 3.4.4 Most common courses and learning-related activities

The most commonly mentioned course/learning activity was homework club / Saturday or Sunday school / summer school (15%). The next most common was computer / IT course, and learning another language (9% and 8% respectively). Four per cent of young people mentioned that they had done another type of learning activity. This miscellaneous group included several different activities, for example driving lessons, bricklaying, cooking, and hairdressing.

Most commonly mentioned activities <sup>2</sup>				EYP	pilot area	1				2008
	Liverpool	Bolton	Sunder- land D	urham <sup>1</sup>	Lincs	Cambs	Notts City	Camden	Tower Hamlets	Tota
									perc	entages
Homework club/Sat or Sun school/Summer school	10	13	9	9	7	12	15	28	33	15
Computer/IT course	13	7	7	12	8	7	9	10	13	9
Learning another language	9	8	5	7	6	7	6	9	13	8
Other - specify	2	5	4	2	4	3	4	6	3	4
Base - weighted	270	794	590	197	624	364	536	391	363	4128
Base - unweighted	261	611	810	206	875	529	294	247	296	4129

#### 3.5 Cinema, theatre and event activities

#### 3.5.1 Characteristics of those taking part

Two-thirds (66%) of respondents reported that they had been to the cinema, theatre or some other type of similar event in the last 4 weeks. There was some variation in the proportion that had been to these activities between areas (ranging from 57% to 74%).

Similar proportions of males and females to had been to one of these types of event in the last 4 weeks (65% and 68% respectively).

Young people of white origin were more likely than those from BME groups to have been to the cinema, theatre or related event in the last 4 weeks (68% compared with 64%).

A lower proportion of young people with a limiting long term-illness or disability said they had been to the cinema or similar event in the last 4 weeks than with those with a non-limiting disability or no disability (59% compared with 70% and 67% respectively).

Table 3.5.1a: Characteristics of those going to any cinema, theatre and events in the last four weeks by EYPP area

Characteristics of respondents					pilot area	1				200
		<b>5</b> . 14	Sunder-	<b>5</b> • • • • 1		Ob	Notts		Tower	<b>T</b> -1-
	Liverpool	Bolton	land	Durham <sup>1</sup>	Lincs	Cambs	City	Camden		Tota
Age									ρει	rcentages
14 and under	68	66	76	53	60	72	67	62	55	65
15 to 16	74	68	75	61	65	70	67			68
17 and over	a	[49]	[59]	a	а	a	a			62
17 and over		[.~]	[~~]					Lt. ta		=-
Sex										
Male	76	66	71	52	60	68	65	67	55	65
Female	66	65	78	60	65	74	69			68
Ethnic group										
White	68	67	74	56	62	72	65	80	[65]	68
BME	[88]	62	[86]	a	[76]	65	70			64
	1.7.1	-	L-~ .		r,			-		-
Long-term illness or disability										
Limited by disability	[62]	63	66	[27]	56	[66]	[61]	_	[عد]	59
Not limited by disability	[61]	[74]	73	[48]	80	80	[65]			70
No disability	75	65	75	62	62	71	67	67	59	67
All taking part	71	65	74	56	63	71	67	68	57	66
Age										
Base - weighted										
14 and under	136	311	251	101	332	185	230	132	164	1841
15 to 16	130	410	301	92	278	166	276	194	188	2036
17 and over	1	73	37	4	14	11	30	59	8	238
Base - unweighted										
14 and under	136	262	388	102	476	290	123			1987
15 to 16	122	302	390	99	381	224	154			1952
17 and over	1	46	31	5	18	13	17	40	8	179
Sex										
Base - weighted										
Male	146	408	294	94	304	178	259	171	259	2114
Female	119	381	295	102	321	186	273		101	1989
Base - unweighted										
Male	140	287	388	96	407	221	126	86	190	1941
Female	117	320	420	110	468	307	166			2168
Ethnic group										
Base - weighted										
White	220	498	566	189	597	321	374	106	59	2930
BME	46	288	19	8	21	42	158			1157
Base - unweighted		•								
White	214	384	777	199	837	467	204	67	50	3199
BME	44	221	26	7	30	59	88	175		892
Wassas as disobility										
Long-term illness or disability										
Base - weighted Limited by disability	46	88	60	20	76	24	67	26	11	166
Not limited by disability	46 27	88 50	69 49	20 20	76 59	34 40	67 42			466 331
No disability	186	634	49 457	20 153	59 469	280	42 403			331 3204
Base - unweighted	,	· · · ·	٦٠.	100	700	200	700	000	202	<b>U_</b> U .
Limited by disability	43	68	95	21	106	48	37	17	35	470
Not limited by disability	26	68 37	95 65	21 22	106 82	48 55	37 22			339
No disability	182	489	629	159	659	410	222			3198
,										
All taking part Base - weighted	270	794	590	197	624	364	536	391	363	4128
Base - weighted Base - unweighted	270 261	794 611	590 810	197 206	624 875	364 529	536 294			4128 4129
Base - unweignieu	201	011	010	200	010	ن عان	∠ <i>3</i> ¬	471	230	4120

Characteristics of respondents				EYP	pilot area	1				2008
	Liverpool	Bolton	Sunder- land D	urbam <sup>1</sup>	Lincs	Cambs	Notts	Comdon	Tower Hamlets	Tota
	Liverpoor	DOILOII	ianu D	urnam	LINGS	Camps	City	Camuen	паппесѕ	percentage
Males										percentage
White	71	68	70	52	60	69	63	[80]	[60]	6
BME	[95]	63	а	а	а	[61]	[68]	62	55	6
Females										
White	65	67	78	59	64	75	67	[79]	[72]	6
BME	а	60	а	а	а	[69]	72	65	58	6
Males										
Base - weighted										
White	113	257	281	88	289	154	185	46	37	1450
BME	30	144	9	6	11	22	72	123	219	637
Base - unweighted										
White	108	183	372	91	387	191	90	24	27	147:
BME	29	99	11	5	15	28	35	61	161	444
Females										
Base - weighted										
White	103	238	284	100	308	166	185	58	21	1468
BME	16	142	10	2	10	19	86	147	78	510
Base - unweighted										
White	102	199	404	108	450	275	112	42	22	1714
BME	15	120	15	2	15	31	53	110	80	44

#### 3.5.2 How often taken part

Half (50%) of young people had been the cinema, or similar event, once or twice in the past 4 weeks, and 16% had done so three times or more.

in the last four	weeks by	EYPP a	rea							
How often taken part in activities				EYP	pilot area	ı				2008
			Sunder-				Notts		Tower	
	Liverpool	Bolton	land D	urham¹	Lincs	Cambs	City	Camden	Hamlets	Tota
									perc	entages
Not in the past 4 weeks	29	36	26	42	37	30	33	31	44	34
Once or twice	50	48	55	42	50	53	48	57	42	50
Three times or more	21	17	19	16	12	17	19	12	13	16
Base - weighted	262	781	571	185	610	357	530	382	351	4029
Base - unweighted	253	600	785	194	855	518	291	242	287	4025

#### 3.5.3 Number of different cinema / theatre-related activities

The majority of young people (63%) had been to between one and three different cinema or similar events in the last four weeks, while 4% had been to four or more cinema or related events in this period.

Table 3.5.3: Number in the	last four wee	•			into De	GII LO				
Number of activities				EYP	pilot area	1				2008
		;	Sunder-				Notts		Tower	
	Liverpool	Bolton	land D	ourham¹	Lincs	Cambs	City	Camden	Hamlets	Tota
									perc	entages
None	29	35	26	44	37	29	33	32	43	34
One	37	37	43	33	37	40	40	36	33	38
Two or three	32	25	29	20	22	28	23	29	19	25
Four or five	2	2	2	3	3	2	4	2	3	3
Six or more	1	*	*	1	1	*	*	1	1	1
Base - weighted	270	794	590	197	624	364	536	391	363	4128
Base - unweighted	261	611	810	206	875	529	294	247	296	4129

#### 3.5.4 Most common cinema, theatre and related activities

Ten activities were listed in this group. Watching a film at the cinema or other venue was the most popular activity, with around half (49%) of young people reporting that they had done this in the last 4 weeks. Twenty per cent said that they had been to a sporting event, 12% had been to a nightclub, 9% to a play and 7% to a gig/concert/music festival. Two per cent of young people reported doing an activity that was not on the list. These included going to a party, talent shows, and bingo.

		•		•						
Most commonly mentioned activities <sup>2</sup>				EYP <sub>I</sub>	pilot area					2008
		5	Sunder-				Notts		Tower	
	Liverpool	Bolton	land D	urham <sup>1</sup>	Lincs	Cambs	City	Camden	Hamlets	Tota
									perc	entages
Film at cinema or other venue	52	48	58	34	44	54	51	53	42	49
Sporting event eg football match	22	23	24	18	14	21	19	18	22	20
Nightclubs including under 18s	7	13	13	16	9	14	17	9	3	12
Plays/musicals	13	5	5	8	16	8	7	10	11	9
Gigs/concerts/music festivals	11	5	8	8	6	8	7	7	3	7
Base - weighted	270	794	590	197	624	364	536	391	363	4128
Base - unweighted	261	611	810	206	875	529	294	247	296	4129

#### 3.6 Museums, galleries and places of interest

#### 3.6.1 Characteristics of those taking part

Fifty-three per cent of the sample of young people had been to a museum, gallery or other place of interest in the last 4 weeks. The proportion who had visited one of these in that period was highest in Bolton and Camden (60% and 68% respectively), and lowest in Durham and Lincolnshire (47% and 43% respectively).

A slightly higher proportion of females than males said that they have been to a museum or related activity in the last 4 weeks (56% and 50% respectively), although this was not true across all areas.

Respondents from BME groups were more likely than white respondents to have been to a museum, gallery or other place of interest (59% compared with 51%). This difference was true for both sexes.

Table 3.6.1a: Characteristics of those visiting museums, galleries and places of interest in the last four weeks by EYPP area

Characteristics of respondents						2008				
	Liverpool	Bolton	Sunder- land	Durham <sup>1</sup>	Lincs	Cambs	Notts City	Camden	Tower Hamlets	Tota
									per	centages
Age	F.4	C.F.	50	<b>5</b> 4	45	57	50	67	<b>5</b> 4	F.(
14 and under 15 to 16	54	65 58	59		45	57	53	67	54 52	56
	50 a		49	_	41 a	41 a	45 a	66	53 a	50
17 and over		[54]	[55]	_	_	_	_	[73]	_	56
Sex										
Male	56	58	49		39	43	45	65	53	50
Female	47	62	58	55	46	55	51	70	58	56
Ethnic group										
White	50	57	а	а	43	49	48	72	[47]	51
BME	[58]	65	[56]	а	[35]	54	50	67	55	59
Long-term illness or disability										
Limited by disability	[42]	63	58	[32]	50	[50]	50	а	[67]	54
Not limited by disability	[51]	[65]	53		50	[55]	[56]	а	[O/]	55
No disability	53	60	53		41	49	47	68	54	53
All taking part	52	60	53	47	43	49	48	68	54	53
Age										
Base - weighted										
14 and under	136	311	251	101	332	185	230	132	164	1841
15 to 16	130	410	301	92	278	166	276	194	188	2036
17 and over	1	73	37	4	14	11	30	59	8	238
Base - unweighted										
14 and under	136	262	388	102	476	290	123	88	122	1987
15 to 16	122	302	390	99	381	224	154	116	164	1952
17 and over	1	46	31	5	18	13	17	40	8	179
Sex										
Base - weighted										
Male	146	408	294	94	304	178	259	171	259	2114
Female	119	381	295	102	321	186	273	211	101	1989
Base - unweighted										
Male	140	287	388	96	407	221	126	86	190	1941
Female	117	320	420	110	468	307	166	156	104	2168
Ethnic group										
Base - weighted										
White	220	498	566	189	597	321	374	106	59	2930
BME	46	288	19	8	21	42	158	276	299	1157
Base - unweighted										
White BME	214 44	384 221	777 26	199 7	837 30	467 59	204 88	67 175	50 2 <b>4</b> 2	3199 892
Long-term illness or disability										
Base - weighted Limited by disability	46	88	69	20	76	34	67	26	41	466
Not limited by disability	27	50	49	20	59	40	42	26 24	21	331
No disability	186	634	457		469	280	403	330	292	3204
Base - unweighted	1	004	707	100	700	200	700	550	202	52.04
Limited by disability	43	68	95	21	106	48	37	17	35	470
Not limited by disability	26	37	65	22	82	55	22	14	16	339
No disability	182	489	629	159	659	410	222	210	238	3198
All taking part										
Base - weighted	270	794	590	197	624	364	536	391	363	4128
Base - unweighted	261	611	810	206	875	529	294	247	296	4129

Table 3.6.1b: Whether visited any museums, galleries and places of interest in the last four weeks, by sex and ethnic group Characteristics of respondents EYP pilot area Notts Tower Sunder-Liverpool Bolton land Durham<sup>1</sup> Cambs City Camden Hamlets Total Lincs percentages Males [45] White a a [67] BME [57] [47] Females a [74] White [49] BME [64] Males Base - weighted White **BME** Base - unweighted White вме Females Base - weighted White BME Base - unweighted White вме Please note that two methods of questionnaire distribution were used in Durham. See appendix for details.

#### 3.6.2 How often visited

37% had been to a museum, gallery or other place of interest once or twice in the last four weeks, and 17% had been three times or more.

in the last fou	r weeks b	y EYPP a	area							<u>;</u>
How often taken part in activities	EYP pilot area									
		:	Sunder-		Notts	Tower				
	Liverpool	Bolton	land D	urham <sup>1</sup>	Lincs	Cambs	City	Camden	Hamlets	Tota
									perc	entages
Not in the past 4 weeks	49	40	46	55	57	50	50	31	46	46
Once or twice	33	42	37	31	29	34	36	45	38	37
Three times or more	19	18	18	14	14	16	15	23	16	17
Base - weighted	256	776	570	193	604	353	523	383	346	4004
Base - unweighted	247	597	783	202	847	513	287	243	282	4001

#### 3.6.3 Number of different museums, gallery or place of interests visited

Just under one-third (32%) had visited one museum, gallery or place of interest in the last four weeks, 18% had visited two or three, and 3% had visited four or more.

	t four weeks by		rea									
Number of activities		EYP pilot area										
		:	Sunder-			Tower						
	Liverpool	Bolton	land D	urham <sup>1</sup>	Lincs	Cambs	City	Camden	amden Hamlets	Tota		
									perc	entages		
None	48	39	46	53	57	51	51	32	45	47		
One	31	35	30	32	30	34	31	35	33	32		
Two or three	17	23	19	14	12	13	16	29	18	18		
Four or five	3	2	4	1	1	2	1	4	3	2		
Six or more	1	1	*	*	*	*	-	1	1	,		
Base - weighted	270	794	590	197	624	364	536	391	363	4128		
Base - unweighted	261	611	810	206	875	529	294	247	296	4129		

#### 3.6.4 Most common museums, galleries and places of interest visited

Seven places of interest were listed at this question. About one-third (32%) of young people mentioned that they had been to a park or public garden in the last 4 weeks. A lower proportion mentioned that they had visited a public library (22%). The next three most popular venues were museums, theme parks, and art galleries (12%, 7% and 5% respectively). Two per cent of respondents said that they had been somewhere that was not listed, including a football stadium and a zoo.

Table 3.6.4: Top five most comm	on places o	rinteres	i, by EYI	P area							
Most commonly mentioned activities <sup>2</sup>		EYP pilot area									
		Sunder-							Tower		
	Liverpool	Bolton	land D	urham¹	Lincs	Cambs	City Camde	Camden	Hamlets	Total	
									perc	entages	
Parks or gardens open to public	32	33	33	22	27	30	31	44	28	32	
Public libraries	17	27	20	20	17	17	18	30	27	22	
Museums	18	14	18	11	4	7	5	17	13	12	
Theme park	9	13	6	3	4	5	7	6	8	7	
Art galleries	4	5	6	4	3	5	3	12	8	5	
Base - weighted	270	794	590	197	624	364	536	391	363	4128	
Base - unweighted	261	611	810	206	875	529	294	247	296	4129	

#### 3.7 Youth groups and other activities

#### 3.7.1 Characteristics of those taking part

About one-third (32%) of respondents had participated in one or more youth group or related activity in the last 4 weeks. There was variation in the proportion that had taken part in these types of activities between areas, ranging from 43% (Tower Hamlets) down to 28-29% in Liverpool and Lincolnshire.

The proportion taking part in any type of youth group or related activities was lowest among those aged 17 and over (27%).

Males were more likely than females to have participated in youth group or related activities in the last 4 weeks (35% and 29% respectively). This was true across all areas apart from Cambridgeshire, where an equal proportion had participated (32%).

A higher proportion of BME young people had taken part in a youth group or related activity in the last 4 weeks: (37% BME; 30% white). Among males, this difference was more pronounced (43% of BME males had taken part, compared with 31% of white males) than among females (31% BME; 28% of white females).

Table 3.7.1a: Characteristics of those taking part in youth groups and other activities in the last four weeks by EYPP area

Table 3.7.1.b: Whether taken part in any youth groups and other activities in the last four weeks, by sex and ethnic group Characteristics of respondents EYP pilot area Notts Sunder-Tower City Camden Hamlets land Durham<sup>1</sup> Liverpool **Bolton** Lincs Cambs Total percentages Males [41] White a a [43] BME [56] [35] [40] **Females** White [23] [30] BME [24] Males Base - weighted White **BME** Base - unweighted White BME **Females** Base - weighted White вме Base - unweighted White BME Please note that two methods of questionnaire distribution were used in Durham. See appendix for de-

## 3.7.2 How often taken part

Fifteen per cent of young people had taken part in a youth group or related activity once or twice in the past 4 weeks, and a similar proportion (17%) had done so three times or more.

in the las	st four weeks	by EYP	P area							
How often taken part in activities				EYP	pilot area	1				2008
		;	Sunder-				Notts		Tower	
	Liverpool	Bolton	land D	urham¹	Lincs	Cambs	City	Camden	Hamlets	Tota
									perc	entages
Not in the past 4 weeks	71	71	69	61	71	67	67	65	58	68
Once or twice	15	14	13	16	13	19	15	16	22	15
Three times or more	13	15	17	23	16	14	17	19	20	17
Base - weighted	257	765	566	183	603	352	518	376	343	3964
Base - unweighted	248	589	778	192	846	511	284	238	279	3965

#### 3.7.3 Number of different youth groups and related activities participated in

About one-quarter (26%) had taken part in only one youth group or related activity in the last four weeks, and 6% had participated in two or three.

in the la	st four weeks	by EYPF	area							
Number of activities				EYP	pilot area	ı				2008
	Liverpool	Bolton	Sunder- land D	urbom <sup>1</sup>	Lincs	Cambs	Notts City	Camden	Tower	Tota
	Liverpool	BOILOII	Ialiu D	urnam	LIIICS	Callins	City	Camuen		entages
None One	72 24	70 25	69 26	62 33	71 23	68 25	68 25	68 25	57 37	68 26
Two or three Four or five Six or more	4 *	4 - -	5 - -	5 1 -	6 *	7 * -	7 - -	8 - -	5 - -	6
Base - weighted Base - unweighted	270 261	794 611	590 810	197 206	62 <i>4</i> 875	364 529	536 294	391 247	363 296	4128 4129

## 3.7.4 Most common youth groups and related activities

Six activities came under the heading of youth groups and other activities. A youth group (non-religious) or community centre was the most popular type of activity, with just over one-fifth (21%) of young people reporting that they had been in the last 4 weeks. A much lower proportion of young people had participated in the 3 next most popular activities: youth group at place of worship (6%), cadet force (3%), or Duke of Edinburgh award scheme (3%). Two per cent of people had done an activity that was not on the list, including 'young carers', and school/youth council.

Although youth group/community centre was the most commonly mentioned activity in all of the pilot areas, the proportion reporting participation varied considerably. The lowest proportion was in Lincolnshire (16%) and the highest in Tower Hamlets (33%).

Most commonly mentioned activities <sup>2</sup>				EYP	pilot area					2008
		9	Sunder-				Notts		Tower	
	Liverpool	Bolton	land D	urham <sup>1</sup>	Lincs	Cambs	City	Camden	Hamlets	Tota
									perc	entages
Youth group (non-religious) or community centre	19	20	21	26	16	18	20	22	33	2
Youth group at place of worship	6	8	4	6	5	6	8	8	7	(
Cadet force	2	1	3	2	6	6	3	2	2	
Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme	2	1	5	4	4	3	3	2	1	3
Base - weighted	270	794	590	197	624	364	536	391	363	4128
Base - unweighted	261	611	810	206	875	529	294	247	296	4129

## 3.8 Influencing what activities are going to be put on in the local area

Fifteen per cent of the sample reported that they had been involved in choosing what activities were going to be put on in the area they lived in. Respondents in Durham and Tower Hamlets were the most likely to be involved (23% and 25% respectively), and the least likely were those in Bolton (10%) and Lincolnshire and Cambridgeshire (12% each).

Table 3.8: Characteristics of those involved with choosing what activities are going to be put on for young people in the area they live by EYPP area

Characteristics of respondents				<u>EYP</u>	pilot area	<u>a</u>				2008
			Sunder-				Notts		Tower	
	Liverpool	Bolton	land D	Durham <sup>1</sup>	Lincs	Cambs	City	Camden		Tota
Age									per	rcentages
14 and under	20	10	16	24	13	15	21	12	32	17
15 to 16	12	11	16	20	9	11	13	14	18	13
17 and over	a	[8]	[5]	a	а	а	а	[29]	а	17
Tr and over		[0]	[~]					[20]		
Sex										
Male	16	11	17	24	12	12	24	19	28	17
Female	15	9	15	22	12	13	10	14	18	13
Ethnic group										
White	14	8	15	21	11	12	12	13	[9]	13
BME	[23]	13	a	a a	[18]	[12]	27	17	29	21
BIVIE	رحا	10			[10]	[ ۱۳]	۷.		20	۷.
Long-term illness or disability										
Limited by disability	[5]	9	13	а	13	[5]	[18]	а	[21]	13
Not limited by disability	[24]	[5]	26	а	29	[24]	a	а	a	20
No disability	16	10	15	25	10	11	15	17	25	14
All involved	15	10	16	23	12	12	17	16	25	15
Age										
Base - weighted	100	0.07	200	70	050	444	400	00	404	4.40.6
14 and under	108	237	200	79 74	258	144	182	98	121	1426
15 to 16 17 and over	106 1	334 60	231 31	74	223 12	131 11	195 21	144 51	133 8	1571 197
17 and over	1	00	31	2	12	11	۷ ا	51	U	131
Base - unweighted										
14 and under	108	200	308	82	370	225	97	65	89	1544
15 to 16	99	247	296	81	305	176	110	86	117	1517
17 and over	1	37	26	2	15	13	12	34	8	148
Sex										
Base - weighted										
Male	114	323	233	72	242	139	191	137	194	1645
Female	100	305	233 227	83	2 <del>4</del> 2 251	148	205	154	68	1541
Base - unweighted			-	-						
Male	109	226	308	75	324	172	93	68	142	1517
Female	98	255	322	90	366	243	125	115	72	1686
Ethnic group										
Base - weighted										
White	182	412	446	149	473	255	273	84	47	2321
BME	31	216	14	5	16	32	121	206	214	857
Base - unweighted	177	246	240	100	660	270	150	50	40	2520
White BME	177 30	316 166	610 19	160 5	662 22	370 45	150 67	53 130	40 173	2538 657
BIVIE	30	100	19	5	22	40	0,	130	173	057
Long-term illness or disability										
Base - weighted										
Limited by disability	38	77	57	16	62	30	51	23	29	382
Not limited by disability	22	44	41	14	49	31	36	22	14	274
No disability	148	497	356	122	365	220	292	245	214	2 <b>4</b> 59
Base - unweighted										
Limited by disability	35	59	78	17	86	42	28	15	25	385
Not limited by disability	21	33	55	16	68	44	19	13	11	280
No disability	145	383	488	129	513	320	162	155	174	2469
All involved										
Base - weighted	217	632	461	155	493	288	398	297	265	3205
		484	631	165	690	416	219	187	216	3218

## 3.9 Young people's attitudes to local activities

#### 3.9.1 Access to information

Respondents were asked how easy they found it to find out about activities in their local area. Only 9% of young people said they found it 'very easy', while 37% said 'fairly easy' and 20% said 'very difficult'. The figure reporting that it was 'very easy' ranged from 5-6% in Camden, Lincolnshire and Cambridgeshire to 14% in Tower Hamlets.

				EYP	pilot area	1				2008
		\$	Sunder-				Notts		Tower	
	Liverpool	Bolton	land Du	ırham¹	Lincs	Cambs	City	Camden	Hamlets	Tota
										entages
Very easy	11	9	11	10	6	6	9	5	14	ç
Fairly easy	34	31	39	36	36	44	33	48	40	37
Fairly difficult	26	37	32	33	38	35	35	37	28	34
Very difficult	29	23	18	21	21	15	23	10	19	20
Base - weighted										
Very easy	30	69	64	19	37	22	50	19	50	359
Fairly easy	90	246	229	71	222	157	174	188	144	1522
Fairly difficult	69	289	186	66	233	126	182	145	100	1396
Very difficult	76	182	107	41	129	55	122	37	67	817
Base - unweighted										
Very easy	30	54	88	19	52	30	26	12	41	352
Fairly easy	87	193	318	75	311	226	96	117	117	1540
Fairly difficult	67	220	259	70	325	188	101	93	81	1404
Very difficult	73	138	140	42	183	79	66	24	55	800

#### 3.9.2 Satisfaction with activities

Almost half (46%) of the sample said that they were 'dissatisfied' with the number of activities available in their area, while 16% said that they were 'satisfied'. The proportion reporting being satisfied ranged from 11% in Lincolnshire through to 25% in Tower Hamlets.

	iii tiic local t	area by	EYPP ar	ea						
				EYP	pilot area	1				2008
	Liverpool	Bolton	Sunder- land I	Durham <sup>1</sup>	Lincs	Cambs	Notts City	Camden	Tower Hamlets	Tota
	· ·								perc	entages
Satisfied	15	13	16	19	11	16	18	21	25	16
Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied	43	39	37	30	39	35	34	45	36	38
Dissatisfied	43	48	46	51	49	49	49	35	39	46
Base - weighted										
Satisfied	39	103	94	37	70	57	93	80	87	659
Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied	113	307	217	58	241	126	180	172	128	1542
Dissatisfied	113	372	270	99	304	175	258	133	139	1865
Base - unweighted										
Satisfied	38	83	130	39	98	77	50	50	71	636
Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied	108	236	299	60	339	187	102	108	104	1543
Dissatisfied	109	282	369	105	426	257	139	86	114	1887

Having been asked about the number of activities available, respondents were then asked about 'how good' the activities were in their local area. One in five (20%) said that they were satisfied, and again this figure was considerably higher in Tower Hamlets (31%). Overall, two in five (40%) said that they were dissatisfied.

Table 3.9.3: How satisfied/dissatisfied with activities available for young people in the local area by EYPP area

				EYP	pilot area	3				2008
			Sunder-				Notts		Tower	
	Liverpool	Bolton	land D	urham¹	Lincs	Cambs	City	Camden	Hamlets	Total
									perd	entages
Satisfied	19	17	20	21	15	19	22	20	31	20
Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied	34	37	42	41	40	41	36	54	38	40
Dissatisfied	47	45	39	38	45	40	43	26	32	40
Base - weighted										
Satisfied	51	135	113	42	94	68	114	78	109	804
Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied	90	291	241	80	246	149	186	206	133	1622
Dissatisfied	124	354	225	74	274	143	222	99	112	1626
Base - unweighted										
Satisfied	50	106	157	43	130	94	62	47	88	777
Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied	86	226	332	83	345	221	103	132	111	1639
Dissatisfied	120	268	307	79	386	207	121	63	89	1640

## 4 Chapter: Facilitators of participation

## 4.1 Whether young people would like to spend more time on activities

## 4.1.1 Whether young people would like to spend more time on activities by area

Over three-quarters (77%) of young people said that they would like to spend more time doing the activities mentioned in the questionnaire (see section 5.2 for list of activities). Thirteen per cent of respondents answered 'don't know' to this question.

Young people in Durham were the most likely to report that they would like to spend more time doing any of the activities mentioned: 86% compared with 73-82% in the other areas.

Table 4.1.1: Whether would by EYPP area	like to spe	nd more	time tal	king par	t in act	ivities				
				EYP	pilot area	a				2008
			Sunder-				Notts		Tower	
	Liverpool	Bolton	land D	urham¹	Lincs	Cambs	City	Camden	Hamlets	Total
										percentages
Yes	79	73	76	86	74	82	76	81	79	77
No	9	14	10	5	10	7	9	6	13	10
Don't know	12	13	14	9	16	11	15	13	8	13
Base - weighted	266	780	585	192	620	364	529	391	361	4089
Base - unweighted	257	601	805	202	869	528	290	247	295	4094
<sup>1</sup> Please note that two methods of questionnaire distr	ribution were used i	n Durham. See	appendix for a	letails.						

### 4.1.2 Characteristics of young people who would like to spend more time on activities

The proportion reporting that they would like to spend more time doing any of the activities mentioned in the questionnaire decreased with age (80% of those aged 14 and under, compared with 71% of those aged 17 and over).

Males from black and minority ethnic groups were more likely than their white counterparts to report that they would like to spend more time taking part in activities (81% BME males and 75% white males). However, among females this difference was marginal: 80% of BME females wanted to spend more time on activities compared with 77% of white females.

Table 4.1.2: Characteristics of those that would like to spend more time taking part in activities by sex and age and ethnic group and EYPP area

Characteristics of respondents				EYP	pilot area	<u>a</u>				2008
			Sunder-				Notts		Tower	
	Liverpool	Bolton	land D	urham <sup>1</sup>	Lincs	Cambs	City	Camden	Hamlets	Tota
A										percentages
Age Aged 14 and under	83	78	83	90	75	87	77	84	75	8
Aged 15 to 16	75	76 71	73	90 81		79	77	75	75 81	7
Aged 17 and over	/5 a	[65]	[51]	O I	74 a	a	// a	[92]	o.	7
Males										
White	80	70	73	85	72	84	72	[69]	[74]	7
ВМЕ	[90]	77	а	а	а	[75]	[92]	83	78	8
Females										
White	72	74	79	85	76	83	73	[86]	[91]	7
BME	а	73	а	а	а	[80]	81	82		8
Age										
Base - weighted										
Aged 14 and under	135	307	250	99	329	185	230	132	164	183
Aged 15 to 16	127	402	301	89	277	166	269	194	188	201
Aged 17 and over	1	70	34	4	14	11	30	59	7	23
Base - unweighted	125	250	206	101	470	200	400	00	400	107
Aged 14 and under Aged 15 to 16	135 119	259 297	386 389	101 96	472 379	289 224	123 150	88 116	122 164	197 193
Aged 17 and over	1 1	297 44	389 29	96 5	379 18	13	17	40	764	193
Males										
Base - weighted										
White	110	255	279	87	288	153	181	46	37	143
BME	30	141	9	4	11	22	72	123	218	63
Base - unweighted										
White	105	181	371	90	386	190	88	24	27	146
ВМЕ	29	97	10	4	15	28	35	61	160	43
Females										
Base - weighted	100	004	004	00	005	400	400	50	00	4.45
White	103	234	284	99	305	166	183	58	22	145
BME	16	142	10	2	10	20	85	147	78	51
Base - unweighted	400	400	400	400	4.45	075	440	40	00	470
White	102	196	403	106	445	275	110	42	22	170
BME  1 Please note that two methods of questionnaire di	15	120	15	2	15	31	53	110	80	44

Respondents in receipt of Free School Meals (FSM) were more likely to report that they would like to participate in more activities than those that did not receive FSM (79% compared with 69%).

Table 4.1.3: Characteristics of those that would like to spend more time taking part in activities by family background and EYPP area Family background EYP pilot area Sunder-Notts Tower Liverpool **Bolton** land Durham<sup>1</sup> Lincs Cambs City Camden **Hamlets** Total percentages Who lives in household Father/mother's partner/stepfather/foster father Mother/father's partner/stepmother/foster mother Other guardian [69] [56] [77] [65] [65] Brothers or sisters Any other relative [66] [90] [78] [75] а Any other person [68] [85] Young carer [85] [89] Yes Νo Working status of parents/guardians One or more parent/guardian in paid work [73] No parent/guardian in paid work Does not live with any parent/guardian [68] [79] [73] [79] Whether receives free school meals (FSM) FSM recipient Not FSM recipient [82] [79] [69] [71] Don't know Who lives in household Base - weighted Father/mother's partner/stepfather/foster father Mother/father's partner/stepmother/foster mother Other guardian Brothers or sisters Any other relative Any other person Base - unweighted Father/mother's partner/stepfather/foster father Mother/father's partner/stepmother/foster mother Other guardian Brothers or sisters Any other relative Any other person Young carer Base - weighted Yes Νo Base unweighted Yes Νo Working status of parents/guardians Base - weighted One or more parent/guardian in paid work No parent/guardian in paid work Does not live with any parent/guardian Base - unweighted One or more parent/guardian in paid work 6.3 No parent/guardian in paid work Does not live with any parent/guardian Whether receives free school meals (FSM) Base - weighted FSM recipient Not FSM recipient Don't know Base - unweighted FSM recipient Not FSM recipient Don't know 

Please note that two methods of questionnaire distribution were used in Durham. See appendix for details

## 4.2 Facilitators of greater participation

Forty-two per cent of young people suggested that if friends or family were also involved, it would make it easier for them to do these activities. A similar proportion (41%) said that getting the cost of activities paid would help. The three next most mentioned facilitators of greater participation in activities were: 'If I knew more about the sorts of things that are available'; 'If I knew I could get any transport expenses paid'; and 'If I knew it would help improve my skills' (37%, 35% and 34% respectively).

There were differences between males and females in the types of participation facilitators mentioned. For example, half (50%) of females said that they would find it easier to take part if friends or family got involved with them, compared with two-thirds (36%) of males.

by EYPP area										
Most commonly mentioned facilitators				EYP	pilot are	a				2008
		;	Sunder-				Notts		Tower	
	Liverpool	Bolton	land D	urham <sup>1</sup>	Lincs	Cambs	City	Camden	Hamlets	Tota entages
									pero	ernages
Males										
If I knew I could get the cost of activities paid	35	37	42	55	36	60	38	50	30	40
If my friends or family got involved with me	39	35	38	45	34	34	34	37	32	36
If I knew I could get any transport expenses paid	29	36	36	49	31	50	37	32	23	3
If I knew more about the sorts of things that are available	31	30	34	40	31	40	37	41	32	34
If someone could provide transport when I needed it	32	32	28	45	29	45	36	24	22	3
Females										
If my friends or family got involved with me	47	46	54	54	47	50	48	54	54	50
If I knew I could get the cost of activities paid	36	39	41	47	39	55	39	54	22	42
If I knew more about the sorts of things that are available	35	38	39	45	42	43	38	41	36	40
If I knew it would help improve my skills	36	34	34	32	29	30	39	47	42	3
If I knew I could get any transport expenses paid	22	36	36	46	37	47	31	31	22	3
All										
If my friends or family got involved with me	42	41	46	50	41	42	41	46	39	42
If I knew I could get the cost of activities paid	35	37	41	51	37	57	39	52	28	4
If I knew more about the sorts of things that are available	33	34	36	43	37	42	37	41	33	37
If I knew I could get any transport expenses paid	25	35	36	48	34	48	33	31	23	35
If I knew it would help improve my skills	35	31	31	32	29	31	37	44	39	34
Males										
Base - weighted	146	408	294	94	304	178	259	171	259	2114
Base - unweighted	140	287	388	96	407	221	126	86	190	1941
Females										
Base - weighted	119	381	295	102	321	186	273	211	101	1989
Base - unweighted	117	320	420	110	468	307	166	156	104	2168
All										
Base - weighted	270	794	590	197	624	364	536	391	363	4128
Base - unweighted	261	611	810	206	875	529	294	247	296	4129

Overall, there were few differences between white and BME young people in the reported facilitators to participation.

Most commonly mentioned facilitators	ī			E	YP pilot a	rea				200
		9	Sunder-						Tower	
	Liverpool	Bolton	land	Durham <sup>1</sup>	Lincs	Cambs	Notts City	Camden		Tota
									perc	entage
White										
If my friends or family got involved with me	41	40	46	50	41	43	41	41	49	4
If I knew I could get the cost of activities paid	34	35	42	52	38	57	37	49	32	4
If I knew more about the sorts of things that are available	31	31	37	43	37	42	34	37	47	3
If I knew I could get any transport expenses paid	26	36	36	49	34	50	33	26	25	3
If someone could provide transport when I needed it	28	34	30	42	32	43	31	14	30	3
ВМЕ										
If my friends or family got involved with me	[50]	41	[47]	а	[48]	34	43	48	36	4
If I knew I could get the cost of activities paid	[43]	42	[30]	а	[40]	56	44	53	27	4
If I knew it would help improve my skills	[44]	30	[25]	а	[39]	28	44	48	39	3
If I knew more about the sorts of things that are available	[42]	39	[25]	а	[37]	41	44	43	31	3
If a friend/family member asked me directly	[30]	30	[42]	a a	[36]	24	39	39	41	3
White				-						
Base - weighted	220	498	566	189	597	321	374	106	59	293
Base - unweighted	214	384	777	199	837	467	204	67	50	319
ВМЕ										
Base - weighted	46	288	19	8	21	42	158	276	299	115
Base - unweighted	44	221	26	7	30	59	88	175	242	89

## **Appendix A - Technical report**

#### 5 Introduction

## 5.1 Background

The Department for Children Schools and Families (DCSF) commissioned the National Centre for Social Research (NatCen) and the National Foundation for Educational Research (NFER) to carry out an evaluation of the Empowering Young People Pilots (EYPP).

EYPP is a project aimed at encouraging young people to take part in positive activities. It is currently being piloted in nine Local Authorities across England.

The project is aimed at young people, aged 13 to 17, from deprived backgrounds. They are given spending power (e.g. through virtual accounts accessed through and supervised by a youth work facilitator) to help them access a number of activities. EYPP operates differently in each of the pilot areas. For more information on EYPP in each area, see Appendix C.

The outcome evaluation consists of a before-and-after study of young people in the pilot EYPP areas, as well as in three 'comparison' areas. The before stage consists of a baseline postal questionnaire, sent to the young person via their parent / guardian. Those who chose to take part in this stage were asked whether they consented to being re-contacted 8-10 months later for a follow-up survey. In both stages, the young person is asked about the activities in which they take part, their attitudes towards activities, possible facilitators to participation in activities, and some background questions about themselves.

#### 5.2 An overview of the evaluation method

The outcome evaluation consists of a baseline postal survey, and then a telephone follow-up survey 8-10 months later (i.e. beginning in November 2008).

The baseline postal survey was conducted between December 2007 and July 2008. Questionnaires were sent to the targeted young people in the individual pilot areas prior to the EYPP launch. In the pilot areas, 15,128 cases were issued and 4,129 productive questionnaires were returned.

The comparison areas fieldwork was conducted between June and July 2008. 3072 cases were issued in the comparison areas, and 766 questionnaires were returned.

The self-completion questionnaire focused on the following key areas:

- Demographic characteristics of the young person;
- Types of activity participated in (within 6 groups of activities: sports, performing and creative arts; courses and other learning-related activities; cinema / theatre and events; museums / galleries and places of interest; and youth groups and other activities);
- Frequency of participation;
- And general feelings and attitudes to learning.

The follow-up survey will be carried out using Computer-Assisted Telephone Interviewing (CATI). This stage of the research is intended to identify any changes in behaviour by young people since the baseline postal survey.

The follow-up questionnaire will cover similar topics to the postal survey, though with a focus on awareness of, interest in, and participation in relevant EYPP schemes in pilot areas. For example, it will aim to find out whether the young people have signed up to the scheme (and if not, why not).

Within the EYPP local authorities, we will follow up all those young people who:

- Responded to the baseline postal survey;
- Consented to being re-contacted;
- Provided a telephone number for re-contact; and
- Took part in the local EYPP scheme.

Within the EYPP areas, the evaluation will also follow-up an equal number of young people who met the first three criteria above but who chose not to take part in the local EYPP scheme (non-participants). These will be selected to match as closely as possible those who took part in the schemes. Matching will be carried out using a number of key variables (demographic and behavioural) from the baseline questionnaire.

In the comparison areas, we will follow up a matched sample of young people. Again, these would be matched on the basis of responses to questions in the baseline survey.

The exact number of young people re-contacted for the follow-up survey will be dependent on the proportion signing up to the schemes but it is expected that between 2,000 and 3,000 cases will be issued.

## 6 Methodology

## 6.1 Sampling

The nine pilot local authorities hold sample details for young people in their area for all of the individuals eligible for EYPP. For the most part, these are young people who are looked after and/or eligible for free school meals (FSM), though in some local authorities the targeted cohort is a subset of this broader group. All individuals eligible for EYPP were included in the survey.

Five local authorities provided an Excel file sample containing the following information to NatCen:

- Forename
- Family name
- Full address
- Postcode
- A unique identifier for each individual (to allow sample information to be linked back to LA databases)
- Gender
- Age / DOB
- Ethnicity

Four local authorities did not supply a sample file containing the young person's contact information (as listed above) to NatCen. These authorities were supplied with fieldwork documents, and a list of serial numbers, so that they could send out the questionnaires themselves.

#### 6.2 Questionnaire design

As part of the development process, the self-completion questionnaire was tested using cognitive interviewing techniques. The cognitive stage aimed to test how well the questions worked. For example, it scoped out the kinds of activities young people have been doing and how well they recall certain time frames.

Comments were collected from researchers at NatCen and, following consultation with DCSF and NFER, some changes were made to the questionnaire. Given that literacy problems are likely to be more common among the target cohorts for the study than among young people as a whole in these age groups the questionnaire was professionally designed. This was so as to be relevant and attractive to the targeted young people, as well as easy to understand and to complete.

## 7 Fieldwork

#### 7.1 Processes

Questionnaires were distributed via post to the targeted young people in each local authority prior EYPP scheme launch.

Three comparison areas were included in the baseline stage to enable an evaluation of the relative effectiveness of the scheme. For each of the comparison areas a baseline postal questionnaire was sent to the whole of the eligible population ('eligibility' being defined to encompass the same key eligibility criteria used in pilot areas). Given the timing of fieldwork for the comparison areas, data for these areas was not available to include in this baseline report.

The initial questionnaire pack was addressed to the young person's parent/guardian. This pack contained a letter to the parent/guardian explaining the study, and asking them to pass on the questionnaire and a separate cover letter to the young person and to encourage him/her to complete and return the questionnaire (in the pre-paid return envelope).

In order to maximise response, a reminder process was used. There were two stages to this:

- a postcard reminder wave sent to the young person reminding them to return the survey about two weeks after the initial mail-out:
- a final full-pack reminder containing different covering letters, a new copy of the questionnaire and another pre-paid envelope about four weeks after the initial mail-out.

In practice, the fieldwork period for some of the areas was shorter (the optimum period was 8 weeks). This consequently had an impact on the feasibility of administering the two stage reminder process for some local authorities where the fieldwork period was reduced. See table 1 for details.

#### Durham

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Two methods of questionnaire distribution were used for Durham. The first (Durham 1) was the standard method of NatCen distribution to the eligible sample of young people. Due to the small initial sample provided, a second method (Durham 2) of distribution was used to increase the sample size. This involved the provision of questionnaire packs by Durham's Children & Young People's Services team to young people who had shown interest in the EYPP scheme (the questionnaire packs were provided alongside the EYPP registration packs). In order to ensure that baseline information was captured, young people from the Durham 2 sample could not access their EYPP funds on their EYPP accounts until one week after they received the questionnaire<sup>6</sup>.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Please note, therefore, that it is possible that some young people in the Durham 2 sample might have participated in EYPP activities before completing the questionnaire.

Table A1 provides detailed information on the fieldwork schedule by area:

Table A1

Area	Fieldwork start	Postcard reminder	Full-pack reminder	Fieldwork close
Lincolnshire	17/12/2007	✓	<b>✓</b>	04/02/2008
Durham 1	01/02/2008			18/02/2008
Durham 2	01/02/2008			13/05/2008
Sunderland	11/03/2008		<b>✓</b>	25/04/2008
Liverpool	17/12/2007	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	18/02/2008
Tower Hamlets	22/01/2008	✓	<b>✓</b>	14/04/2008
Camden	13/03/2008		<b>✓</b>	28/04/2008
Bolton	26/02/2008	✓	<b>√</b>	13/05/2008
Cambridgeshire	21/02/2008		<b>✓</b>	21/04/2008
Nottingham City	02/04/2008		<b>✓</b>	13/05/2008

## 7.2 Response

Overall response was 29% but the rate varied between areas, from 16% in Nottingham City to 40% in Lincolnshire and 41% in Cambridgeshire. Table A2 shows response rates by area.

Table A2

	Lincs	Liverpool	Durham 1	Durham 2	Tower Hamlets		Sunder- land	Bolton	Notts City	Camden	Total
Total sample Issued	2227	1015			1277		2093	2822	1905	1388	
Deadwood <sup>1</sup>	41(2%)	65(6%)	6(2%)	0(0%)	8(1%)	432(25%)	29(1%)	43(2%)	29(2%)	11(1%)	664
Refusals <sup>2</sup>	10(0%)	7(1%)	0(0%)	0(0%)	0(0%)	6(0%)	2(0%)	7(0%)	3(0%)	1(0%)	36
Other non-productive	5(0%)	9(1%)	0(0%)	0(0%)	11(1%)	1(0%)	4(0%)	6(0%)	5(0%)	4(0%)	45
Not returned	1296(58%)	673(66%)	227(66%)	255(73%)	962(75%)	739(43%)	1248(60%)	2155(76%)	1574(83%)	1125(81%)	10254
PRODUCTIVES	875	261	111	95	296	529	810	611	294	247	4129
RESPONSE RATE <sup>3</sup>	40	27	33	27	23	41	39	22	16	18	29
Fieldwork start date	17/12/2007	17/12/2007	01/02/2008	01/02/2008	22/01/2008	21/02/2008	11/03/2008	26/02/2008	02/04/2008	13/03/2008	
Fieldwork close date	04/02/2008	18/02/2008	18/02/2008	13/05/2008	14/04/2008	21/04/2008	25/04/2008	13/05/2008	13/05/2008	28/04/2008	

1 Deadwood codes are: Inadequate address, found to be ineligible, address not known, not known at address, gone away, house demolished and other reasons.

2 A refusal is coded when the young person or their parent/guardian has telephone or written to the office to say that they do not wish to take part in the survey.

3 Deadwood cases have been excluded from the total sampled issued when calculating response.

## 8 Data and analysis

#### 8.1 Dataset

Data collected from the survey was subject to a thorough editing process. The final dataset used for analysis contained 4129 productive cases from the nine pilot areas.

#### 8.2 Weighting

Non-response weights are calculated to correct for the effects of differential non-response to the surveys. Weighting for non-response involves applying a weight to each respondent so that the overall weighted sample data matches the full issued sample on a few key variables. For example, males will be under-represented in the sample if we do not weight for non-response, as the response rate for males was lower than that for females. The lower the response rate, the higher the weight applied.

For EYPP, the only information we had available (from LAs) on non-respondents was age and sex, so weights were calculated using age-sex groups (for each Local Authority separately)<sup>7</sup>. The number of respondents and the total issued sample in each age-sex category were calculated to obtain the response rate for each group. The non-response weights were then generated as the inverse of the response rates; hence groups with a low response rate got a larger weight, increasing their representation in the sample.

Where there were only a few cases in any age-sex group, this group was combined with another age-sex group before calculating the combined-group response rate. This was done to ensure that the variability in the final weights was kept to a tolerable level. (The rationale behind this is that having a small number of respondents with very different weights to others does very little to reduce bias, but can lead to a marked increase in standard errors. So, calculating separate weights for small sub-groups tends to be avoided.)

As a final stage, the weights were scaled (i.e. multiplied by a constant factor) to give a total weighted sample size equal to the unweighted sample size of respondents.

Table A3 shows the profile of respondents and non-respondents, according to the information held by the LAs. The profile of survey respondents was slightly younger than non-respondents: 53% were aged 14 and under, compared with 49% of non-respondents; and 4% were aged 17 and over, compared with 7% of non-respondents.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> NB the age variable provided by LAs was used for weighting, whereas the results themselves are by self-reported age. There was some disparity between the two (see also Table 2.1) since the data on self-reported age were collected later, therefore the sample is slightly older.

Table A3: Characteristics of respondents and non respondents, based on LA-provided information

	Respondents	Respondents	Non-respondents
	unweighted	weighted	unweighted
			percentages
Age			
14 and under	53	50	49
15 to 16	43	45	45
17 and over	4	5	7
Sex			
Male	48	52	54
Female	52	48	46
Age			
Base - weighted	-	4132	-
Base - unweighted	4132	-	10325
Sex			
Base - weighted	-	4105	-
Base - unweighted	4101	-	10262

# 8.3 Significance testing: minimum percentage point difference between two groups for statistical significance (at 5% level)

		N for G	Froup 1								
N for Group 2	%	100	200	300	400	500	600	700	800	900	1000
100	10% or 90%	8	7	7	7	6	6	6	6	6	6
100	20% or 80%	11	10	9	9	9	8	8	8	8	8
100	30% or 70%	13	11	10	10	10	10	10	10	9	9
100	40% or 60%	14	12	11	11	11	10	10	10	10	10
100	50%	14	12	11	11	11	11	10	10	10	10
200	10% or 90%	7	6	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5
200	20% or 80%	10	8	7	7	7	6	6	6	6	6
200	30% or 70%	11	9	8	8	8	7	7	7	7	7
200	40% or 60%	12	10	9	8	8	8	8	8	8	7
200	50%	12	10	9	8	8	8	8	8	8	8
300	10% or 90%	7	5	5	4	4	4	4	4	4	4
300	20% or 80%	9	7	6	6	6	6	5	5	5	5
300	30% or 70%	10	8	7	7	7	6	6	6	6	6
300	40% or 60%	11	9	8	7	7	7	7	7	6	6
300	50%	11	9	8	7	7	7	7	7	7	6
400	10% or 90%	7	5	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	3
400	20% or 80%	9	7	6	6	5	5	5	5	5	5
400	30% or 70%	10	8	7	6	6	6	6	6	5	5
400	40% or 60%	11	8	7	7	6	6	6	6	6	6
400	50%	11	8	7	7	7	6	6	6	6	6
500	10% or 90%	6	5	4	4	4	4	3	3	3	3
500	20% or 80%	9	7	6	5	5	5	5	4	4	4
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500	40% or 60%	11	8	7	6	6	6	6	5	5	5
500	50%	11	8	7	7	6	6	6	6	5	5
600	10% or 90%	6	5	4	4	4	3	3	3	3	3
600	20% or 80%	8	6	6	5	5	5	4	4	4	4
600	30% or 70%	10	7	6	6	5	5	5	5	5	5
600	40% or 60%	10	8	7	6	6	6	5	5	5	5
600	50%	11	8	7	6	6	6	5	5	5	5
700	10% or 90%	6	5	4	4	3	3	3	3	3	3
700	20% or 80%	8	6	5	5	5	4	4	4	4	4
700	30% or 70%	10	7	6	6	5	5	5	5	5	4
700	40% or 60%	10	8	7	6	6	5	5	5	5	5
700	50%	10	8	7	6	6	5	5	5	5	5
800	10% or 90%	6	5	4	4	3	3	3	3	3	3
800	20% or 80%	8	6	5	5	4	4	4	4	4	4
800	30% or 70%	10	7	6	6	5	5	5	4	4	4
800	40% or 60%	10	8	7	6	5	5	5	5	5	5
800	50%	10	8	7	6	6	5	5	5	5	5
900	10% or 90%	6	5	4	4	3	3	3	3	3	3
900	20% or 80%	8	6	5	5	4	4	4	4	4	4
900	30% or 70%	9	7	6	5	5	5	5	4	4	4
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1000	30% or 70%	9	7	6	5	5	5	4	4	4	4
1000	40% or 60%	10	7	6	6	5	5	5	5	4	4
1000	50%	10	8	6	6	5	5	5	5	5	4

Example: Suppose we are comparing two percentages: 30% from Group 1 which has a sample size of 220, and 44% from Group 2 which has a sample size of 340.

Then the average of the two percentages is 37%. From the table the closest figures are: Sample size for Group 1 of 200; sample size for Group 2 of 300; and average percentage of 40%. From the table, a percentage point difference of 9 or more will be significant. Since 44%-30%=14 and this is greater than 9, the difference between the two groups **is** significant.

## **Appendix B - Survey documents**

## Letter 1 (Advance letter to parent / guardian - NatCen mail-out)

Dear Parent or Guardian,

The Department for Children, Schools and Families (DCSF) is interested in finding out more about the activities available for young people in your area. For this reason, it has asked the National Centre for Social Research to carry out a study among young people. The study is looking at the types of activities that young people take part in.

Your child's name was supplied to us by your local authority which is helping DCSF with the study. The results of the study will be used by the government and your local authority to help plan better activities for young people in the future.

Your child's answers will be treated in strict confidence in accordance with the Data Protection Act.

I hope that you will agree to your child taking part. If you are happy for your child to help us with the study, please pass him/her the letter and questionnaire enclosed. Every young person's views are important to us so we may send a reminder to your child if we don't hear back. Your child can send back the questionnaire in the envelope provided - there is no need to put a stamp on it.

We may also want to telephone your child in a few months time to ask if he/she would be willing to answer some more questions about activities for young people. There is a section at the end of the questionnaire that asks if he / she would be happy to be contacted again and we ask for a telephone number to be written in. If your child agrees to be contacted again we will write to him/her before the telephone survey starts.

If you have any questions about this survey, please contact Helen Selwood at the National Centre on freephone 0800 652 4572 or write to her at National Centre, Blue Team, Operations Dept, NatCen, 101-135 Kings Road, Kings House, Brentwood, Essex CM14 4LX.

Thank you for your support with this important research.

Yours faithfully,

#### Letter 1 (Advance letter to parent / guardian - LA mail-out)

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Your child's name was picked by your local authority, which is helping DCSF with the study by mailing out these packs. The results of the study will be used by the government and your local authority to help plan better activities for young people in the future.

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#### Letter 2 (Advance letter to young person - NatCen mail-out)

### Dear [Forename] [Surname] (young person's name to be merged-in)

We hope you will be able to help us with our study about the kinds of activities young people do in your area. We want you to tell us about any activities you've done recently. We'd also like to know a bit about you so we can see who is interested in what activities. Everything you tell us will be kept confidential.

NatCen is an independent research organisation that has been asked to do a study for the Department for Children, Schools and Families (DCSF). Your name was picked from a local council list of young people in your area. The information from this study will help the government and your council plan better activities for young people, like yourself, in the future.

Your views are really important to us so please fill in the questionnaire enclosed and return it using the envelope provided. You do not need a stamp. We explain more about what we would like you to do on the front of the questionnaire.

It doesn't matter whether you do loads of things or nothing at all - we are interested in everybody. Your answers will be treated in strict confidence in accordance with the Data Protection Act. The general findings will be made available to the local council but no-one will be able to identify you or any other young person.

We may also want to telephone you in a few months time to ask if you would be willing to answer a few more questions about activities for young people. If you are happy to do this, please sign your name on the last page of the questionnaire and give us a phone number where we can call you. If you do agree to be contacted again we will write to you before we telephone.

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Yours sincerely,

## Letter 2 (Advance letter to young person - LA mail-out)

#### Dear Young Person

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Thank you for your support with this important research.

Yours sincerely,

#### Postcard reminder



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## You and the things you do

Recently we sent you a questionnaire, asking about you and any activities that you've done recently. Your views are very important and we would like to hear from you.

If you have already returned the questionnaire - thank you. If not, please fill in the questionnaire and return it to us as soon as you can. The envelope we gave you does not need a stamp.

Thank you for your help.

Helen Selwood

HR Selwood

**Project Controller** 

The National Centre for Social Research Blue Team, Operations Dept., NatCen 101-135 Kings Road, Kings House Brentwood

FREE TELEPHONE FOR ANY QUESTIONS: 0800 652 4572



## and the things you do

This questionnaire is part of a study about the activities for young people in different parts of England. The study is being carried out by NatCen, an independent research organisation, for the Department for Children, Schools and Families (DCSF).

We would like to hear from you about activities for young people in your area. So please take your time to look over the questions, and tell us about you by simply ticking the boxes.

## Some instructions on how to fill in the questions are given on the back page.

All the answers that you give in this study will be confidential and will not be shown to anyone that you know, so please be honest with your views. Your answers will be collected together with the views of other young people in your area and will be used to help your local council plan better activities for people like you in the future.

We hope you will enjoy taking part in this important piece of research.

THANKS VERY MUCH FOR YOUR HELP

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WE PROMISE THAT YOUR ANSWERS ARE CONFIDENTIAL.
THEY WILL NOT BE SHOWN TO ANYONE THAT YOU KNOW

	ABOUT YOU	
Are	you? Please tick <u>o</u>	ne box only
	Male [	1
	Female [	2
Hov	w old are you now?  Please tick	one box only
	12 or under	01
	13 [	02
	14 [	03
	15 [	04
	16 [	05
	17 [	06
	18 or over	07
Are	you currently doing any of the following activities?	
Are		hat apply to you
Are	Please tick <u>all</u> t	<b>¬</b>
Are	Please tick <u>all</u> t At school	01
Are	Please tick <u>all</u> to At school  At a college (studying for a qualification)	01
Are	Please tick <u>all</u> t At school At a college (studying for a qualification) Paid work	01 02 03
	Please tick <u>all</u> to At school  At a college (studying for a qualification)  Paid work  Work-based training	01 02 03 04
	Please tick <u>all</u> to At school  At a college (studying for a qualification)  Paid work  Work-based training  Voluntary work	01 02 03 04 05
0	Please tick <u>all</u> to At school  At a college (studying for a qualification)  Paid work  Work-based training  Voluntary work  Other training or personal development courses or activities	01 02 03 04 05 06
0	Please tick all to At school  At a college (studying for a qualification)  Paid work  Work-based training  Voluntary work  Other training or personal development courses or activities  Looking for a job, education or training place	01 02 03 04 05 06 07
0	Please tick all to At school  At a college (studying for a qualification)  Paid work  Work-based training  Voluntary work  Other training or personal development courses or activities  Looking for a job, education or training place  sking a break from study or work (include taking a gap year)	01 02 03 04 05 06 07 08
0	At school  At a college (studying for a qualification)  Paid work  Work-based training  Voluntary work  Other training or personal development courses or activities  Looking for a job, education or training place  sking a break from study or work (include taking a gap year)  Looking after your child or children	01 02 03 04 05 06 07 08 09
0	At school  At a college (studying for a qualification)  Paid work  Work-based training  Voluntary work  ther training or personal development courses or activities  Looking for a job, education or training place  sking a break from study or work (include taking a gap year)  Looking after your child or children  Looking after the home or other family members	01 02 03 04 05 06 07 08 09 10

Are you currently receiving Free School Meals?	1041
Please tick one box	only
Yes – I always / usually take them	
Yes – I sometimes take them	
Yes – but I never / hardly ever take them	
No 🗔 4	
Don't know ☐ 5	
SPORTS	
The next questions are about various activities you might have don	e.
We only need to know about activities you do <u>outside of school hou</u> <u>Do not</u> include anything you do at school lunch or break times, but <u>g</u> anything you do before and after school, and at the weekend.	
So, thinking about your spare time <u>outside of school hours</u>	1042-1095 SPARE 1096-1103
Have you taken part in any of these sports activities in the last 4 weeks?	
Please tick <u>all</u> activ you have done in last 4 weeks	
Badminton / Squash 🔠 👊	
——————————————————————————————————————	
Basketball	
Basketball 02 Cricket 000	
Cricket ∞	
Cricket 000	
Cricket   Football   Hockey (including street hockey)    **Street football   **Street	
Cricket	
Cricket	
Cricket 600  Football 600  Hockey (including street hockey) 600  Netball / Volleyball 600  Rugby 600  Rugby 600  Table tennis 600  Sounders / Softball / Baseball 600  Table tennis 600  Sounders / Softball / Sounders 600  Sounders 600  Table tennis 6000  Table tennis 600	
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	Please tick <u>all</u> activites you have done in the last 4 weeks	
	Canoeing / rowing / sailing 12	
	Swimming 14	
	Athletics 15	
	Boxing / Martial arts / Judo / Karate 110	
	Cycling 17	
	Dance exercise / Aerobics 18	
	Gym / Circuit training 19	
	Gymnastics 20	
	Walking / climbing / Orienteering 21	
	Yoga / Pilates 22	
	Skateboarding / rollerblading / roller-skating	
	Ice skating / Ice hockey 24	
	Snowboarding / Skiing 25	
	Other (Please write in)	
	None of these	
Now, th	ninking about <u>all</u> of the sporting activities you have taken part in	1104
6 He	ow often have you taken part in <u>any</u> of these porting activities in the last 4 weeks?	
	Please tick <u>one</u> box only	
	Once¹	
	Twice 2	
	Three times ³	
	Four times or more 4	
	Have not taken part in the last 4 weeks	
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Γ	PERFORMING AND CREATIVE ARTS
	Thinking again about your spare time outside of school hours
	Have you taken part in <u>any</u> of these activities connected with performing or creative arts in the last 4 weeks?  Please tick <u>all</u> activites you have done in the last 4 weeks
	Dance of
	Drama / acting / theatre group
	Playing a musical instrument 🔲 🚥
	Singing e.g. in a choir, band 🔲 👊
	Music production / sound engineering
	DJ-ing / MC-ing
	Writing music, stories, poetry 🔲 🛚
	Journalism ∞
	Painting, drawing or graffiti art 🔲 🏻
	Crafts e.g. jewellery making, pottery, woodwork, fashion
	Photography, video or film making (not including holiday snaps)
	Creating a website, blogging 12
	Other performing or creative activity (Please write in)
	None of these 14
	Now, thinking about <u>all</u> of the activities connected with performing or creative arts you have taken part in  B How often have you taken part in <u>any</u> of these activities connected with performing or creative arts in the last 4 weeks?  Please tick <u>one</u> box only
	Once
	Twice ²
	Three times 3
	Four times or more 4
	Have not taken part in the last 4 weeks
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Г	COURSES AND OTHER LEARNING-RELATED ACTIVITIES
	Remember, we are interested in what you do <u>outside of school hours</u> .  So, thinking about your spare time outside of school hours
	Have you taken part in <u>any</u> of these courses or other learning-related activities in the last 4 weeks? Please do not include any activities you have already mentioned elsewhere in this questionnaire.
	Please tick <u>all</u> activites you have done in the last 4 weeks
	Homework club / Saturday or Sunday School / Summer School or
	First aid course o2
	Computer / IT course ºº
	Learning another language º-
	Young Enterprise Scheme   ss
	Other learning-related activity (Please write in)
	None of these 07
	Now, thinking about <u>all</u> of the courses or learning-related activities you have taken part in
	How often have you taken part in <u>any</u> of these courses or learning-related activities in the last 4 weeks?
	Please tick <u>one</u> box only
	Once 1
	Twice 2
	Three times 3
	Four times or more 4
	Have not taken part in the last 4 weeks
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Γ	CINEMA, THEATRE AND EVENTS	1
	Thinking about your time outside of school hours.	
	Have you been to see <u>any</u> of the following events in the last 4 weeks?	
	Please tick <u>all</u> activites you have done in the last 4 weeks	
	Film at cinema or other venue or	
	Plays / musicals 02	
	Gigs / concerts / music festivals   os	
	Comedy shows 04	
	Classical music concerts / opera   os	
	Dance performance e.g. modern dance / ballet   onumber	
	Cultural festival e.g. Mela, Baisakhi 🔲 👓	
	Carnival, street fair or fete °	
	Sporting event (such as football match)	
	Nightclubs (including under 18s club nights)	
	Other events (Please write in)	
	None of these 12	
	Now, thinking about <u>all</u> of the events you have been to	
	How often have you been to <u>any</u> events like these in the last 4 weeks?	
	Please tick <u>one</u> box only	
	Once 1	
	Twice ²	
	Three times <sup>3</sup>	
	Four times or more 4	
	Have not been in the last 4 weeks	
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## **MUSEUMS, GALLERIES AND PLACES OF INTEREST** Thinking about trips outside of school hours... Have you visited any of these places of interest in the last 4 weeks? Please tick all activites you have done in the last 4 weeks Museums Art galleries Public libraries Trade or craft fair / exhibition or show (such as Clothes Show Live or Top Gear MPH show) Parks or gardens open to the public Historic building or monument open to the public [ (such as a castle or stately home) Theme park (such as Alton Towers) Other places of interest (Please write in) None of these Now, thinking about all of the places of interest you have been to... How often have you been to any places like these in the last 4 weeks? Please tick one box only Once Twice Three times Four times or more Have not been in the last 4 weeks Page 8

Γ	YOUTH GROUPS AND OTHER ACTIVITIES
	Thinking about your spare time outside of school hours 1228-1249 SPARE 1244-1251
	Have you taken part in <u>any</u> of these youth groups or activities in the last 4 weeks?  Please tick <u>all</u> activites you have done in the last 4 weeks
	Youth group at a place of worship o1
	Other youth club / community centre 02
	Holiday club / scheme 🔃 🛚
	Scouts or Guides
	Cadet force os
	Duke of Edinburgh Award scheme   os
	Other youth activities (Please write in)
	None of these ®
	Now, thinking about <u>all</u> of the youth groups or activities you have taken part in <sup>1852</sup>
	How often have you taken part in <u>any</u> of these youth groups or
	activities in the last 4 weeks?  Please tick one box only
	Once
	Twice 2
	Three times □
	Four times or more
	Have not taken part in the last 4 weeks
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	FINDING OUT ABOUT ACTIVITIES
17 How	easy or difficult is it to find out information about activities oung people in your local area?
	Please tick <u>one</u> box only
	Very easy
	Fairly easy ²
	Fairly difficult <sup>a</sup>
	Very difficult 4
18 How avail	satisfied or dissatisfied are you with how <u>many</u> activities there are able for young people in your local area?
	Please tick <u>one</u> box only
	Satisfied
	Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied
	Dissatisfied 3
How avail	satisfied or dissatisfied are you with how <u>good</u> the activities  space 125-12 space 125-12
	Please tick <u>one</u> box only
	Satisfied
	Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied 2
	Dissatisfied 3
	Your time
	ld you like to spend more time doing any of the activities mentioned //
	- Please tick <u>one</u> box only
	Yes ☐ → Go to question 21
	No ☐ → Go to question 22
	Don't know ☐ → Go to question 22

activities you would	
If a friend / family me	Please tick <u>all</u> that apply to you ember asked me directly to get involved
	know asked me directly to get involved
IT m	ny friends or family got involved with me
	If I had more free time
If I knew l	I could get any transport expenses paid
If I knew I	I could get the cost of the activities paid
If someone c	ould provide transport when I needed it
lflk	new it would improve my job prospects 🔃 😘
	If I could do it from home 🔃 👓
lf s	there to help get me started 170
lf I k	knew it would help me improve my skills 🔲 🖽
If I knew more ab	out the sorts of things that are available 12
	Other (Please write in)
Have you been invo	lved with choosing what activities are going to
be put on for young	people in your area?  Please tick one box only
	Yes¹
	No 2
	Don't know

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	WHAT YOU THINK ABOUT LEARNING
	Please tick the box that comes closest to showing how you feel about your school work?
	Please tick one box only
	Happy
	Neither happy nor unhappy 2
	Unhappy a
	This time, please tick one box for <u>each</u> of these statements to show
	whether you agree or disagree  Tick <u>one</u> box on each line
	Agree Neither Disagree
	agree nor disagree
	School is worthwhile 3 1298
	I'm not interested in doing any learning
	I'm able to make decisions about my future 1300
	I know where to go for help and information about things that are important to me
	I am happy to ask for help and information when I need it
	GENERAL FEELINGS
	The next few questions are about how you feel about different things.  Please tick the box that comes closest to showing how you feel about the following things:
	Tick <u>one</u> box on each line
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	Your appearance?
	Your health?
	Your family?
	Your friends?
	The area you live in?
	Your life as a whole? 1908
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ls there anyone living with you who you look after or give special help to  because they are elderly, or have a long standing illness or disability?
Please tick <u>one</u> box only
Yes 1
No ²
HOUSEHOLD
It would be very helpful to know a little more about you and your household. Do you mainly live with any of the following people? Please tick everyone that applies to you.
Please tick <u>all</u> that apply
Father / mother's partner / stepfather / foster father
Mother / father's partner / stepmother / foster mother 2
Other guardian º
Brothers or sisters (including stepbrothers and stepsisters)
Any other relative  5
Any other person
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Please tick <u>one</u> box only
Yes, full-time (30 or more hours per week)
Yes, part-time (less than 30 hours per week)
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Do not live with mother / father's partner / stepmother / foster mother
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CONTACTING YOU	
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We promise that your name and telephone number are confidential and will only be used so that we can re-contact you.	
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We will write to you again before we telephone.	
Should we have sent this questionnaire to a different address? If so, please write your new address details here:	
Address	

THANK YOU FOR COMPLETING THIS QUESTIONNAIRE.
PLEASE PUT IT IN THE ENVELOPE PROVIDED AND SEND IT BACK TO US. YOU DO NOT NEED A STAMP.

WE PROMISE THAT YOUR ANSWERS ARE CONFIDENTIAL. THEY WILL NOT BE SHOWN TO ANYONE THAT YOU KNOW

# THIS PAGE SHOWS YOU HOW TO FILL IN THE QUESTIONNAIRE

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How old are you now?	Please tick <u>one</u> box only  11 or under   12   13 /
NOW PLEASE GO TO	QUESTION NUMBER 1, ON <u>PAGE 2</u>
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## **Questionaire (Version 2 - LA mail-out)**

The questionnaire used for the LA mail out used a different 'contacting you' page (as shown below), otherwise was the same as the version 1.

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## Appendix C - The pilot areas

Bolton	
Local name	B'Smart
Website	http://www.boltonathome.org.uk/BSmart/index.html
What	Bolton Council currently operates a smart card (or sQuid scheme) for young people (12,000 registered users). It functions as a pre-paid debit card and will be renamed as the B'Smart card as part of EYPP.
	A target group will receive £35 per month through government funding. The cost for non-target users will be paid for by the Council. Young people will be able to use their credits and leisure and library facilities, with retail outlets and bus services being added later. Within the requirements of an agreed maximum per card, young people will be able to save for a more expensive activity.
Who	3,500 young people will have access to a B'Smart bursary. However, to avoid stigmatisation, B'Smart cards are open to all young people. It is being trailed by a local extended services provider (a secondary school), in terms of enrolment to and acquisition of the card and of payment for services
How much	£2,288,000
Why	Young people who hold a B'Smart card will be given demand-led choice, autonomy and spontaneous spending power.
Consultation	Young people: During set-up, launch and through the life of the scheme to enable additional activity locations to be identified and come on line. Also consulting with workforce (heads of services and voluntary reps) and activity providers (public, private and voluntary providers).

Cambridgeshi	Cambridgeshire	
Local name	g2g Card (Got to Go)	
Website	http://www.purplepigeon.net/g2gcard	
	http://www.g2gcard.co.uk/faqs.php	
What	Young people will be provided with a chip and PIN prepaid debit card worth £40 per month (this can be carried over so young people can save for a bigger activity). Since some providers will not be able to accept debit card payments, Connexions staff can make payments on behalf of young people. Spending power will be combined with the individual support and other youth initiatives (e.g. extended schools, community based youth workers or a one-2-one learning mentor)	
Who	2,000 young people will be drawn from 1,300 young people aged 13-16 (and 17 if in full-time education) who are in receipt of free school meals, plus further 200 young people in this age group who are looked after, and 500 who are economically disadvantaged as identified and referred by front line professionals.	
How much	Unknown	
Why	Placing spending power in the hands of disadvantaged young people removes financial barriers to participation and provides a support structure for young people to participate. Young people are given an opportunity to influence provision through spending power and via engagement with the broader Youth Offer.	
Consultation	YOC consultation event held with mainly looked-after children, and also parents and activity providers (December 2006) provides some relevant information. Consultation event for young people approximately 5 months prior to the go-live date. Parents / carers will be asked to engage with their children and will be notified via promotional materials and professional working with them.	

Camden		
Local name	COO-L (Choice and Opportunities On-Line)	
Website	http://www.camden.coo-l.com/	
What	COO-L will enable local leisure centres, venues and events organisers to advertise their activities for young people to book. Enrolled young people will receive a £40 grant per month to spend on activities of their choice, advertised on this website. When visiting the website, young people can book themselves on activities. COO-L will build upon activities available through Camden Summer University Programme, those funded through the Youth Opportunity Fund (103 new activities in Camden) and Capital Funds.	
Who	The target group of young people are those who eligible for Free School Meals and resident within the borough. This is 1,900 young people in school years 9-12 with particular priority given to Looked After Children and those with learning difficulties and disabilities.	
How much	£1,377,125	
Why	The overall objectives for the COOL project are to test:	
	<ol> <li>Whether placing spending power - through money and discounts - directly in the hands of individual young people who currently don't engage in constructive activities encourages them to do so. We want to get the most robust evidence we can of impact.</li> <li>That putting spending power in the hands of young people will make providers more responsive to the needs of young people.</li> </ol>	
Consultation	Young people, through the various youth forums already established, including the Youth Council Steering Group, the Young People's LDD Forum ("Young People for Inclusion") the YOF & YCF Young People's Commissioning Panel and School Councils.	
	The workforce through existing borough-wide and locality based meetings.	
	Schools through School Strategic Group.	
	Parents / carers through Parents Council.	
	Activity Providers and the voluntary sector through the Children & Families Network.	

Durham	Durham	
Local name	Get out there	
Website	www.getoutthere.info	
What	Web based power user credit system account (an extension to the Publicising Positive Activities Directory). Young people choose activities from the Positive Activities Directory, book and 'pay' for their activities by transferring credits from their Power user account. Young People will be able to book in advance for activities, telephone or turn up and book at some venues (known as 'walk up' system).	
	Young People will have the option to gain accreditation for their participation through Youth Achievement Award Challenges at different levels depending on the extent of their involvement.	
	Arrangements will be made for Young People to access transport costs in cash through key workers and the area development workers. Young People will transfer the equivalent number of credits to the worker's organisation account in return for the money, these accounts will be treated the same as an activity providers account for reimbursement of funds.	
Who	2600 Young People in Years 9-12 who claim or are eligible for FSM (i.e. 54 per cent of such Young People). The remaining cohort will be identified and targeted through the five Local Children's Boards (LCB's), who will be responsible for marketing the pilot to YP who meet the eligibility criteria. Young people will be made aware and nominated by key workers. Looked After Young People will be allocated places at a County level. Schools will be able to nominate Young People for the scheme.	
How much	Unknown	
Why	To empower Young People to have the spending power and support needed to make choices to participate in positive activities. The simplicity and lack of need for specialist equipment will ensure even the smallest of quality activity providers can participate, giving Young People the widest choice possible to enjoy and achieve	
Consultation	Young People, parents, LAC in residential care	

Lincolnshire	
Local name	Go For It
Website	www.goforitinlincs.org and www.c4yp.co.uk
What	Young people receive a 'baseline offer' with a cash value of £25 per month (those from rural areas get an extra £15 per month mainly for transport costs). This pays for an activity, transport or for equipment necessary to engage in an activity. The money is paid into a 'virtual positive activities account' specific to individual young people. There is a 'learning line phone number' to support young people and for them book activities. Phone operators will also arrange for payments to providers.
	Young people produce an Engagement Plan and complete a Citizenship Max Respect application for an age verification card which providers will use to verify access to Positive Activities. They are issued a Passport to Positive Activities booklet to keep their own record of activities undertaken alongside amounts spent.
Who	2,000 young people aged 13-18 who are in public care or eligible for free school meals (household income of less than £14,000). It is anticipated that approx. 800 of these live in rural areas and will find transport as a significant barriers to engagement in Positive Activities. Young people will be targeted individually by key workers (incl. Connexions Personal Advisers, Youth Workers, PAYP workers, Teachers, Drug and Alcohol Workers or Youth Offending Staff)
How much	£1,514,700
Why	By supporting Young People to have individual spending power, the pilot will increase their participation in positive activities as providers increasingly become more responsive to delivering what young people want. It will open up opportunities for disadvantaged young people to participate in positive activities without any stigma being attached to it. The key focus for the target group will centre on those who are economically disadvantaged and those who traditionally face barriers to participation in positive activities.
Consultation	Young People from the County's Young Peoples YOF/YCF and Lincolnshire Youth Cabinet

Liverpool	Liverpool	
Local name	Empowering Young People Pilot - (from interview) 08 Plus card	
Website	Unknown at present	
What	The project delivery mechanism will be a variant of the recently launched 08 Card (www.lys.org.uk and www.08card.co.uk) on offer to all Merseyside residents. The card carries a range of offers to Merseyside residents but the pilot card carries additional privileges and enables payment for activities via a credit loading system (credits are loaded to eligible cards at the beginning of each month). The target group will be able to save their subsidy to enable them to take part in more expensive or 'one-off' activities. A range of activity providers will be recruited via the Positive Activities web site to give a broad range of activities. Terminals will be installed at the point of sale and staff trained to accept the card.	
Who	1,000 young people in years 9-11 including those living in the worst one per cent of the City with an entitlement of FSM, young carers and young people with a full Statement of SEN with FSM entitlement and LAC. The majority of the cohort will have a key/lead professional (e.g. foster carer, Learning Mentor, Connexions PA, YOS Worker, Barnardos Support Worker, Youth Worker) already assigned who will review with them, the types and frequency of the activities they undertake on a regular basis.	
How much	£1,071,437	
Why	Stated as general hypothesis - also:	
	To align the EYPP Pilot alongside other local and national agenda's and programmes for young people. This complimentary approach will ensure the Pilot, whilst a stand alone programme will help shape and inform the development of our Extended School Programme, integrated youth provision and underpin the delivery of the Respect Agenda	
Consultation	Councillors, Neighbourhood Management teams and Headteacher associations, young people, Consultation with activity providers from the public, private and voluntary sectors, parents	

Nottingham	
Local name	Young Person's Citycard 360 - from interview 'Citycard'
	(For correspondence use 'EYPP travel credits contained on the 360 Citycard)
Website	http://citycardnottingham.co.uk/360.html
What	EYPP is to be combined with the City's Citycard (available to City residents under 16 years who attend City schools). It is primarily a travel card and also gives access to libraries and leisure centres, along with retail discounts. EYPP will build on this by putting access to free travel on a young person's Citycard for 10 days each month (i.e. £20). This will allow them to travel where they want on the City's public transport system in order to undertake positive activities. Young person can only get a free day's travel if taking part in a positive activity, but will have free travel for the rest of the day.
Who	Approx. 3,500 young people will be eligible for the scheme either through being assessed as eligible for free school meals or through being in care. Those eligible for the scheme will go through a registration process which will draw on information currently held within the Free School Meals system.
How much	£1,291,418
Why	The City Council believes that the cost of travel to participate in a positive activity is disproportionate to the cost of participation itself for young people and it is, therefore, the travel cost which in many cases presents a barrier to participation. The City Council proposes to test whether transport costs are a barrier to participation by offering a limited amount of free travel to economically disadvantaged young people throughout the duration of the pilot.
Consultation	Based on previous surveys: Youth Matters consultations; Neighbourhood Forum; Tell Us; and Best Value Reviews and MORI surveys

Sunderland	
Local name	Let's Go Card
Website	www.letsgosunderland.com (going live 1 April)
What	Young people will be given a smart card to be used in conjunction with a website. The website will list positive activities and young people can book an electronic ticket. Smart cards will store 'tickets' which are given to providers by swiping in at venues. Smart cards provide £33 per month. This can be used immediately or accrued to max. £150 to enable young people to participate in more expensive activities. Schools, extended school programmes and high-street providers will be registered to the EYP portal. Young people will be able to book and participate as they would any other chargeable activity.
Who	Y9 -Y12 who are entitled to FSM or Looked After Children (approx. 2,200 i.e. 15% of all young people in this age group). The scheme seeks to capture young people who participate in risk taking behaviours (e.g. anti-social behaviour, offending, teenage pregnancy, substance misuse and homelessness). Young people will receive a personal invitation to join and a unique reference number. There are 17 secondary, four special schools and one PRU serving the EYPP cohort.
How much	£2,179,665
Why	To increase participation by disadvantaged young people who don't currently engage in constructive activities whilst still being able to access the full range of (TYS) and a lead professional. It is envisaged that this project will considerably help young people to build relationships with positive role models, improve their self-confidence and self-esteem and so improve their chances of attaining better outcomes. Thus considerably strengthening and developing the Youth Offer for Sunderland's most vulnerable teenagers including those who are hard to reach and in danger of becoming disaffected.
Consultation	Young People - through EYPP 'Youth Participation Officer', EYPP-specific focus group, and links with Sunderland Youth Parliament, citywide, area and neighbourhood forums and groups.
	<b>Parents</b> - through Parenting Offer (launched in autumn 2007) and a Parenting Board (established with buy-in from partners including the Parenting Champion and Parenting Commissioner for the City).
	Providers - through representative involved with the Integrated Youth Offer

Tower Hamlets	
Local name	COO-L (Choice and Opportunity On-Line)
Website	www.coo-l.co.uk
What	COO-L is an online booking system which will make bookings and deduct funds from a young person's account. Young people will receive £40 per month. Young people will be able to book in advance, or telephone via the COO-L section or turn up at some venues where this has been pre-arranged.
Who	LAC group: 110 approx aged 13-16
	PRU group: 220 in13-16 age group (majority FSM)
	YP with a current statement: 449
	YP on School Action Plus: SEN young people failing to make adequate progress
	YP failing at KS3/4
	Social Inclusion Panel (SIP) referral (where YP fall into the appropriate income/age group)
	NEET group: approx. 120 in equivalent Y12
How much	£1,434,701
Why	To build self esteem, confidence and social cohesion by giving young people the chance to undertake positive activities in a situation in which they can decide what to do and where to go and can influence the provision that is available to them. The pilot will concentrate support on young people with disrupted social and emotional backgrounds and/or a history of underachieving or not taking part in education.
Consultation	Head teachers through the Heads Forum and the Heads news letter
	Young people through the Youth Partnership
	The workforce through the Steering Group
	Parents through Voice Events in schools or at the Town Hall, research on parental attitude to YOC and engaging with parents through presentations.

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