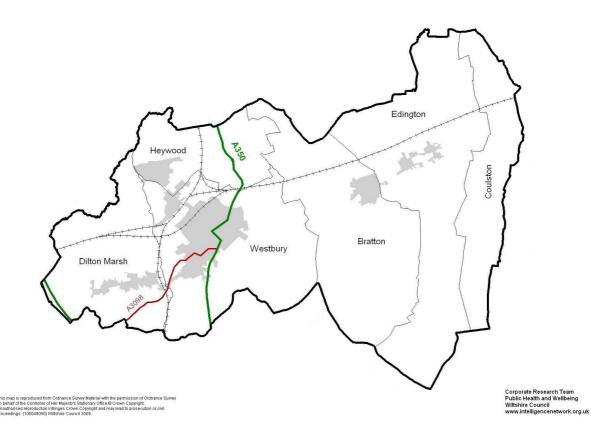
# Needs Assessment for Westbury Community Area Local youth Network

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The aim of this document is to provide the Westbury Community Area Local Youth Network with evidence for strategic decision making with regards to positive activities for young people.

### Note that this is a working document



#### Vision Statement:

Westbury Community Area Local Youth Networks vision for young people in the Westbury Community Area:

Westbury Community Area Local Youth Network is committed to supporting young people and their communities to come together to develop a responsive and locally driven positive activities off for young people.

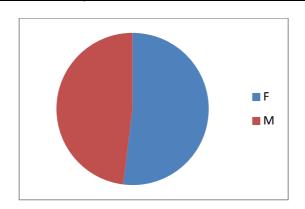
## Key Outcomes:

We want to achieve the following outcomes for young people in the Westbury Community Area:

- Help young people connect with their communities. Enabling them to belong and contribute to society .e.g. through volunteering
- Provide opportunities for young people to take part in a range of sports, art, music and other activities where they can socialise safely with their peers and develop relationships, including with adults they can trust
- Encourage young people's personal and social development
- Improve young people's physical and mental health and emotional well-being
- Help young people to achieve in education, work or training
- Prevent and divert young people away from risky behaviours such as teenage pregnancy, substance misuse and involvement in crime and anti-social behaviour

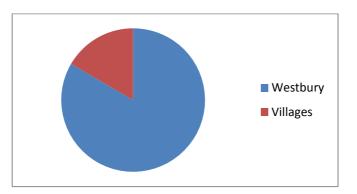
#### Assessment:

The overview has been developed using the results of questionnaires given to young people aged between 12 and 19 in sessions held at Matravers school. Detached, street sessions have also been carried out in partnership with the police in order to get the views of those who don't attend school. Members of Bratton Youth Club completed the questionnaire and a consultation was carried out at the wider Local Youth Network event. To date, 561 young people have been consulted. The graphs below illustrate the ratio of male/ female respondents, their age and where they are currently living.

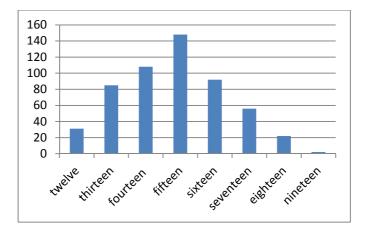


#### Graph showing the ratio of male/female responses

#### Graph showing where the respondents live



#### Graph showing ages of respondents



#### 13-19 population profile:

The following data was taken from the 2011 Census for the Westbury Community Area:

Young people aged 10 - 14 = 1274Young people aged 15 - 19 = 1195

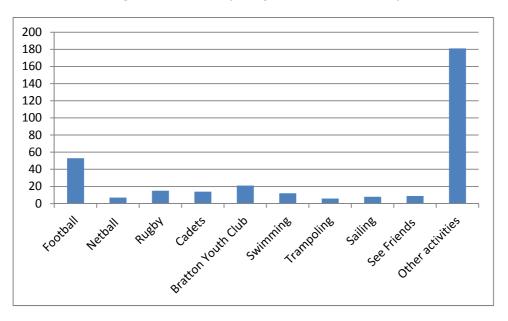
We have split the number of 1274 by five and times by two to reach the number of 509, this gives the rough number of 13-14 year olds; this has then been added to 1195 to give a total of 1705.

So far, the number of young people consulted for the needs assessment, represents 32.9% of the youth population for Westbury Community Area.

#### Key findings and priorities for action from the Joint Strategic Assessment:

- Focus on low achieving children and young people, to encourage a 'can do' achievement in life
- Celebrate young peoples' achievements
- Develop and promote health and wellbeing drop-in
- Promote a whole range of 'lifelong learning' opportunities, including basic skills training and parenting, that are available in existing local facilities
- Encourage more volunteers to support learning and reach a wider proportion of the community
- Summer events during holiday periods to encourage family participation
- Intensive work with families to encourage family learning, move out of poverty
- New initiatives established to give support to children & their families related to SEN
- Improved information about what is available for parents and carers

#### Stakeholder Views:



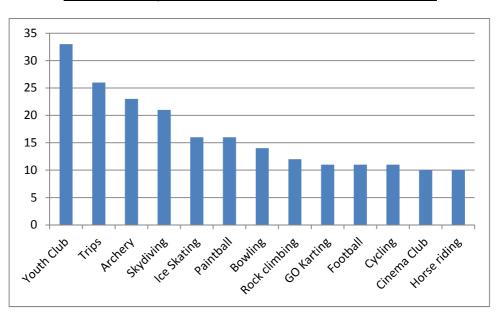
Graph showing what activities young people are currently involved in

The other activities which young people are participating in are:

Fitness, computer club, dance, art, girls football, basketball, horse riding, golf, badminton, scouts, guides, martial arts, gym, cricket, gymnastics, cycling, skate park, St. John's, football, boys dance, canoe club, circus training and bell ringing.

422 young people identified that they are not currently participating in any positive activity. This could be due to the young person's understanding of the phrase 'positive activity'.

The following graph shows the top 13 activities that have been requested by young people in the Westbury Community Area



Graph showing the top 13 activities the respondents want

Other activities that were identified were:

Cooking, art, boxing, rugby, swimming, running, shooting, gaming, fencing, dance, snooker/pool, Gaelic football, parkour, basketball, darts, rowing, music, photography, table tennis, dodgeball, pole dancing, girls cricket, baseball, ice hockey, bungee jumping, snowboarding and sailing.

What positive activities are currently on offer in Westbury Community Area?

Dilton Rovers FC	Westbury Youth FC 5 Aside Football	White Horse Badminton Club	Westbury Netball Club
Westbury Cricket Club	Westbury TKD	Westbury White Horse Karate Club	West Wiltshire Youth Sailing Association
Westbury pole-da- cise	Sapphire Twirlstars	Bratton Youth Club	Westbury Swimming Club
Army Cadets	Scouts	Girl Guides	West Wiltshire area Young archaeologists Club
Air Cadets	Tai Chi Qi Gong (UKCKS) Classes	Westbury and District Choral Society	Westbury and District Recorder Group
White Horse Community Choir	No Worries	St John's Ambulance	ZEN Shotokan Karate
Westbury Running Club	Brokerswood Country Park	Equestrian centre	All Music, Westbury

Priorities:

- To develop the wider Local Youth Network
- To support and develop a team of volunteers to provide positive activities for young people including drivers, people with specialised skills, people who want to support young people achieve positive outcomes
- Develop a programme of activities
- Advertise all opportunities as widely as possible

# Objectives:

To develop more positive activities for young people in the 13-19 age bracket to continue to discover what the needs of young people are in the community area and where possible, meet those needs.