

January E-Bulletin

Children and Young People's Network



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Welcome!

Happy New Year!

Welcome to January's edition of the CYPN newsletter.

This month seems to be flying by... we have already had our first CYPN Network meeting of the year and seem to have lots of other CYPN member events happening in the coming weeks. As a Network we are always looking for ways to work together more collaboratively and this month I am looking at pairing up organisations who are interested in reciprocal training and may also be interested in participating in action learning sets. Please have a look at our survey monkey survey and do get in touch if I can help in anyway.

If you have any feedback regarding this bulletin or if you have any events coming up that you would like included in future ebulletins please get in touch! 😊

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For more information on the Network please see
our pages on the website [here](#).

News from Members in the CYPN :

Bath Area Play Project: Residential Holiday Scheme for Disabled Children

BAPP are pleased to announce that they now have confirmed Social Care Registration from Ofsted as the first Residential Holiday Scheme for Disabled Children. The legislation requires any provider supporting disabled children overnight whether one or more including holidays, to be registered.

As part of the Short Breaks Commissioned contracts that BAPP are working with partners to deliver, there will be a series of overnights provided for disabled young people 13+.

Young people interested will need to be attending or start attending a Short Breaks Service which could be during school holidays or term time which include youth groups. This will help build networks and for young people to get to know each other before they spend time together overnight. There will be 7 overnights each year; 3 one-night sleepovers and 2 x 2 nights. There will be sessions leading up to the overnights for young people to come together and meet and get to know each other as well as cover some key life skills which will help prepare them for the overnights.

Please pass this on to any staff supporting/working with young people aged 13+ with an EHCP plan and meet the eligibility criteria also attached. The dates are on the sheet are just for the current financial year of which there are only a few spaces remaining.

If not interested in them right now but for the future, still complete and return the form as per the details on the form.

[Expression of interest form](#)

[Eligibility Criteria](#)

Three Ways School

Are looking to set up a supported Internship programme from September 2020 for young people with additional needs 16+. They are looking at offering opportunities in painting and decorating, childcare etc...

[Leap Flyer](#) (B&NES & Virgin Care)

Leap is a free club for families of children and young people who are above a healthy weight* Group sessions for children aged 5 – 10 years (with family) covering topics around Healthy food, physical activities etc... Run from Oldfield park Junior School 3.45 – 4.45pm on selected dates – Please see flyer

[Southside:](#)

Southside are pleased to announce that 10 of their staff and volunteers were presented with their 'Working with Children, Individuals and Families with Complex Needs' Level 4 certificates by [Michael Eavis](#) at our special 'Against the Odds' event at [St John's Foundation](#) on Thursday 21st November. In addition to this Penny McKissock is meeting [Michelle Donelan](#), Minister for children & Families on Thursday 23rd January to discuss the building bridges programme. A positive behavior framework for children and young people. Please get in touch with Penny if you would like her to ask anything on your behalf.



CYPN Star Project of the Month:

For more information about Youth Connect, South West

Call **01225 396980** or youthconnect_supportservices@bathnes.gov.uk

**Youth Connect,
South West**

On November 4 Youth Connect left the Council and became Youth Connect South West a public limited company and registered charity. We are a creative, enthusiastic and professionally led charity; improving the lives of young people and their families in B&NES through high-quality services and opportunities that enable them to thrive”

Youth Connect South West is a new organisation with a lot of history. The organisation grew from two places Bath and North East Somerset Youth Services and “Connexions” careers guidance service.

Until November 2019 Youth Connect were part of B&NES Council and before that Avon County Council delivering youth work since the 1960’s. Over many years Youth services have been gradually reduced mirroring what’s happened across the country as Council budgets have become under severe pressure.

The Connexions service was formed by central government, after a review the way careers guidance was delivered was changed which resulted in the formation of Youth Connect.

The Council has moved to a model

, the Youth Connect required the freedom to design and develop.

In 2018 all funding for Youth services was cut leaving Youth Connect delivering services to young people through 1:1 work. Using government legislation called the right to challenge the staff group felt that they could find better and more creative ways to deliver youth services. This resulted in getting support from central government to develop a feasibility and business plan which was successful to form a public service mutual (PSM),

Current services YCSW place a strong emphasis on early intervention to tackle problems for children and young people as soon as possible, before they become difficult to reverse. We form part of the Council’s delivery of services under the early help strategy that envisions that “all children, young people and families have access to well-coordinated good quality and timely early help when it is required, so needs can be identified and addressed to promote fulfilling family lives.”

- Provision of 1:1 ‘targeted support’ for young people as part of the Council’s early help offer Supporting 13-19 year olds who are not in education, employment or training and experiencing or at

risk of a range of vulnerabilities to access group work & positive activities

- Statutory returns for the tracking and monitoring of young people who are not in education, employment or training and those whose activity is unknown
- Enablement & support of organisations to deliver youth work where required.
- Provision of open access sessions at Southside building developing a commitment to collaborative working, ensuring that there is a collective drive to provide youth and community services.
- Provision of open access sessions across the BANEs area in Radstock, Timsbury, Paulton and Westfield in partnership with Towns and Parish Councils
- Opportunities for appropriate intervention and early recognition of need.
- Engagement with children & young people and families that find services hard to access.
- Timely and holistic support and intervention within families and communities.
- Collaborative partnerships between organisations which bring together strengths and expertise.

If you would like to know more about Youth Connect call 01225 396980 or youthconnect_supportservices@bathnes.gov.uk

National News & information

[The Good Exchange: 2020 predictions](#)

Ed Gairdner, COO of The Good Exchange, offers his predictions for the year ahead: Collaboration, collaboration, collaboration! With the continued squeeze on funding from central government, local communities remain reliant upon local charitable organisations to fill the gaps. With economic prospects uncertain in politically turbulent times, this will likely continue into 2020. As a result, we're likely to see increased collaboration become a necessity between local charities and good causes to pool over-stretched resources and make a difference.

[One in four young people with mental health referral 'rejected'](#) Concerns have been raised that many are still failing to get vital support at an early stage. Research by the [Education Policy Institute](#) (EPI) estimated that more than 130,000 of those referred to specialist services in 2018-19 were "rejected", among them young people who have self-harmed, suffered eating disorders and experienced abuse. According to the EPI, rejection rates have remained unchanged over the last four years, despite government commitments to address shortages in [child and adolescent mental health services](#) (CAMHS), including an additional £1.4bn investment between 2015 and 2021.

Local & Regional News & information

[Quartet's Vital Signs report](#)

The Vital Signs 2019 Report 'Taking the temperature of local communities' shows that young people are the number one priority for 36% of people in the West of England.

The 26-page Vital Signs report is unique as it collates data from many sources plus the results of a community survey Quartet Community Foundation conducted with over 500 local people.

This time the Vital Signs report focuses on ten key areas of interest mapping trends, highlighting strengths and identifying areas for improvement across Bristol, B&NES, North Somerset and South Gloucestershire.

[Young Stars](#)

B&NES council & St John's are delighted to be bringing back the 'Young Stars Awards' to [The Apex Hotel](#) in Bath on Saturday 2nd May – a sparkling red carpet event celebrating selfless and courageous young people in our community. The finalists will be revealed in March and winners will be announced at the [Gala Dinner](#) on Saturday 2nd May. If you know a young person who deserves to be recognised and treated like a star for a night, please take a few minutes to [nominate them](#) for one or more of the six categories: courage, creativity, education, Kindness, sport & unsung hero.

[University and B&NES Council launch "Our Shared Future" collaboration](#)

Launched on Monday 13th January, the initiative will bring together skills, knowledge and expertise from across the city in order to explore possibilities and address some of the challenges faced in Bath and the region. The launch began with a series of workshops, attended by academics from a range of disciplines along with colleagues from B&NES and local organisations, exploring the themes of cohesion and inclusivity, infrastructure and climate change in Bath.

[Charity receives funding to provide reading programme in primary schools](#)

National reading charity, Coram Beanstalk, is set to launch a new project with the aim of getting more local primary school children to enjoy books and reading. With a £30,000 grant awarded by Bath-based charity St John's Foundation, Coram Beanstalk is set to deliver its impactful reading programme, for free, over the next twelve months.



Forthcoming strategic meetings

These are meetings which our Network Reps will attend. If you have an issue which you feel should be considered by the Board, please [contact the relevant Representative here](#). You can also ask for details of meeting Agendas – available the week before the meeting.

If you would be interested in becoming a representative for the Network on one of these boards please get in touch with me as I have been contacted by a few reps who are willing to hand over their responsibilities if the right person comes along!

Meetings & Events

- 4.2.20: **Parent Carers' Cafe** 9.30–11am at the 3 ways café (1st Tues each month)
- 6.2.20: [Business Exchange South West Charity Conference](#), Bath Racecourse, 7.30 – 3pm. The Expo is free, although there are chargeable elements.
- 11.2.20: [Senior Leaders Network](#) –(3SG) – 5:30pm – 7.30pm, Free session
Venue: Thoughtful Bakery, 19 Barton Street
- 18.2.20: [CCG Merger update](#), BRLSI, Queen's Square 10 – 11.30am
- 26.2.20: [3rd Sector Gathering 2020](#), Komedia, Bath 9.30 – 1pm
- 27.2.20: [Midlife MOT](#) Hosted by Achieve B&NES to support individuals & businesses in planning for a healthier & happier future. FREE event. Location: Apex Hotel 10 – 4pm Email Claire Lynch achieve@bathnes.gov.uk for details
- 16.3.20: Charity Training – The Essential Trustee and Governance in practice, The Bath & County Club, Queen's Parade, 4.15pm £25.00

Local Charity events:

- Cook it course, Bath City Farm Thursday 16, 23, 30 Jan & 6 & 13th Feb
- 5.2.20: Swallow Parent & Carers' group, 4pm The Old Engine House, Westfield (An informal group for parents/carers of young people with disabilities)
- 6.3.20: [Big Bath Sleep Out](#) Alice Park, raising money for Julian House
- 15.3.20: **Bath Half Marathon**, Bath Recreation ground & city centre 😊

Please let me know if you have any events you'd like to promote here 😊

Interagency Meeting Dates 2020

- Bath:** Tuesday 28th Jan, 12.30pm Southdown Methodist Church, The Hollow, BA2 1NJ
- Somer Valley:** 20th Feb, 12pm The Council Chamber, The Hollies, High Street Midsomer Norton BA3 2DP (please use side door from High Street to gain access)
- Keynsham:** 18th March, 12pm Community@67, Queen's Road, Keynsham BS31 2NW

CYPN Job Opportunities:

Youth Connect Administrator

Hours: 30hr per week, Salary: £19,554 pa, pro rata

Closing Date for applications: Friday 31 January 2020

Interviews will take place: Week beginning 10 February 2020

If you would like further information, please call 01225 396980 or email

victoria_bisgrove@bathnes.gov.uk

To apply click links below and download form, then email your application to youthconnect_supportservices@bathnes.gov.uk

Young Carers' Service Manager (B&NES Carers' Centre)

Hours: 22.5 hrs per week Salary: £27,063 (pro rata)

Closing data: 27th January

A job pack is available on our

website: <https://www.banescarerscentre.org.uk/about-us/work-for-us/>

Please get in touch if you would like to advertise anything here.

Business & Fundraising

Paulton Parish Council Grant Scheme

The primary intention of this grant scheme is to support events, projects and items that benefit the village. Apply online at www.paultonparishcouncil.org.uk. Closing date 13th March

Grants to small and medium charities – Lloyds Bank Foundation

They fund charities helping people whose lives are significantly affected by: • Domestic & sexual abuse • Sexual exploitation • Mental health • Homelessness & vulnerably housed • Offending, prison or community service • Care leavers • Learning disabilities • Addiction or dependency on alcohol, drugs, substances &/or gambling • Trafficking and modern slavery • Young parents • Asylum seekers and refugees.

The Les Mills Fund for Children

Funding up to £1,000 is available to organisations who they believe will do their utmost to improve the education and physical and emotional wellbeing of children and who focus on one or more of the following areas: Living in Poverty; Physical & Mental Health Problems; Health & Wellbeing; Living with Disability.

Bath Women's fund

In 2020 they will be awarding one grant of £10,000 and two £1,000 appreciation awards. Their theme for grant-making 2020 is: **Services for Women and Girls** To apply for this funding, please download the guidance for applicants and check you meet the criteria and priorities. If you do, then complete an [Expression of Interest form](#) by 5pm on 28th February.

Ralph and Irma Sperring Charity

The charity gives grants to people of all ages who are in financial need & live within 5 miles of St John the Baptist Church in Midsomer Norton or to organisations who help people in Midsummer Norton.

Youth Music Grants Programme

Youth Music is a national charity investing in music-making projects for CYP (aged 0-25) experiencing challenging circumstances. Youth Music takes an outcomes approach. They aim to support the musical, personal & social development of CYP, and we also support positive outcomes for organisations and their workforce. Every Youth Music project measures its [impact](#), helping us build a unique national overview.

Masonic Large Grants – Early Years

Grants can be offered to charities (whose annual income exceeds £500,000) for projects that support disadvantaged and vulnerable children up **to the age of 25 years**. Large grants are for projects and can be used for salary costs, activities, materials etc. Large grants start from £10,000 and on average our grants are between £20,000 – £60,000 in total All grants can be over 1,2 or 3 years

Happy days

The aim is to help as many children as possible by funding trips, experiences, respite breaks & group activity holidays for those who need them most: day trips/theatre visits/family respite breaks/group activity holidays

Wooden Spoon Grants (key Rugby element needed!)

Aim to support projects in the UK working with children with disabilities or those facing disadvantage. For more information please call Projects Department on 01252 773720 Email projects@woodenspoon.org.uk

For more funding and grants opportunities please click here for [January's](#) Bulletin



12 hour Paediatric First Aid training course:

It is strongly recommended that you have someone who is qualified where you run any activity for children & young people.

OFSTED recognised qualification
£95 per person
Available for all

Venue: Odd Down Community Centre

Various dates and times available.

If you are interested or would like further information, please do get in touch.

Training B&NES Children's Workforce Training:

Please see: [Table of Charges from Sept 2019](#)

[Managing Allegations \(LSCB\)](#) Wednesday 15th January 9.30 – 12.30 Civic Centre Keynsham

[Safeguarding Adults – Level 3 \(LSAB\)](#) Tuesday 28th Jan 09.30 – 16.30 Community Space, one stop shop, Keynsham

[Young People's Participation in Practice](#) Tuesday 28th January 12.30 – 2.30pm Civic Centre Keynsham

[Eating Disorders - CAMHS](#) Wednesday 29th Jan 09.30 – 13.00 Community Space, one stop shop, Keynsham

[Self Neglect - Adult Safeguarding \(LSAB\) Adults Level 2 Safeguarding \(LSAB\)](#) 4th Feb 09.00 – 12.30 and 13.30 – 17.00 Community Space, one stop shop, Keynsham

[Applied Suicide Intervention Skills Training \(ASIST\)](#) Thurs 20th – Friday 21st February 9 – 5pm, Community Space, one stop shop, Keynsham

[Domestic Abuse, Safeguarding and Child Protection \(LSCB\)](#) 24th Feb 09.30 – 16.30 The Hollies, Council Chamber, Midsomer Norton

[ASD and Co Existing Mental Health Difficulties - CAMHS](#) 24th Feb 09.30 – 12.30 West 1.1, Civic Centre, Keynsham

[Workshop Raising Awareness of Prevent \(WRAP\)](#) 2nd March 09.30 – 11.00/ 11.30 – 13.00 West 1.1, Civic Centre, Keynsham

All bookings for the Children's Workforce Training should be made through the online booking System [here](#)

Further information is available from Children's Workforce Training 01225 394210 or childrensworkforce_training@bathnes.gov.uk

If your Organisation has any specific training needs you would like me to investigate on behalf of the CYPN please get in touch!

Free Training for Volunteers: Wellbeing Collage, B&NES

- Safeguarding Training Adults and Children - 5th February 2020, Bath

This FREE session is practical and interactive. Using a range of exercises and materials it will introduce you to the basic safeguarding concepts: what is abuse and exploitation, what are the signs of abuse, what should you do if you think someone is at risk? The session gives you a clear understanding of your roles and responsibilities in preventing and reporting abuse: 5th February Time: 10am – 1.30pm

Venue: Southdown Methodist Church, The Hollow, Southdown, Bath BA2 1NJ

I hope you have enjoyed and found this edition of the CYPN e-bulletin useful, if you have any feedback or would like to see me cover anything else in the next edition please do not hesitate to contact me at gilly@bathareaplayproject.co.uk BA2 2TL, Odins Rd, Bath