

Earley Town Council

Vision for the Provision of Youth Services by Earley Town Council

Earley Town Council has pledged support for the improvement and expansion of the provision of services for young people in Earley.

Current ETC assets in terms of youth provision:

- Silverdale Centre – community centre within site of Maiden Erlegh school; weekly evening youth club (drop-in); music studio (operating pre-Covid)
- Bike Workshop – at Silverdale Centre; equipped workshop for bike maintenance and repairs
- 3 part-time sessional youth workers (2 of whom are trained in cycle maintenance)
- Collaboration with JAC (Just Around the Corner) to provide weekly outreach youth work (ETC's sessional workers plus JAC volunteer visiting open spaces in Earley to engage with young people)
- Outreach work to include a pop-up bike workshop near to the BMX track.

Plans currently in place:

- To recruit a Senior Youth Worker who will supervise, train and organize our team of sessional workers. They will also work with ETC's Youth Working Party to expand and grow the Town Council's provision to young people.

VISION

- To develop Earley Town Council's involvement in, and our provision of, services for young people in the local area
- To maximise the use of ETC assets with regards to services for young people
- To ensure our youth work team are properly supported and to expand the team of youth workers in Earley
- All ETC youth workers and youth work volunteers to adopt the Institute for Youth Work's Code for Ethical Conduct and Practice
- To encourage the recruitment of volunteers to assist with the delivery of ETC's youth services
- To work with other agencies and bodies, where appropriate, to expand the delivery of such services
- Where possible, to work in support of the themes as laid out in the National Youth Work Curriculum
- To identify areas of the Council's business where young people can be encouraged to get involved