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The Central Line

February is Safeguarding Awareness month (further information and toolkit later in this edition) and whilst we are all aware as professionals of the important role we must play in keeping children, young people and vulnerable adults safe, it is also important to take every opportunity to raise awareness through informal education. In our community work we have seen some successful community awareness raising events addressing County Lines, empowering individuals to recognise and report exploitative behaviours. [Awareness Days](#) and events are a good way to start powerful conversations so why not take advantage of them and put LGBT History, Children's Mental Health week, Time to Talk day, love and relationship and World Care Day on your agenda.



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The [YSS Portal](#) contains information, policies and procedures to help you in your work.

The Essential Skills for Life team are currently looking for rural villages across East Cambs and Fenland to base open access summer youth work projects with the Connections Bus Project. If you know a group of young people keen to get involved please nominate their village through [Emma Choolun](#).

A reminder that we are now actively recruiting yr 11's from our Early Help, LAC and SEND caseloads for involvement in our Summer 2019 NCS programme. If you are working with a yr 11 please arrange an introductory meeting with NCS via [Kim Jeffries](#).

Also, if you have an exciting idea or innovative approach you want to trial to engage young people in group work and need funding please do run it past me and the youth and community team will see if we can match you with a funder.

With January finally behind us let's look forward to the opportunities 2019 holds and how we can ensure our children, young people and communities access them.

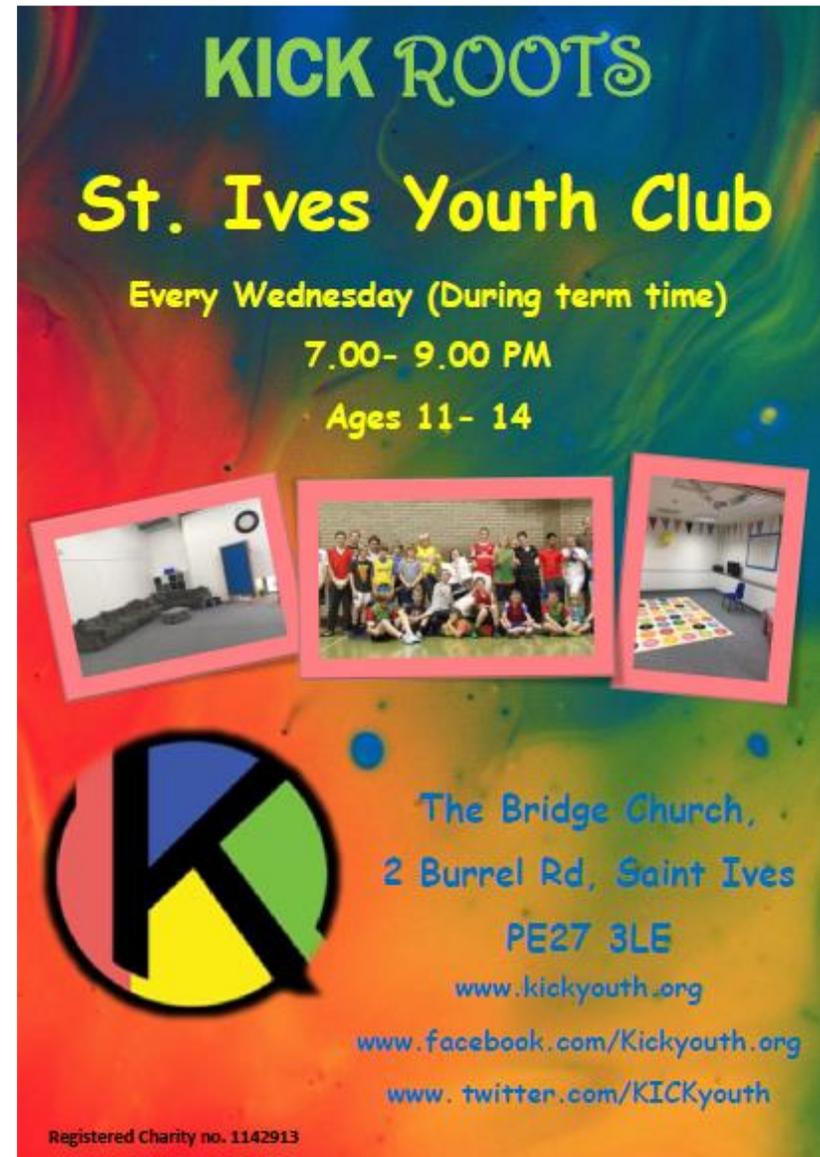
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County Youth and Community Manager

A Community Reach Fund grant has been given to KICK Roots Youth Clubs

The Youth & Community Coordinators have awarded KICK Roots Youth Club in St Ives a CRF grant to support volunteers in the community in the setting up of a new youth club for 11 – 14 year olds.

The youth club is open to the young people of St Ives and the surrounding area: details in the poster below.



NEET Performance and RPA

NEET Data for December 2018

The NEET data for December with comparison to this time last year:

Measure	Result Dec 2017	Result Dec 2018	Target Measure
16-18 yr olds NEET	2.4%	2.6%	2.4%
16-18 yr olds Not Known	0.7%	0.5%	0.7%
16/18 yr olds NEET and Not Known	3.1%	3.0%	3.1%
Year 12 In Learning	96.1%	95.4%	96.1%
Year 13 In Learning	91.7%	91.9%	92.1%

The above data for December 2018 shows that we are performing incredibly well again this year and against targets set, we have achieved most of our targets – certainly achieved our Target for NEET and Not Known. These figures are what are generally used as the result for the year and it should be acknowledged that under extreme pressures and complex issues, the YSS staff have achieved some fantastic results – so well done.

Latest Comparison Data with Eastern Region – December 2018

The latest comparison data that has been provided for December 2018 – shows Cambridgeshire are performing incredibly well with our Eastern Region Neighbours with only Thurrock performing better than Cambridgeshire as they have 0% Not Knowns.

	Academic age 16-17						Quintile
	NEET	NEET % NEET / (cohort - 710 - 720)	Not known	% not known NK / (cohort - 710 - 720)	NEET and NK	% NEET and NK (NEET + NK) / (cohort - 710 - 720)	
EAST OF ENGLAND	3591	2.9%	2180	1.7%	5771	4.6%	
Thurrock	63	1.7%	0		63	1.7%	1
Cambs	312	2.6%	57	0.5%	369	3.0%	1
Herts	632	2.5%	173	0.7%	805	3.2%	1
Essex	753	2.5%	529	1.7%	1282	4.2%	2
Bedford	135	3.6%	46	1.2%	181	4.8%	2
Norfolk	642	3.9%	164	1.0%	806	4.9%	2
Central Beds	168	3.0%	151	2.7%	319	5.6%	3
Luton	134	2.6%	156	3.0%	290	5.6%	3
Southend-on-Sea	100	2.5%	131	3.3%	231	5.9%	3
Suffolk	438	3.1%	572	4.0%	1010	7.1%	4
Peterboro'	214	4.7%	201	4.4%	415	9.1%	5

I have also checked out where we sit in comparison to all LA's in the country and we are in the top 15 LA's in the country for our NEET and Not Known Figures. These are fantastic results.

Mark Cowdell, County NEET Manager

Policy and Information

Safeguarding Awareness Campaign 2019 Toolkit

On behalf of the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Safeguarding Adults and Children Boards, please see the [Safeguarding Awareness Month campaign resource pack](#).

This year they are hoping to raise awareness of safeguarding with the general public, as well with partners and professionals, by using social media messages, and they are asking you to support them by following on Twitter and Facebook. Look out for #safeguardingawareness.

The attached pack (produced with the support of Comms leads from key agencies in the partnership) includes the messages they are asking you to share - either by reposting from their account or adapted and posted yourself to suit your particular work and client group, there are also other resources you can use for your own events and activities - posters and leaflets, quizzes and email banners - perhaps you can put up a safeguarding display, or talk about Safeguarding at a team meeting or community event - or simply add the banner to your email signature. Further information is on their [website](#).

Many of you helped make last year's campaign a real success, and they are hoping they have your support this time. Please let [Angela Harbour](#) know if you are planning any events, and if you can take some photos and send them in too that would be great.

Violence Against Women and Girls – Newsletter

The latest VAWG newsletter is available on the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Domestic Abuse and Sexual Violence Partnership [website](#).

Funding

Funding for Community Facilities

Registered Charities, churches, Parish Councils, Local Authorities and CASC registered sports clubs can apply for grants of between £2,000 and £100,000 for the provision, maintenance or improvement of community facilities.

This can include:

- Village Halls and Community Centres
- Public Play Areas;
- Publicly available Multi use games areas,
- Skate parks and BMX tracks;
- Sport and recreation grounds including pavilions and clubhouses with full public access.

The funding is being made available through the Landfill Operator [Wren's FCC Community Action Fund](#) and is available to projects located within 10 miles of an eligible FCC Environment site.

The closing date is 5pm on the 13th March 2019.

Useful Links: [Application Guidelines](#) / [Distance to a qualifying FCC Environment Site](#)

Support for Environmental Outreach Education for Disadvantaged Young People

Schools, colleges and youth groups can receive up to 80% towards the costs of providing environmental outreach education for groups of disadvantaged young people through the [Field Studies Council's Kids Fund](#). The Field Studies Council is an independent educational charity committed to raising awareness about the natural world and works through a network of residential and day Centres in the UK to provide outreach education and training.

Groups who meet one of the following criteria will be eligible:

- Disadvantaged young people aged 4-18 years (or up to 25 years for those with special needs).
- Voluntary youth groups (either run by voluntary leaders, managed by a voluntary organisation, a registered charity)

or

- School groups may apply if they are aiming to provide benefits which are additional to the statutory school curriculum or clearly show added value, depth and breadth to the taught curriculum. FSC Kids Fund will not pay for young people to attend standard curriculum-focused FSC courses.

One free staff/adult place is provided for every 12 young people; additional adults pay 20% + VAT. This includes all equipment, tuition and waterproof hire costs. Food and accommodation are included for residential courses.

The next closing date for applications is the 1st March 2019.

Funding for Projects that Support the Education and Development of Children and Young People

Schools, colleges and community groups in England can apply for grants to [BlueSpark Foundation](#) to support the education and development of children and young people through educational, cultural, sporting and other projects. BlueSpark is particularly keen to support projects which will help enhance the self-confidence, team working skills and future employability of children and young people.

Funding provided by BlueSpark for a project must be crucial to the project rather than marginally incremental to its funding. The funding available can be for physical assets (such as iPads, sports equipment, or lighting for stage productions) or for services or facilities (such as sports coaching or music or drama tuition) or simply for the provision of experiences (such as theatre visits). These examples are intended to be illustrative and not restrictive as to the funding which BlueSpark may provide to support projects.

Applications can be submitted at any time and must be made online on BlueSpark Foundation's standard Application Form.

Useful Links: [Online Application Form](#)

Holiday Grants for Disadvantaged and Disabled Children

Schools, youth groups, not for profit organisations and charities have until the 28th February 2019 to apply for grants of £500 to £2,500 to support recreational trips or holidays within the UK between the 1st February and

30th April 2019 for groups of children experiencing disadvantage or who have disabilities. Children need to be aged 13 or under to qualify.

Priority will be given to applications coming from the 20% most deprived areas in the UK. Funded by the [Henry Smith Charity](#), grants can cover up to two-thirds of the cost of a holiday or trip lasting one to seven days. In this round, trips must be taken before the end of April 2019. For more details and to apply, complete the eligibility quiz on the website and submit the application form online at least 6 weeks before the trip is due to take place. Although the deadline is the 30th April 2018, decisions are made on a first come-first served basis until all the funds have been allocated.

Useful Links: [Funding Guidelines](#)

Grant Programme for Arts Award Centre Opens Soon

The [Arts Award Access Fund](#) is offering grants of between £100 - £1500 to Arts Award centres working on Arts Award projects with young people for whom access, and inclusion is an issue.

Applications are welcomed from all registered Arts Award centres based in England, but priority will be given to centres that are working with young people for whom access, and inclusion is an issue and where the grant will be used to support the organisation to pilot, embed or develop their Arts Award work with these groups.

Grants can be used for a range of activities including: Discover, Explore or Bronze logs: Bronze, Silver or Gold guidance booklets: Fees for workshops with a professional or specialist: General art materials, printing costs, etc:

Tickets for events and travel to and from a venue: Contributions towards the costs of Gold leadership projects: Hire of specialist equipment or specialist venue: Adviser/project management/staff time: Discover certificates: Moderation costs for Explore, Bronze, Silver and Gold: Specific access requirements e.g. BSL/other translators; assistive technology specifically related to the Arts Award project (where renting is not cost effective).

The programme opens for applications on the 28th January 2019 and closes at 5pm, on the 1st March 2019.

Useful Links: [How to apply](#)

Grants for Activities Related to National Vegetarian Week

The Vegetarian Society is making grants available to help support community activities and events taking place around [National Vegetarian Week](#) which is in May 2019.

The grants are available to:

- Not for profit organisations in the UK (e.g. community groups, schools, and social housing schemes, Cubs, Brownies, Scouts or Guides etc)
- Vegetarian groups, local network groups and student vegetarian and vegan societies
- Informal groups of friends, parents or students.

Activities need to take place around National Vegetarian Week in May and must promote National Vegetarian Week exclusively as the primary purpose of the funded activity. Activities funded have to be exclusively vegetarian or vegan (so no non-vegetarian food or drink).

The Society is accepting applications for both large and small grants this year. Small grants will be up to £200 and large grants to be up to £2,000. Large grant applications need to demonstrate how their activity will have a bigger impact.

Grants could cover, for example:

- Food and ingredients
- Room hire
- Equipment hire
- Transport costs
- Cookery demonstration materials
- Public liability insurance
- Direct costs of delivering an activity

Closing dates are as follows:

Large grants – apply by Sunday 3rd March 2019

Small grants - the first deadline is Sunday 17th March and the final deadline is Sunday 14th April 2019

Useful Links: [Grant Guidelines](#) / [Apply for a Small Grant](#) / [Apply for a Large Grant](#)

Training

Please note staff must check with their line manager before applying to go on a course, whether or not there is a charge.

Learning and Development Team

LGSS Learning and Development courses, Children's Early Help, are now listed on [iLearn](#).

LSCB Courses

Course descriptions and how to book onto LSCB courses can be found on the [LSCB website](#).

FEBRUARY 2019

08.02.19	Early Help – Back to Basics	Peterborough Meeting Rm. Centre
08.02.19	Introduction to Child Criminal Exploitation	ABAX Stadium, Peterborough
26.02.19	Introduction to Safeguarding Children	Peterborough Meeting Rm. Centre

MARCH 2019

05.03.19	Safeguarding Children Training for General Practitioners – Level 3	Cambs FA
14.03.19	Introduction to Neglect	Peterborough Meeting Rm. Centre
14.03.19	Working with Child Criminal Exploitation	Hunts FA
15.03.19	Your Role in the Child Protection Process	Peterborough Meeting Rm. Centre
27.03.19	Using the Quality of Care Tool to Assess Neglect	Peterborough Meeting Rm. Centre

APRIL 2019

03.04.19	Introduction to Safeguarding Children	Hunts FA
11.04.19	Outcome Star	Peterborough Meeting Rm. Centre
25.04.19	Fabricated and Induced Illness	Peterborough Meeting Rm. Centre

MAY 2019

07.05.19	Graded Care Profile	Cambs FA
15.05.19	Safeguarding Children's Refresher	Peterborough Meeting Rm. Centre
16.05.19	Introduction to Neglect	Cambs FA

JUNE 2019

03.06.19	Working with Cases of Neglect	Peterborough Meeting Rm. Centre
05.06.19	Safer Recruitment	Peterborough Meeting Rm. Centre
14.06.19	Early Help – Back to Basics	Peterborough Meeting Rm. Centre
18.06.19	Safeguarding Children Training for General Practitioners – Level 3	ABAX Stadium - Peterborough
21.06.19	Introduction to Child Criminal Exploitation	Hinchingbrooke Country Park
27.06.19	Outcome Star	Peterborough Meeting Rm. Centre

JULY 2019

10.07.19	Introduction to Safeguarding Children	Peterborough Meeting Rm. Centre
15.07.19	Working with Child Criminal Exploitation	Peterborough Meeting Rm. Centre

SEPTEMBER 2019

11.09.19	Introduction to Safeguarding Children	Cambs FA
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18.09.19	Introduction to Neglect	Peterborough Meeting Rm Centre
20.09.19	Introduction to Child Criminal Exploitation	Hunts FA
24.09.19	Graded Care Profile	Hunts FA
24.09.19	Safeguarding Children Training for General Practitioners – Level 3	Cambs FA
25.09.19	Working with Cases of Neglect	Cambs FA

OCTOBER 2019

04.10.19	Early Help – Back to Basics	Peterborough Meeting Rm Centre
08.10.19	Safeguarding Children's Refresher	Peterborough Meeting Rm Centre
08.10.19	Fabricated and Induced Illness	Young People March
11.10.19	Safeguarding in Child Sexual Abuse	Peterborough Meeting Rm Centre
17.10.19	Outcome Star	Peterborough Meeting Rm Centre

NOVEMBER 2019

13.11.19	Using the Quality of Care Tool to Assess Neglect	Peterborough Meeting Rm Centre
14.11.19	Introduction to Safeguarding Children	Peterborough Meeting Rm Centre
15.11.19	Your Role in the Child Protection Process	Peterborough Meeting Rm Centre
18.11.19	Working with Child Criminal Exploitation	Hinchingbrooke Country Park
21.11.19	Working with cases of Neglect	Peterborough Meeting Rm Centre
29.11.19	Early Help – Back to Basics	Peterborough Meeting Rm Centre

DECEMBER 2019

03.12.19 Safeguarding Training for General Practitioners – Level 3

ABAX Stadium - Peterborough

DATES TO BE ADVISED

Working With Children and Young People who Display Sexually Harmful Behaviour
Self-Harm and Suicide

Other News and Information

Play With Pride - NEW LGBTQIA+ Project

Dear Partner,

We were recently successful in a National Lottery, Awards for All application to fund a project called 'Play With Pride'. The project is aimed at tackling homophobic behaviour and supporting LGBTQIA+ young people to be more physically active. This is in response to national and local research highlighting the high levels of physical inactivity amongst LGBTQIA+ young people.

The project will involve the creation of a quality assurance measure, 'rainbow rating', as well as designing and delivering a series of training workshops for coaches and clubs to support physical activity providers to be more inclusive. We will also be hosting two 'Play With Pride' Festivals (to be hosted in Fenland and Peterborough), and creating two LGBT activity clubs to help more young people engage in physical activity.

We aim to engage with as many young people as possible through the project, and therefore we are looking to work with local groups to recruit

young people who may be interested in being involved with the project. This will include:

- Accessing free young leader training hosted by 'The Kite Trust', and the chance to work with local sports/physical activity providers to aid them to become more inclusive.
- The opportunity to get experience in event coordination through supporting the PWP festivals.
- The opportunity to assist leading the LGBT activity clubs.

This is a great opportunity for young people to be a part of something that will influence the sector, whilst also allowing them to develop new skills for both personal development, and to gain more employability skills. If you have any groups/young people that you are currently working with or that you know of who may be interested in this opportunity then we would love the opportunity to chat in further detail.

Further information can be found on the Living Sport website [here](#).

If you are interested in the project, or if you have any questions then please feel free to contact me.

Best regards,

Ashlea Smith

Active Families Project Manager / Satellite Club Project Coordinator

Living Sport

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Project to support young people with money and job hunting

Centre33 are running a [project](#) to help 28 young people with their money and job hunting.

They are aiming to work with 28 young people, moving 5 into training and 5 into job search, offering up to 20 hours 1:1 coaching to help young people:

- Make sense of their money
- Get online
- Start to look for work.

“Sam can meet with you in a comfortable one-to-one setting and support you in forming a plan to enable you to get closer to your goals. You can ask for support with CV writing application form skills, interview skills, exploring volunteer options, exploring education/training options, help with getting online, support in starting to job search or anything else that may help you move forward.”

Sam is happy to chat to anyone who would like further details: Tel: 0333 4141809 or sam@centre33.org.uk

CAMHS open to Regional Advice

From 28th January 2019 the East of England Forensic Child and Adolescent Mental Health Service (FCAMHS) now accepts referrals for advice only from all agencies across the East of England region. This constitutes part of a phased roll out of the service.

FCAMHS is a regional specialist service, hosted by Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Foundation NHS Trust, for children and young people aged 0-18 whereby:

- there is a concern about a young person's mental health (this may include neurodevelopmental disorder and/or learning disability)
- the young person presents with high risk of harm to others and about whom there is major family or professional concern
- the young person may be in contact with the criminal justice system or be likely to enter secure care.

FCAMHS accepts referrals from any professional working with children and young people.

The FCAMHS Team

East of England Community FCAMHS is a specialist regional service which accepts referrals in relation to high risk young people with complex needs.

The team currently consists of:

- Kathy Lawrence-Clarke - FCAMHS Service Manager
- Dr Suzanne Coghlan - Consultant Child and Adolescent Forensic Psychiatrist/Clinical Lead
- Dr Rebecca Morland - Consultant Psychologist
- Paula Loades - Senior Administrator
- Oliver Ayres – Peer Support Worker

Those who will be joining the team in 2019 are:

- Anna Walton – Forensic Psychologist (registration pending)
- Charlotte Ruggles - Administrator

- Emma Haworth – Highly Specialist Clinical Psychologist
- Gemma Connor – Senior Social Worker
- Olly Hibble – Senior Mental Health Practitioner

For further information on how to make a referral and to view a copy of the FCAMHS leaflets and privacy notice, please visit their NHS [webpage](#).

The team can be contacted Monday to Friday, 9am to 5pm via secure email: cpm-tr.FCAMHS@nhs.net and also via the new phone number 0300 3009300. Their new [East of England Community FCAMHS website](#) has also been launched.

Voluntary safeguarding code of practice

The Department for Education is seeking your views on a draft voluntary safeguarding code of practice for out-of-school settings providers, and associated parental guidance. The consultation will remain open until 24th February 2019. Click [here](#) to submit your views.

NYA: Youth Covenant

Where help and investment in early years and older people is well-recognised and reflected in public policies, the Youth Covenant helps 'make the case' with a clear narrative in support of adolescence as a period of life that brings significant physical and emotional changes. The Youth Covenant provides a framework for the youth sector and providers to take a lead with young people, supported but not prescribed by Government.

Read more on the [National Youth Agency website](#).

Welcome for young people's mental health plan

A government pledge to boost mental health support for young people has been cautiously welcomed by charities who say it must go further.

The [NHS Long Term Plan](#), published in early January by NHS England, promises to help 345,000 more young people through community-based services including schools and colleges.

Crisis care, early intervention, and a "continuous care" approach that provides mental health support through to age 25 are also key areas set to benefit from the plan, which recognises that "between the ages of 5-15, one in every nine children has a mental disorder".

A key government goal is to ensure that 100% of children and young people who need specialist care can access it.

Read more on the [Children & Young People Now website](#).

Deprived areas to get 6,000 new youth group places

Uniformed youth groups are to share £4.2m in government funding to boost the number of places for young people from disadvantaged backgrounds.

The money is being distributed to nine groups through the Uniformed Youth Fund, which was announced last September, to help uniformed youth groups expand into deprived areas of England.

A total of 6,250 new places and 1,150 new adult volunteer roles are expected to be created through the funding.

The [Volunteer Police Cadets](#) will receive £860,500 to set up 75 new units in deprived areas

The [Scouts](#) has received £781,750 to create 60 new units as well as develop an impact measurement tool of its work with under-13s.

[Girlguiding](#) has been given £718,458 to boost volunteer numbers in areas of disadvantage and carry out research looking at children's social and emotional development, expand volunteer training and improve the accessibility of its website.

[St John Ambulance](#) will receive £561,250 to create more volunteers and provide a mentoring and induction programme for young people.

The [Sea Cadets](#) will receive £420,937 to open 25 junior cadet units in deprived areas and pilot lowering its starting age from 10 to nine years old, with the aim of helping children when they move between primary and secondary school.

The [Fire Cadets'](#) £141,199 award will create a new unit in the North East of England with a focus on helping particularly vulnerable groups including young people not in education, employment and training, looked-after children, care leavers and young carers.

The [Boys Brigade](#)'s £228,993 award will support young people with special needs and mental health problems in deprived areas.

The [Jewish Lads' and Girls' Brigade](#) has been given £292,500 and the [Girls' Brigade](#) has been awarded £216,040.

Have your say with the British Irish Parliamentary Assembly

UK Youth's Erasmus+ funded project comprises young people from across the five nations of the UK and Ireland, coming together to represent young people at the British Irish Parliamentary Assembly (BIPA). The participants have identified policy calls from research in their nations and have [launched a survey](#) to allow young people across the five nations to vote for their priorities. Please pass the survey on to young people in your networks to allow them to vote to prioritise the issues that matter to them the most. The young people are also collecting stories and experiences to inform the final report and presentation to the parliamentarians at the assembly. Deadline for responses is 28th February. You can track their progress on Twitter via the hashtag [#BIPAYouth](#)

Learner driver research: Driver 2020

DVSA is supporting Transport Research Laboratory (TRL) to help improve the safety of young newly qualified drivers through the Driver 2020 project.

Driver 2020 aims to identify which training, education and technology-based approaches give the greatest benefits to the safety, skill and confidence of young newly qualified drivers.

In a world-leading piece of research, TRL will be gathering information from more than 14,000 young people over the 3 years of the project.

Anyone under 25 years old can apply to take part in the trial if they're learning to drive.

Learners who take part might get free training, e-learning or be asked to download an app to help them with their learning.

They will also be paid to complete several surveys after they pass their test.

All learner drivers taking part in the research will be entered into a prize draw to win a year's free car insurance or other prizes including iPads and shopping vouchers.

You can read [further details of the trial](#) here.

Siblings Forever

Siblings Forever is looking for staff!

Siblings Forever is a project run within Cambridgeshire County Council, which brings together brothers and sisters who have been separated in care. The siblings come together at a residential weekend at Grafham Water for two nights and three days.

The staff group is made up of workers from across CCC who are energetic, like a challenge, have a strong interest in direct work with young people, and have a good sense of humour.

Olly Grant is looking for staff who might be interested and able to become part of the on-site staff team for projects taking place on 24-26 May 2019 and 18-20 October 2019. If you would be interested please make contact with Olly Grant, 01353 612805 or olly.grant@cambridgeshire.gov.uk, before the end of February 2019.

Vacancies

Connections Bus Project

Intergenerational Youth Worker

A 15 hours per week contract from April 2019 to July 2020, term time only, to run the Generation Game courses in East Cambs and Fenland

Sessional Youth Workers

Sessional youth workers wanted for youth bus sessions that will be running in the same area from April 2019 – October 2019. Minimum of 1 session a week but could be up to 4 sessions a week over 2 evenings.

Full details of all positions are on the [Connections Bus website](#).

If you would like this information in an alternative format please contact
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