

Grenfell Community Assembly

This is a response/action list as a result of the Assembly held on 25 January 2021 on the theme of Activities for young people. Similar comments and questions made by residents may have been consolidated or amalgamated for ease of response.

Comment/questio n from residents	Theme	Owner	Response/action
Overall theme: Lock	down		
Where do children and young people go when there isn't space in parks and everything else is closed?	Lockdown (general)	Young K&C	Opportunities for young people are also advertised on RBKC's Family Information Service website, see <u>Young people's</u> <u>page Royal Borough of Kensington and</u> <u>Chelsea (rbkc.gov.uk)</u> RBKC's Local Offer page has activities that are specially tailored for children and young people with special needs and disabilities, at <u>SEND Local Offer Royal Borough of</u> <u>Kensington and Chelsea (rbkc.gov.uk)</u> .
Can RBKC open private parks?	Lockdown (general)	Parks Project Manager	We have no control over private spaces and have no power to intervene in their management

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How can children and young people access museums in small groups when we come out of lockdown?	Lockdown (general)	Exhibition Road Cultural Group	 All family and individual visitors will need to pre-book via our website. Booking is not currently open, but people can <u>sign up here</u> to be emailed when tickets are on sale. Tickets to the general museum are free, interactive gallery Wonderlab is charged. There are free family activities in the museum throughout holidays and most weekends. There are also free family activities available on our <u>website</u> for use at home or during a visit to the museum. We currently offer supported visits for groups booking through the following RBKC organisations: Youth Action Alliance, Paddington Arts, Clement James, The Dalgarno Trust, Pimento Supplementary School, Westway Trust, SPID Theatre
Overall theme: Mental Health			

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How do we support children and young people's mental health away from screens?	Mental Health	Imperial college Health Care NHS Trust	A lot of work has been done however in most cases entry point tends to be online, the following links have some good advice: <u>https://youngminds.org.uk/blog/what-to-do- if-you-re-anxious-about-coronavirus/</u> Grounding techniques: <u>https://youngminds.org.uk/blog/the- grounding-technique-that-helps-me-when-im- anxious/</u> A guide for writing poetry that can be downloaded and printed out: <u>https://t.co/TkqZxmdm7R?amp=1</u> Creative activities: <u>https://www.imperialcharity.org.uk/arts/patie</u> <u>nt-engagement-programme/creative-links/art- resources-library</u>
		Healthwatch Central West London	Young Healthwatch have gathered young people experiences with mental health, which has helped identify gaps in provision and informed how decision makers are planning on delivering services. You can find a lot of our outreach work on our webpage: <u>https://healthwatchcwl.co.uk/young- healthwatch-westminster/</u> .

Overall theme: Youth Provisions

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How can we make the current school curriculum more interesting and appealing to young people, through Youth provisions?	Youth Provisions	Young K&C	The school curriculum is decided nationally and implemented at each individual school. We would welcome more involvement of local charities and youth organisations in working with schools to make the school day more engaging for young people. Schools can do this by working with voluntary sector youth organisations in a range of different ways, including: commissioning youth groups to provide breakfast club, lunchtime, after school clubs and holiday programme for children and young people; or working with them to provide 1-2-1 mentoring of young people in schools. Schools can also help by opening up their facilities (for example sports pitches and playgrounds) during holidays for local children and young people to use. Sport England provides guidance for how this can be done safely. Schools can provide classroom space for local supplementary schools and homework clubs that can provide extra support for children and young people. Schools can also help promote local youth clubs and activities for young people in their areas. RBKC will arrange for Young K&C to meet with local schools to discuss ways for youth provisions to be more involved and work more closely with schools.

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How can RBKC promote activities that are open to vulnerable children and young people/key workers children? E.g. Posters in supermarkets	Youth Provisions	RBKC Comms	We can reach looked after children and care leavers with information on activities via our social work teams who know these children well. Other vulnerable children may be known to their school or college, with whom we have strong relationships and communication. We can provide information to schools directed at vulnerable/key worker children and request information is passed on to them. When reaching these groups, it's sometimes more effective to target messaging at the child's parent or carer, at which point social media channels such as Facebook or Twitter can be utilised. Physical promotional material is somewhat effective but has been less so during the pandemic with people staying home more often as per government guidance. As restrictions lift, we can reintroduce messaging in locations such as shops, health centres, children's centres and other setting frequented by parents and young people.
		Young K&C	This summer we will be promoting activities for children and young people via the Our City website, <u>Our City What's On for Young</u> <u>Londoners</u> . The website is currently being developed by Young K&C and the Young Westminster Foundation and will be promoted via social media. The website will also be promoted via local schools. Opportunities for young people are also promoted on Twitter @youngkandc and on Instagram @young_kandc and @rbkcyouth Local youth clubs also do their own publicity for young people in their area, which can include posters in supermarkets and other local sites.

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Can RBKC plan activities that lots of people can engage in? E.g. a list of things to try/places to visit in the borough everyone can access and do on their own/with family/bubble almost like a treasure hunt.	Youth Provisions	Young K&C	 RBKC's Change for Life programme has a range of activities for families to do. You can download this at: Activities Royal Borough of Kensington and Chelsea (rbkc.gov.uk) This summer we will be promoting activities for children and young people via the Our City website, Our City What's On for Young Londoners. The website is currently being developed by Young K&C and the Young Westminster Foundation and will be promoted via social media. The website will also be promoted via local schools. Opportunities for young people are also advertised on RBKC's Family Information Service website, see Young people's page Royal Borough of Kensington and Chelsea (rbkc.gov.uk) RBKC's Local Offer page has activities that are specially tailored for children and young people with special needs and disabilities, at SEND Local Offer Royal Borough of Kensington and Chelsea (rbkc.gov.uk).
		Bi Borough Sports Manager	Cricket, football, netball and tennis activities can be planned and booked for the sites below respectively. Avondale Park, Holland Park and Kensington Memorial Park. All activities on the sports facilities within these parks are subject to availability and require prior arrangement with the sports office. Emslie Horniman Pleasance. This site accommodates five hours of free community usage per day all week, and it doesn't require booking as it is first come first served.

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How to get more young people involved?	Youth provisions	Youth Participation	We encourage young people's involvements by creating a range of platforms and funding opportunities for young people to develop, design and deliver activities and programmes that meet their needs. We have launched the boroughs Youth Council, they act as the formal representative and spokesperson for the borough's young people providing a link to the borough's Mayor, Lead Members and other decision- making bodies. See more; https://www.rbkc.gov.uk/council-councillors- and-democracy/youth-council/kensington- and-chelsea-youth-council The youth council are actively looking for young people to join their steering group and play a role in shaping their community. If you are interested in becoming part of the team and having your voice heard please contact youthparticipation@rbkc.gov.uk	
Overall theme: Technology				
Can RBKC make WIFI available to all of north Kensington?	WIFI	IT Strategic Business Partner	Research will be needed to investigate the options and possibilities.	