

Appendix 3

Headlines from the 2013 Youth Fair

For the second year running, we maintained a staffed stand for the duration of the Youth Fair where delegates were advised of youth related activities and initiatives that the Council have implemented in the last few years.

In previous year, the provision of facilities for young people has been a key issue. Therefore, this year we produced an information display outlining examples of youth related facilities and services that have been introduced during the life of the current corporate plan. Then, using the concept of the "Top Gear Cool Wall", we sought to obtain more specific views in two parts:

1. A "cool" rating of some existing issues/services/facilities.
2. Ideas for initiatives what we could focus on in the future.

Around 100 delegates participated in this exercise and most were in the 14-17 age range. The responses on part 1 were as follows:

| Posed Issue | Negative Response (uncool or seriously uncool) rating | Positive Response (cool or sub-zero) rating |
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| Rate the current quality of town centre shopping in Eastbourne | 60% | 40% |
| Rate the importance of providing more youth clubs | 30% | 70% |
| Rate the importance of providing more sports facilities | 25% | 75% |
| Views on the importance of voting in elections | 25% | 75% |

The ideas submitted under part 2 were:

| Idea | Comments |
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| Artistic facilities | Venues for music and dancing, clubs for arts and crafts, photography, acting |
| Activities for older teenagers | Events like Extreme, police cadets, more apprenticeships, life skills talks by senior members of society in clubs, schools, etc |
| Other sports activities | More bowling, tennis, athletics, swimming, skate parks and BMX tracks all mentioned |
| High quality environments to socialise in | Beach, parks and Sovereign Harbour all highly rated |