

# North Tyneside Council Report to Cabinet Date: 14<sup>th</sup> November 2011

## ITEM 7 f

Response to the  
Recommendations of Overview  
and Scrutiny Regarding Youth  
Facilities

**Portfolio(s):** Children, Young People and Learning  
Leisure, Culture, Tourism and Safer Communities

**Cabinet Member(s):** Cllr David Lilly  
Cllr Glynis Barrie

**Report from Directorate:** Children, Young People and Learning (CYPL)

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**Wards affected:** All

### PART 1

#### 1.1 Purpose:

The report sets out for Cabinet's consideration and agreement to the proposed responses/actions to the recommendations of the report of the Children and Young People Sub-Committee in relation to Facilities for young people, considered by Cabinet at its meeting on 12 September 2011. Under section 122 of the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007 Cabinet is required to respond to Overview and Scrutiny indicating what (if any) action it proposes to take within two months from the date it received the recommendations

#### 1.2 Recommendation(s):

1. It is recommended that Cabinet;
  - (a) Endorse the proposed responses and actions, listed at Appendix 1, in respect of the recommendations made to Cabinet by the Children and Young People Sub-Committee at the 12 September 2011 Cabinet meeting regarding youth facilities and activities in North Tyneside;
  - (b) Refer the agreed responses and actions to the Children and Young People Sub-Committee accordingly.

#### 1.3 Forward plan:

This report was listed on the Forward Plan published for the period 1 August – 30 November 2011.

#### 1.4 Council plan and policy framework

This report relates to the following theme in the 2011/15 Council Delivery Plan:

Priority 1 - Our People: to give every family the opportunity to have an excellent quality of life and all our children achieve their potential.

## **1.5 Information:**

- 1.5.1 The Children, Young People and Learning (CYPL) Sub-Committee of Overview and Scrutiny undertook a review of youth facilities in North Tyneside as part of their agreed scrutiny programme for 2010-11. The work culminated in a report, completed in May 2011, detailing their findings and recommendations, which were submitted to Cabinet for consideration at its meeting on 12 September. The recommendations and proposed responses to those recommendations are detailed at Appendix 1 to this report.
- 1.5.2 Similarly, the findings of the 2011 Residents' Survey complemented and reinforced the work of scrutiny, and the views of children and young people, that there should be an emphasis on the availability of things to do and places to go, especially for teenagers.
- 1.5.3 The responses to Overview and Scrutiny and the Residents' Survey will be developed in more detail by the Cabinet Report relating to Youth and Play that is scheduled for the December 2011 Cabinet meeting.

## **1.6 Appendices:**

Appendix 1 – Cabinet Response to Overview and Scrutiny Recommendations regarding Youth Facilities and activities.

## **1.7 Contact officers:**

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## **1.8 Background information:**

Overview and Scrutiny Report: Facilities for Young People - May 2011

## **PART 2 – COMPLIANCE WITH PRINCIPLES OF DECISION MAKING**

### **2.1 Finance and other resources**

There are no finance issues arising directly from this report. The proposed actions arising from these recommendations will be delivered from existing budgets.

### **2.2 Legal**

There are no legal issues directly arising from this report

### **2.3 Consultation/community engagement**

Overview and Scrutiny members consulted with Officers from within the Children, Young People and Learning Directorate. Engagement also took place with groups of young people (in schools and youth clubs) and with the Youth Council.

## 2.4 Human rights

There are no human rights issues directly arising from this report.

## 2.5 Equalities and diversity

There are no equality and diversity issues directly arising from this report.

## 2.6 Risk management

There are no risk management issues directly arising from this report.

## 2.7 Crime and disorder

There are no crime and disorder issues directly arising from this report.

## 2.8 Environment and sustainability

There are no environment and sustainability issues directly arising from this report.

### PART 3 - SIGN OFF

- Strategic Director(s)
- Mayor/Cabinet Member(s)   
CM
- Chief Finance Officer
- Monitoring Officer
- Strategic Director with responsibility for Community Engagement