

**Dudley North Youth Service Area Committee Report by Danny Millard
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Since our previous meeting the youth service has been involved in several activities including ice skating, bowling, trips to London, music workshops and visits to Go Kids Go.

Lower Gornal Youth Academy has been busy developing several new projects around Anti Social Behaviour and creating a positive community. They have been maintaining high numbers particularly on a Friday Night, which is now a disco from 7.30 till 9.00 pm. The project nights have also been popular leading to several young people gaining accreditations.

Busiest night for Coseley Youth Centre is Tuesday night, which encourages young people aged between 12 to 17 years to come. Dance and music projects are doing well at this moment. Young people aged 16 to 18 years old, have started to do voluntary work in the youth centre on different nights. After successfully completing a peer educators training on 'Sexual health and relationship', a group of young volunteers have started to run a condom drop in session in Coseley every Tuesday during the youth club session.

Sedgley Youth Centre is actively working to attract new members for both Monday and Thursday nights and is planning an event for July to promote the centre. We are also hoping to start a Drama workshop in Partnership with Jigsaw Youth Theatre in the near future.

Plans for the summer are being developed, they include a borough wide bike ride, trip to Alton Towers and a football tournament. Area activities such as fishing, girls day activities and 'come dine with me' are also in the planning stage. Information of the full programme will be available by early July.

We are still working alongside schools and will be starting a programme targeting year 10 pupils, which will be based around Social Enterprise.