

## **Alliance for Childhood London Forum Notes**

### **From meeting on 9th October 2018 at City Hall, London**

**Introductions** were given by all attendees (24 attended).

#### **Katie Myhill, GLA London and Youth Team - Young Londoners Fund**

Katie presented on the [Young Londoners Fund](#), a £45 Million fund. £30 million is for community projects. The first round has been completed. The next £15 million is open for applications next year. The remaining 15 million is being used to scale up city hall activities.

The funding primary supports 2 groups. 1st: Young people at risk of exclusion or involvement in criminal activity. 2nd: young people who have already been involved. Currently approx 90% are in 1st group and 10% in 2nd. There is potential that 2nd round will focus more on young people who are in group 2. Also on geographical areas and at risk groups that are under subscribed.

132 small grants received and 33 grants were funded  
£9 million allocated towards 65-70 projects. Received around 200 applications  
Large grants were most over subscribed, solely 4-5  
You can find what is being delivered and where via website

City-hall scale up projects. There are 7 projects and 3 of them are available on the website.

GLA Funded programmes: Stepping stones (750K) and young London Inspired (500K)

Young people's foundation - Funding opportunity for Local networks to help coordinate Young Londoners

[Our-London Map](#) is available to find activities that young people can take part in. Originally intended to show summer activities, it is now available on a more long term basis. Katie would welcome help from anyone, especially a young person, who can improve the performance of the map.

#### **Kismet Meyon, The Peer Outreach Team**

##### [The Peer Outreach Team](#):

- Hold quarterly meetings where you can showcase what your organisation does, with the aim to provide more opportunities to young people
- Host awareness events
- Help to manage projects and liaise with companies

They have been closely with the grant allocation process for the London Fund. They will do 'mystery shopping' and monitor projects

Peer to peer work one of the most effective ways of engaging with youth. They are able to get feedback from peers

Common challenges faced by youth

- Environment
- Born into life and can find no other way
- Stress and anger
- In prison
- Lack of support

They took part in the [Knife crime summit](#)

**Action:** To share round table outcomes with link up crew - 7 to 14 year olds

Currently they do not do outreach projects in schools. Previously worked with Redbridge School and United Response (Kingston)

See their presentation [here](#)

**Jane Brueseke and Jamal Sami-Miller - [Waltham Forest Youth Independent Advisory Group \(WFYIAG\)](#)**

The WFYIAG run peer to peer workshops in Walthamstow and other areas. They work with a wide range of themes such as knowing your rights, knife crime and FMG. Knife crime has consistently been an issue since joint the WAG in 2012

Youth engages through peers leading the workshop. They work with the police, safer school officers training police officers. They take part in response patrols where they join evening patrols with the police on a Friday. Two police officers were present at the meeting who worked with the WFYIAG. The main focus is on building trust.

[Street Base- Southwark Young Advisor](#)

See their presentation [here](#).

### **Questions and Discussions**

A meeting attendee discussed a similar project that he has run for years that have expanded into Europe.

WFIAG partner with LEAP to train their recruits.

They work closely with Shelter and YMCA

You can upload your site information onto the Our-London Map. It is updated regularly.

Police officers tend to be the ones who want to be the ones to set it up.

Youth peer outreach programmes needs links with Police but for it not to be set up by Police

WFIAG receives funding from MOPAC ([Mayor's Office for Policing and Crime](#))

WFIAG - Charge organisations using a commissioning model

WFIAG - The Street Base network is growing, based on the Southwark model

They use drama and the spoken word to get feedback from children

#### Events

- Wednesday 14th November - [Love Space at Rich mix](#)
- Sunday 4th November - [SICK Walthamstow Assembly Hall](#)
- Tuesday 4th December Alliance for Childhood European Network, Brussels - Quality of Childhood event, European Parliament. Contact Marion Briggs for details.  
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#### Links

- Multi Irão (People Working Together) project in Brazil  
Website: [www.multiirao.org](http://www.multiirao.org) (In Portuguese - press Google to translate)  
Facebook Page: [www.facebook.com/multiirao](https://www.facebook.com/multiirao)