

Epping Forest District

Youth Provision 2009/2010

Area Needs Analysis 2009/10

Epping Forest

Epping Forest District, covering 130 square miles, is considered an attractive, predominantly commuter area of some 122,000 people on the north eastern edge of London. Almost half (45%) of the population live in the suburban areas of Loughton, Buckhurst Hill and Chigwell. A further 30% are in the market towns of Epping, Ongar and Waltham Abbey. The remaining 25% live in the surrounding rural areas including such large villages as Roydon, Nazeing, North Weald and Theydon Bois.

The 13 – 19 target youth population is approximately 10662, of which 5387 (50.53%) are male and 5275 (49.47%) are female.

Epping Forest has an active Youth Council, composed of a group of seventeen young people aged 13- 19 living in Epping Forest. The Epping Forest Youth Council were elected as local school representatives and young community leaders in December 2007 to sit on the Youth Council for two years, in order to make sure Young People have a voice, regarding important, local issues

There are four 11-16 maintained Secondary Schools in the Epping Forest District, Debden Park High School, King Harold School, Roding Valley High School and St John's Church of England (Voluntary Controlled) School. Two 11-18 maintained Secondary Schools Davenant Foundation School and West Hatch High School also have sixth form provision. In addition, there is one Further Education establishment, Epping Forest College which is currently offering a range of full-time courses for young people from entry level vocational courses to Advanced level course provision. A large proportion of young people continue in education in Epping Forest. The annual Activity Survey records a year on year increase in the percentage of young people who choose to remain in post compulsory education, culminating in 87.28% of Year 11 remaining in education in September 2008.

Consequently, the number of young people participating in employment and training is statistically far less significant. Epping Forest has just one E2E provider, Essex Training in Waltham Abbey. They are presently offering training courses for young people in Multi-Skills Construction and Hair & Beauty. Unfortunately, the economic recession has led to a reduction in the number of opportunities in the local labour market, with current active live vacancies for young people restricted to Hairdressing and Beauty. Therefore,

young training and job seekers have to be prepared to travel out of the local area if they wish to pursue opportunities in other occupational areas.

The District is served by a network of Town and Parish Councils and characterised by contrasts. Some wards are very affluent but contain pockets of deprivation, which isolates them from the surrounding communities, e.g. Limes Farm in Chigwell, Shelley in Ongar, Debden and Fairmead in Loughton. These areas are highlighted in the ODPM Indices of Deprivation as areas with a number of social problems including low incomes, unemployment and lack of educational attainment.

An examination of the Index of Multiple Deprivation, (IMD) a combined measure including income, employment, health, education, housing, crime and the environment, shows Grange Hill or more accurately Limes Farm is the most deprived area within the District while Theydon Bois is the least deprived. Other areas that show high levels of deprivation within the District include areas of Waltham Abbey, such as Paternoster, and areas of Loughton, such as Fairmead and Oakwood Hill. In Epping Forest there are no areas (known as Super Output Areas or SOAs) that fall into the IMD Index of the most deprived 20% nationally, while there are 25 SOAs (out of a total of 78) in the least deprived nationally category.

Of the four chosen key indicators used to in the Youth Service District Hotspot Analysis, the conception rate for under 18s, the NEET rate, GCSE performance and Deprivation Index, the Youth Service Hotspots in Epping Forest are:-

- Loughton Alderton
- Loughton Broadway
- Waltham Abbey Paternoster
- Grange Hill
- Shelley
- Buckhurst Hill West

Current Centre provision is generally well located to cover these areas with Youth Centre provision focussed at the Box in Epping, Loughton Youth Centre, Limes Farm Youth Centre, Ongar Youth Centre and WAY 2000 in Waltham Abbey.

The wards with greatest need in each of the Hotspot categories within the Epping Forest District have been identified as-

- Under 18 Conception Rate – Shelley
- NEET Rate - Loughton Alderton
- 5+ A*-C GCSE Rate - Lower Sheering
- Index of Multiple Deprivation – Waltham Abbey Paternoster

One of the major issues for young people in Epping Forest is transportation. There is a perceived lack of public transport and even large urban areas like Waltham Abbey have poor public transport links with the rest of the District.

Therefore, Waltham Abbey has been selected as a focussed area of work for the ECC mobile service. The revised Youth Bus Schedule now incorporates a weekly evening visit to Hill House and the surrounding area as well as lunchtime visits to King Harold School in Waltham Abbey. Equally, outlying areas that are currently not well served by Centre provision, like Sheering, Roydon and Theydon Bois will be regular destinations on the ECC Youth Bus Schedule.

Youth Work Performance Targets 2009/2010

Definitions

- **Contact** is often a one off engagement with a young person.
- **Participants** where a young person takes part on a regular or sustained period of time and completes a registration card.
- **Recorded outcomes** this is when a young person has made or recognised some informal learning or gained a skill or knowledge. Often evidenced by local certificates.
- **Accredited Outcomes** this is a recognised formal certificate or course, which evidences a young person's achievement. This is normally a nationally recognised body such as Open College Network, Duke of Edinburgh, Trident etc,

Unit of Provision	09/10 Target Contact	09/10 Target Participants	09/10 Target Recorded Outcomes	09/10 Target Accredited Outcomes	08/09 Actual Contact	08/09 Actual Participants	08/09 Actual Recorded Outcomes	08/09 Actual Accredited Outcomes
Epping Forest								
Epping Mobile	250	145	40	15	308	161	80	47
U-Project	15	12	12	10				
Youth Action	40	30	30	25				
Epping Forest South TASC	470	470	279	105	751	657	640	107
Epping Forest Rural TASC	240	240	120	120	192	167	79	39

EPPING FOREST DISTRICT YOUTH PROVISION

(As provided by ECC Integrated Youth and TASCC teams and by voluntary organisations, some of which receive some CYPS funding. We are aiming for a comprehensive list so if you are aware of any others please do let Perryn Jasper know.)

Day and Session	Name of Unit	Session Descriptor	Start/finish time	Age Range
Monday evening	Mobile	Open session for young people to access activities, information and support. Roydon/Sheering	7.00 to 9.30	13 to 19
Tuesday lunchtime	Mobile	Drop-in session Debden Park School		
Tuesday evening	Mobile	Oakwood Hill Debden	7.00 to 9.30	13 to 19
Wednesday evening	Mobile	Theydon/ Epping Town	7.00 to 9.30	13 to 19
Thursday evening	Mobile	Waltham Abbey	7.00 to 9.30	13 to 19
Friday lunchtime	Mobile	Drop-in lunchtime session King Harold/St.John's schools	1pm-2pm	
Youth Bank	Youth action	Young people involved in distribution and awarding Youth Opportunities Fund	Various including some Saturdays	19-19
Young Essex Assembly and Epping Forest Youth Council	Youth Action	Young people's engagement and consultation	Weekly at various locations	
Connexions Drop-in Session Wednesday evenings	Information and Advice	Young people able to access IAG in an informal setting	The Box Epping 5.30-7.30pm	
Epping Forest U-Project	Residential for year 11	Pre-residential sessions	Danbury Outdoors	Year 11

	pupils at risk of dis-engagement from Learning or training	held at the Box Residential week during summer holidays.	Centre	
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Monday daytime	The Box	Alternative education programme	09:30 – 15:00	15 to 16
	Loughton Youth Centre	Sexual Health Nurse	15:00 – 16:00	13 to 19
Monday evening	Duke of Edinburgh's Award (Temporally revised due to staff shortage)	Personal development structured programme	6.30pm to 9pm	14 to 25
	The Box	Various workshops	16:00 – 18:00	14 to 18
	The Dance Factory	Street Dance Classes	16:00 – 18:15	5 to 15
	Loughton Amateur Dramatic Society	Produce plays of dramatic worth	20:00 – 22:30	16 to 19
	Ongar Youth Centre	To encourage young people to engage in sports, fitness and health and nutrition	19:00 – 21:30	13 to 19
	New Images Youth Centre (Way 2000)	Open access youth centre	7pm to 10pm	13 to 19
Tuesday evening	The Box	Social space, information and advice	15:30 – 18:00	11 to 18
	The Box	Counselling service	16:00 – 18:00	11 to 16
	Loughton Youth Centre	Project work	6.30pm to 9.30pm	13 to 19

	Roding Valley High School	Stamp Club	19:30	11 to 16
	Ongar Youth Centre	An open centre night	19:00 – 21:30	13 to 19
	St Mary's church hall, Theydon Bois	Youth Club	19:00 – 21:00	11 – 14
	Limes Farm Youth Centre	Open access youth centre	7pm to 10pm	13 to 19
	New Images Youth Centre (WAY2000)	Open access youth centre	7pm to 10pm	13 to 19
Wednesday daytime	Emotional Health and wellbeing	Programme for young people	1.30 to 3.00	13 to 19
	The Box	Information, advice and welfare service	10:00 – 13:00	16 to 19
	The Box	“What next” Careers workshop	11:00 – 13:00	16 to 19
	Loughton Youth Centre	Sexual Health Nurse	12:30 – 13:30	13 to 19
Wednesday evening	Limes Farm Youth Centre	Open access youth centre	7pm to 10pm	13 to 19
	The Box	Connexions drop-in	15:30 – 18:00	13 to 19
	St Mary's, 201 High Road, Loughton	Ignite	15:30 – 20:00	11 to 16
	The Box	Social space, information and advice	16:00– 18:00	11 to 18
	Ninefields Community Hall	Abbey Youth Club	18:30 – 20:00	11 to 19
	Lopping Hall	Loughton Camera Club	20:00 – 22:00	16 to 19
	Ongar Youth Centre	Youth Club	19:00 – 21:00	13 to 19

	New Images Youth Centre (WAY2000)	Open access youth centre	7pm to 10pm	13 to19
Thursday Daytime	Loughton Youth Centre	Sexual Health Nurse	12:30 – 13:30	13 to 19
	The Box	Information, advice and welfare service	10:00 – 13:00	16 to 19
Thursday Evening	Loughton Youth Centre	Open access youth centre	6.30pm to 9.30pm	13 to 19
	The Box	counselling service	15:00 – 18:00	11 to 16
	The Box	Social space, information and advice	16:00 – 18:00	11 to 18
	Roding Valley High	Loughton Youth Theatre	19:00 – 21:00	11 to 18
	Ongar Youth Centre	Special Needs Youth Club (Youth Plus)	19:00 – 21:30	14 to 25
	New Images Youth Centre (WAY2000)	Open access youth centre	7pm to 10pm	13 to19
Friday Daytime	The Box	Alternative education programme	09:30 – 15:00	15 to 16
	Loughton Youth Centre	Sexual Health Nurse	15:00 – 16:00	13 to 19
Friday Evening	Ongar Youth Centre	Youth Club	19:00 – 21:30	13 to 19
	Loughton Methodist Church (SKILLZ)	Dance Group	16:00 – 18:00	8 to 13
	St Mary's, 201 High Road, Loughton	Ignite	19:00 – 21:00	11 to 16
	The Box	Social space	19:00 – 21:00	11 to 18
Saturday Daytime	United Reformed Church Hall, Buckhurst Hill	LA 2000 Theatre School - Speech and Drama	10:30 – 12:30	6 to 17

	Loughton Leisure Centre	The WingTsun Martial Arts School	11.30 - 12.30	7+
	Oakview School	Sportability	10:00 – 14:00	6 to 16
Weekends and whole weeks, special projects	Loughton Youth Project (LYP) A safe and desirable social space for all groups of young people in Loughton and Debden, used in conjunction with targeted partner agencies during the daytime, hosts regular, after school programmes of new media broadcasting activities for young people. Parent agency Essex Association of Boys and Girls Clubs.			
	Youth Action A dedicated team of youth workers across the county supporting and encouraging young people and adults in each locality to create opportunities where young people can be heard and taken seriously. This may start with expressing views through writing for a magazine or newsletter, producing plays, music or films. It can include being part of a committee, school council or youth forum. County-wide projects include UK Youth Parliament, Young Essex Assembly and Essex Young People's Forum website. Young people in Essex help adults to make the right decisions about services including helping with staff selection and conferences.			
	Alternative Education Year 11 Scheme Based at the The Box this year long scheme works with 15 young people who no longer attend mainstream education for a variety of reasons. The five day scheme runs over the academic year involves two days per week personal and social education, including team-work, problem solving ,listening skills healthy life styles etc. Two days work experience and one day formal education, which has a number of vocational options. Its overall aim is to re-engage young people with learning and help identify either future training or employment.			

	<p>Prince's Trust Team Programme This twelve week programme is mainly aimed at young people aged 16-25 who are unemployed or between jobs or uncertain of their direction. A programme that develops team working, volunteering and some basic life skills. Young people take part in a wide range of activities including a residential. They also identify local community groups and raise funds to support a chosen project or activity. The programme is currently delivered at the Grove Youth Centre replacement premises urgently needed.</p>
	<p>Reality Road Show To provide workshops on a variety of topics such as road safety, sexual health drugs and alcohol to educate young people; year 9</p>
	<p>Prison! No Way! The Project aims to reflect on a variety of different aspects of crime starting with what constitutes crime. Look at the role of the police service and how procedures at the station are addressed. Raised awareness and understanding of consequences around offending behaviour, criminal behaviour The 10 week programme aims to give enough information to make informed decisions resulting in the development of personal and social responsibility. The programmes are generally aimed at young people thought to be at risk of becoming involved in the criminal justice system. Prison! No Way! is an educational programme led by the youth service in partnership with HM Prison Service, Essex Police, youth offending teams and Magistrates.</p>