

8 May 2025

Dear Councillor

You are summoned to attend a **HYBRID MEETING** of the **YOUTH COMMITTEE** of **ACTON COMMUNITY COUNCIL** to be held in accordance with Local Government and Elections (Wales) Act 2021 on **Wednesday 14 May 2025 at 6.30pm**. The Meeting will be held in the **TRAINING ROOM** at **ACTON COMMUNITY RESOURCE CENTRE**, Overton Way, Acton, Wrexham LL12 7LB.

For anyone unable to join the meeting in person, you can join the Zoom Meeting online using this [hyperlink to join the hybrid Youth Committee meeting on Wednesday 14 May 2025](#) or use the Meeting ID: 894 0322 0849 and Passcode: 137219. Please note that the Meeting and those participating will be recorded. The business to be transacted is as set out in the agenda below.

Yours sincerely

*Carole Roberts*

Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer to the Council

## AGENDA

### 1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:

**2. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS:** To receive disclosures of personal and prejudicial interests from Councillors on matters to be considered at the meeting. The disclosure must include the nature of the interest. If you become aware, during the course of a meeting, of an interest that has not been disclosed under this item you must immediately disclose it. You may remain in the meeting and take part fully in discussion and voting unless the interest is prejudicial. A personal interest is prejudicial if a member of the public with knowledge of the relevant facts would reasonably regard it as so significant that it is likely to prejudice your judgment of the public interest and it relates to a financial or regulatory matter.

**3. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES:** To confirm the Minutes of the Meeting of the Youth Committee held on 12 February 2025, as submitted to the Meeting of the Community Council on 19 February 2025 (Copy attached)

### 4. INFORMATION ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

**5. TERMS OF REFERENCE: (FOR INFORMATION ONLY):** The Youth Committee was appointed at the Annual Community Council meeting held in May 2024 with the attached **Terms of Reference**:

**6. PLAY SUFFICIENCY PROJECT WITH WREXHAM CBC FOR STAFFED PLAY PROVISION IN THE ACTON COMMUNITY:** The Play Development Team have been invited to attend the meeting to give an update on this Project. (Report attached)

**7. ACTON YOUTH WORK PROJECTS – SERVICE LEVEL AGREEMENTS:** To receive and consider the Q4 Report and other information to be provided at the meeting by representatives of the Caia Park Partnership in respect of performance monitoring to 31 March 2025 on the operation of this Service Level Agreement for the provision of an Open Access Youth Service. (Report attached)

**8. PROVISION FOR LONGER TERM FINANCIAL SUPPORT TO YOUTH ORGANISATIONS/GROUPS IN THE ACTON COMMUNITY:** To note that no applications have been received by the deadline.

**MEMBERS OF THE YOUTH COMMITTEE:** Chair and Vice-chair of the Council, Councillors Kevin Roberts (ex officio) and Ralph Hardy (ex officio) together with Councillors Trevor Coxon, Anne Evans, Andy Gallanders, Holly Hewitt, Corin Jarvis, and Phil Lloyd.

**PLEASE NOTE: THE AGENDA IS ALSO BEING CIRCULATED TO ALL OTHER MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL FOR INFORMATION**

**Minutes of the Hybrid YOUTH COMMITTEE meeting held on Wednesday 12 February 2025.**

Present:      Councillor      Kevin Roberts (Chair)  
                     "                Trevor Coxon  
                     "                Anne Evans  
                     "                Andy Gallanders  
                     "                Holly Hewitt  
                     "                Corin Jarvis  
                     "                Phil Lloyd      \*  
                     1 Vacancy

\* Absent

Also Present:      Ms. Karianne Harston, Wrexham CBC Play Development Team  
                         Mr. Jon Stumpp, Caia Park Partnership  
                         Mr. Morgan Peters, Welsh Youth Parliament  
                         Mrs. Sue Davies, Financial Support Applicant  
                         Mr. Mike Pritchard, Financial Support Applicant  
                         Mr. Joe Garner, Financial Support Applicant  
                         Mr. Jason Taylor, Financial Support Applicant  
                         Mr. Pete Callaghan, Financial Support Applicant  
                         Mrs. Carole Roberts, Acton Community Council  
                         Mrs. Michelle Williams, Acton Community Council

**19. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

No apologies for absence were received.

**20. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS**

There were no declarations made at this stage of the proceedings.

**21. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

***RESOLVED – that the Minutes of the hybrid Youth Meeting held on 13 November 2024, as submitted to the Meeting of the Community Council on 20 November 2024 be received and confirmed as a correct record.***

**22. INFORMATION FROM THE 13 NOVEMBER 2024 MINUTES**

**MINUTE 15: TERMS OF REFERENCE:** Members noted the amendments to the Youth Committee Terms of Reference had been endorsed by the Council.

**23. TERMS OF REFERENCE**

The Youth Committee was re-appointed at the Annual Community Council meeting held in May 2024 and its Terms of Reference were noted, including the amendment to item 10 that clarified and strengthened the Youth Committee's powers to determine, approve Youth grants from the £5,000

budget allocated to the Committee for such purposes and to have power to act.

#### **24. PLAY SUFFICIENCY PROJECT WITH WREXHAM CBC FOR STAFFED PLAY PROVISION IN THE ACTON COMMUNITY**

The Chair welcomed Karianne Harston, Wrexham Play Development Team to the Meeting. Members considered the Quarter 3 performance monitoring report on the operation of and attendance at this Play Sufficiency Project based on the Green at Little Acton. It was noted that this play provision was still working well with the number of children attending remaining consistent despite a tendency for numbers to drop during the winter months. The average attendance per week is eleven children.

Members discussed the potential location for the pilot holiday sessions to take place during the Easter, Whit, Summer and October school holidays, with consideration being given to the Goulbourne and Fairways estates.

##### **RESOLVED –**

- i. To accept the update and Quarter 3 SLA report as now submitted;*
- ii. That a further SLA monitoring report after the end of quarter four be submitted by Wrexham CBC Play Development Officers to the next Youth Committee Meeting expected to be arranged for 14 May 2025*
- iii. That the Fairways Estate be the preferred location for the School Holiday Pilot Sessions.*
- iv. The Karianne Harston contact Councillor Trevor Coxon to discuss suitable locations on the Fairways Estate for the Pilot Sessions*

#### **25. SERVICE LEVEL AGREEMENTS – ACTON YOUTH WORK PROJECTS**

The Chair welcomed Jon Stumpp to the Meeting. Members considered the report circulated prior to the meeting, in respect of the Quarter 3 performance monitoring to 31 December 2024, on the operation of this Service Level Agreement for the provision of an Open Access Youth Service at the Acton Community Resource Centre. The report set out in detail updates on the Acton Juniors and Acton Seniors, and positive outcomes from activities organized by staff. Members appreciated the case study included in the report.

Jon Stumpp confirmed that the number of children attending the Junior Group had increased to nineteen, with approximately thirty children attending over the Junior and Senior Groups. Jon also explained that some sessions had been cancelled, but there was a surplus of contractual hours as the duration of some trips was five hours which counts as two sessions. Members discussed the benefits of residential courses, however, it was noted that Jon Stumpp would need to discuss the logistics of a residential course with his staff members.

##### **RESOLVED –**

- i. To accept the update and report as now submitted and*
- ii. That a further monitoring report after the end of quarter four be submitted by the Caia Park Partnership to the next Youth Committee Meeting expected to be arranged for 14 May 2025.*

#### **26. PROVISION FOR LONGER TERM FINANCIAL SUPPORT TO YOUTH ORGANISATIONS/GROUPS IN THE ACTON COMMUNITY**

Members received the Clerk's report detailing the Youth Grant applications received for financial support from Youth Organisations/Groups in the Acton Community from the £5,000 budget specifically allocated to the Committee. Members then proceeded to consider the application deferred from the November 2024 Youth Committee Meeting and two applications received during the present quarter:

The Chair welcomed Mike Pritchard, Sue Davies, Joe Garner / Jason Taylor / Pete Callaghan to the

meeting. Each of the three applicants gave a short presentation and answered Member's questions. All applicants then left the meeting while Members deliberated and made their decision on each application.

Applicants were then invited back into the Meeting and were informed of the Committee's decision.

***RESOLVED – that the following Financial Assistance grants be made under the Council's Powers contained in Section 19 of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976 :-***

<b>Organisation</b>	<b>Details</b>	<b>Amount</b>
1. CPD Dinas Wrexham	Grant to start a new U6 football team, which could then be repeated every year to provide a team for those children without a club. Any funding would be spent on equipment and coaching qualifications.	<b>£1333.00</b>
2. Acton Football Club – Youth Girls Section	The club are seeking funding to help promote and develop girls's football in Acton and the surrounding area.	<b>£1333.00</b>
3. 1 <sup>st</sup> Acton Rainbows	The group are seeking help to subsidise transport costs to enable the group to attend large scale events in Clwyd, so they can meet and interact with similar groups (Rainbows & Brownies). These events usually take place at our County House, Ty Clwyd, in Abergele.	<b>£1333.00</b>
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£3999.00</b>

***The Committee has power to act***

***Councillor Kevin Roberts Chair***

***Signed as a correct record this 14 May 2025***

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***Presiding Chair***

**ACTON COMMUNITY COUNCIL – YOUTH COMMITTEE TERMS OF REFERENCE  
(FOR INFORMATION ONLY)**

- 1) To **keep under** review and develop **emerging** options to enable future Service providers to provide Pilot or other Youth Projects across any of the five Acton Community Wards ensuring they are fit for purpose and reflect the requirements of the Community Council and current best practice;
- 2) To receive and monitor from existing and any future Service providers, reports to the Community Council on any subsequent projects to include performance monitoring reports to ensure the Service Specification is being met and such Projects represent good value for money;
- 3) To monitor the reporting requirements contained within the Service Level Agreements with the Caia Park Partnership to provide Youth Work Projects for 8-18 year olds for two sessions of Youth Work for 8-12 & 13-18 year olds per week at the Acton Community Resource Centre.
- 4) To bring any concerns about the performance or effectiveness of the current and any future Provider or Project immediately to the attention of the full Council.
- 5) To investigate and report its findings and recommendations back to the Council on the feasibility of implementing the Recommendations of the 2018 Borrass Park Play Sufficiency Assessment with focus initially on zero or minimal cost projects that can build on their success unless Wrexham County Borough Council Officers are able to identify funding for larger projects as part of its “Play Pledge”;
- 6) In the first instance, the primary focus of the Youth Committee shall be on Recommendations 2 and 3 from the 2018 Play Sufficiency Assessment (WCBC) namely :-
  - i- To develop a program of community activities, events and projects to be carried out in partnership with Wrexham CBC, the Acton Park Ranger and established Community Groups such as the Friends of Acton Park; and
  - ii- to press for the Local Education Authority and Schools themselves to enable and permit access to school grounds during evenings, weekends and school holidays to enable young people to play safely and away from traffic in their own neighbourhood.
- 7) To receive quarterly updates and monitoring reports on the progress and success of the Acton Play Sufficiency Project from the WCBC Play Development Team.
- 8) The scope of the Service Level Agreement with the Caia Park Partnership can be extended to encompass any emergency Detached Youth Work in response to any Measures or similar that may be put in place to ensure continued service delivery of the Projects that may have to be held outdoors in accordance with National and Welsh Government advice and guidance and in order to react to any emerging risks in the future.
- 9) To consider and review parameters to receive and consider applications for funding from Acton Community Youth Organisations/Groups that will enable them to remain viable or provide financial support for special project for a set number of years [Approved by Council in September 2023 Minute 53.2)i) refers]
- 10) To receive presentations from eligible Youth Groups based in the Acton Community each quarter and to approve Grants with longer term funding (subject to annual review) from within the £5,000 budget allocation specifically set for such purposes and as per the Criteria agreed by the Youth Committee on 25 October 2023. [Minute 16 of Youth Committee refers]. For further clarification, as per Minute 91.2, at the November 2024 Council Meeting it was resolved that specific delegated powers be given to the Youth Committee from the next quarter and going forward so that in future the Youth Committee is allowed to determine, agree and act on youth grant decisions and expenditure from the £5.000 budget specifically allocated to the Youth Committee.

~End of Terms of Reference~

## Acton Report – 1<sup>st</sup> April 2024 – 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025

### Playwork Projects: supporting children to play out earlier and more often

Over the past few generations there has been a significant shift in the age at which children start playing out in their community independently of their parents and/or carers. Where it might previously have been normal to see children aged four or five playing out (often with older children keeping an eye on them) in some communities children now only start being allowed to play out on their own, or with friends, at the age of 10 or 11. This change in culture has occurred for a number of reasons including increases in the amount and speed of traffic, sensationalist media reporting of tragic incidents, greater pressure on parents of young children to work and an over-structuring of children's time outside of school. As a result parents are understandably more cautious about allowing their young children out to play and often struggle to find time for play within the busy schedule of work, childcare and other extra-curricular activities.

Our playwork projects support parents, other carers and children to feel more confident about playing out in their local communities and encourage them to prioritise time for playing out alongside other more structured activities. In doing so our aim is to support children to play out from as early as is possible and to continue playing out regularly throughout their childhoods.

### Further Information

Please see 4 key links below which outline the importance of children's play, its rationale and the legislative framework for play in Wales.

1. United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child (UNCRC) article 31 and general comment 17 underline the importance of play and the impact it has on children's wellbeing: [General comment No. 17 \(2013\) on the right of the child to rest, leisure, play, recreational activities, cultural life and the arts \(art. 31\) | Refworld](#)
2. Welsh Government legislative guidance on local authorities statutory duty to provide sufficient opportunities for children's play [Wales: a play friendly country | GOV.WALES](#)
3. Link to short film entitled 'This is Why Play is So Important' developed by Play Wales: <https://youtu.be/UnfdamgVFhY>
4. Summary paper of a new, upcoming publication which conducts a review of recent research into children's play, social policy and practice, with a focus on Wales. Ultimately providing a vast evidence base as to how play supports children to be well: [Summary – Playing and being well: A review of recent research into children's play, social policy and practice, with a focus on Wales - Play Wales](#)

### **Attendance Statistics for Acton (1<sup>st</sup> April 2023 – 31<sup>st</sup> March 2024)**

	<b>1<sup>st</sup> April 2023 -31<sup>st</sup> March 2024</b>
<b>Number of sessions</b>	43
<b>Total number of visits</b>	299
<b>Average attendance per session</b>	7
<b>Individual number of children registered</b>	83

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	<b>1<sup>st</sup> April 2024 -31<sup>st</sup> March 2025</b>
<b>Number of sessions</b>	49
<b>Total number of visits</b>	573
<b>Average attendance per session</b>	12
<b>Individual number of children registered</b>	92

As the figures above show we have delivered 49 sessions this financial year with 573 attendances, the average attendance is 12.

It is particularly pleasing to note these figures when compared to last year's figures (23-24) average attendance was 7. This improvement in attendance across the year to date demonstrates that the sessions are now becoming embedded within the community and more importantly into children's lives.

Finally, 92 individual children have registered to the play sessions which is an increase from the whole of the previous year reinforcing the notion that the project is now becoming established within the community.

### **Easter 2025**

During Easter we ran the first two sessions of the new play provision on the Fairways. These sessions were well attended- with 32 children attending the first session & 22 attending the second. This is a great start to the new provision which we hope will continue to be popular. The next session on the Fairways will be Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> May, 11am-1pm.

### **Advertising**

As you are aware, we have promoted the project with a leaflet drop in the surrounding streets of the play space. We delivered a promoted the sessions in local school assemblies. We have linked with CCP who have also kindly circulated our promotional material during their sessions. In addition to this we have updated our 25/ 26 timetable which has been circulated on social media with specific community posters as well. The WCBC play website and related QR code directs people to all playscheme information.



## Playworker comments

Below is some feedback from our playwork team who deliver the weekly sessions and the things they have been up to:

“It has been really nice to see the sessions grow in popularity over the past year. We have done a lot of work to try and encourage more children to attend, so to see that paying off is great. I have loved seeing the children develop relationships with one another and with the playworkers. It is nice when other members of the community come over for a chat, and they often share their memories of playing out as a child. It’s been really good to see the sessions become part of the community and the children look forward to coming each week, so much so that many of them continued to come throughout the colder months. The new sessions on The Fairways were really well attended- it was wonderful to see so many children out enjoying themselves. I’m excited to see how these sessions progress throughout the next year.”







**CAIA PARK PARTNERSHIP LTD:**

**Contract Monitoring  
between  
Acton Community Council  
and  
Caia Park Partnership Ltd**

**Quarter 4 Jan - March 2025**





## Service delivery Jan- March 2025

The fourth quarter of this contractual year has seen a slight rise in positive engagement from the young people of Acton. This has been helped by the longer days towards the end of the year, before the holiday and really nice weather effects engagement (young people like being outside with their friends). With average attendance being 16 young people at the junior sessions, and 10 for the seniors. Some young people have also had their dance/theatre groups move days which has impacted on them attending on a Wednesday.

Great activities have been on offer at both clubs, whilst positive conversations have been encouraged within their peer groups and with the staff team on subjects ranging from healthy relationships, extra-curricular activities such as joining theatre groups/Duke of Edinburgh, revision tips, coping with exams in school and different learning styles and forms of education, careers, and employability.

### Junior Youth Club

The junior sessions remain a well-attended provision, with average weekly attendance during this quarter being in the 15-20 range, with an upper total of 23. Be-



haviour levels are consistent, and the staff team continue to utilise the behaviour and consequence procedure as and when required so that clear boundaries are set accompanied by consistent positive reinforcement strate-

gies. Positive professional relationships continue to be built coupled with consistency within the team. The team focus on the strengths and assets of the young people with consistent empathetic support meaning behaviour management becomes less needed. However, as new members join the club, maybe with additional learning or support needs, group dynamics are affected for a limited period of time, until the group settles back into its normal rhythm. This is helped by the team having a good

understanding of group dynamics gained from academic studies and giving extra responsibility to more senior members within the club. The young people use the outdoor spaces irrespective of the weather!

In addition to the usual youth club activities such as pool, ps5 – FIFA25, board games, games of bingo; the young people at Acton Juniors have engaged in lots of positive and engaging activities, which have included but are not limited to:

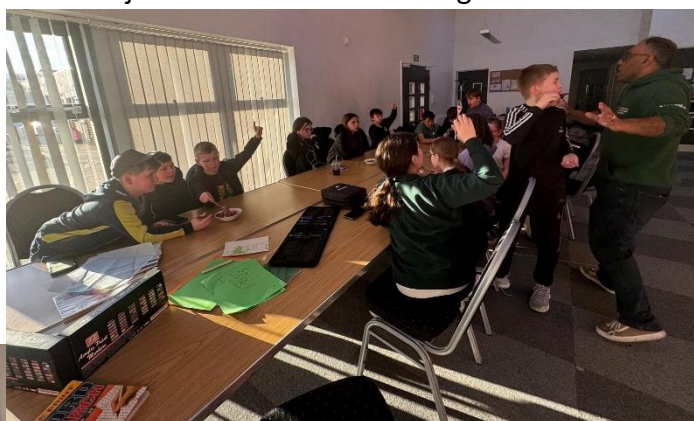
- Cook-and-Eat – we are reminded constantly by the young people that they are hungry when



they attend the provision, sometimes saying that they haven't eaten since their school dinner. As a team we try and deliver cook and eat sessions as many times as we can over the course of the quarter, which have an added benefit of initiating informal conversations on healthy eating, balanced diets, and health and wellbeing. During this quarter young people in the junior session have been con-

sulted on what they want, been able to plan, prepare, cook-and-eat a variety of easy and convenient food/snacks such as healthy wraps, pitta pizzas, fruit kebabs and decorating biscuits. As always, we incorporate informal learning into the sessions, enabling young people to gain valuable living skills in the process. Additionally, learning outcomes achieved are an apparent and increased awareness in basic food hygiene, health and safety, cooking on a budget, whilst they also get to eat their creation! A major consideration for doing the cook-and-eat sessions is that they can concentrate

- Arts and Crafts is always a favourite in the Acton Jnr



on opposed firm sessions, there are many creative young people who attend, so the staff team always find ways of incorporating arts and crafts activities into the programme. During the quarter, young people have drawn pictures, painted, made bracelets using loom bands and more.

- Bingo is never on the back burner at the junior session; they love a good game of bingo! The group engage well every time and enjoy being the one to use the bingo machine and call the numbers out, a good way of incorporating numbers/numeracy into the club, thus increasing confidence at the same time too, bingo also supports the building of patience and concentration.
- Tuck shop has been dropped for Acton juniors, as it was decided that the young people would benefit more by the cook-and-eat sessions.
- Topical discussions and awareness – during this period topical discussions have still been undertaken as and when the need arises, and very often about current affairs, if young people ask about something that's a hot topic, we encourage a small group discussion about it which have proven, not only popular, but also beneficial. In the quarter issues such as transitioning to new regimes, bullying, self-worth and healthy relationships. Feeling ashamed of their bodies how to deal with misogynistic attitudes have also been discussed with the girls.



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- Den making is still a favourite at Acton juniors. They enjoy getting all the bean bags, gym mats and parachute to make dens in and outside of youth club. This activity enables them to engage with creativity, use their imagination, practice social norms, experiment and utilise space and equipment in an imaginative, safe way. The den making also enables them to develop team leadership and teambuilding skills. Working together to build their dens, cooperating, whilst the boys have had some extra fun wrestling under supervision. The girls love watching this and it has led to informal discussions about safe play, risk management, and personal safeguarding techniques.
- Trips – the young people were able to attend a multi-club ice-skating trip to Deeside leisure centre. They got the opportunity to mix with other young people from other clubs, and it was nice to see the more adept young skaters supporting the others. They had food and for some young people this was an opportunity to participate in an activity they would not normally get the chance to.







Overall, it has been another enjoyable quarter for staff and service users alike.

## ACTON SENIORS



The senior sessions have stayed steady this quarter after the stabilisation last quarter. We still encourage and have seen some transitioning from the junior sessions to senior sessions. The usual friendship groups drift off for a few weeks at a time and then come back, with new groups forming a trend we see across our various Wrexham clubs, as young people transition into other schools, regimes, stages of development, develop at different rates, form new identities and gain new interests.



The young people in the older session are still much more self-sufficient and have created their space as they like it with karaoke, craft, and general discussion and conversation in a safe and managed environment, with access to youth workers to discuss hot topics or experiment new ideas or opinions. Adolescence has been a common thread recently, which has helped delve deeper into certain unhealthy and healthy lifestyle choices, potential consequences, both physical and psychological. The club gives them a place to meet with their peers, talk about everyday life, and generally hang out.

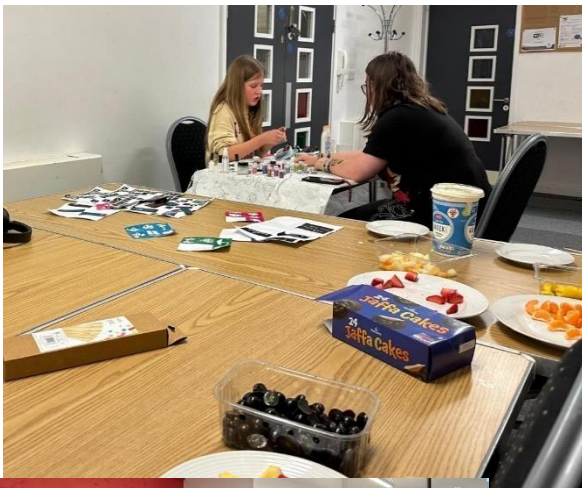
In addition to this however, the youth work team continue to make sure that they can participate in engaging and positive activities whilst at the club. As well as the standard youth club offerings such as pool, Play Station 5, board games, bingo, they have also had an option to engage in activities such as:



- Arts and Crafts – the older teens, very much like the juniors, enjoy many different forms of arts and crafts. Young people also had an opportunity to be creative and expressive using henna tattoos, they really enjoyed this session and there were some great pieces of work! They also love their board games, helping with problem-solving, whilst also engaging with members of the club that are neuro-diverse.



- Cook and eat – The older teens, as well as the junior group, also really enjoy, and benefit from



the cook and eat sessions in club. To make sure that the allocated budget stretches as far as possible we deliver the same sessions in both juniors and seniors so there's less wastage, and the same equipment is used. Therefore, during this monitoring period young people in the senior session have also cooked/prepared healthy pitta pizzas, stir-fry noodles, healthy wraps, pasta and sauce, fruit kebabs and more.



The young people have enjoyed making pancakes, smoothies, Mothers' Day art creations amongst other things. The young people have felt more comfortable expressing themselves in front of the group, developed their inter-personal skills, creativity, social imagination, and communication skills .

**Trips-** The young people have enjoyed an ice skating trip to Deeside leisure centre, with two senior club members aiding with leading the trip under the supervision of the team. It was brilliant to see the young people from different clubs mixing and helping each other as this was attended by four of our clubs. The inclusivity demonstrated by the young people was a joy to see as two of our neurodiverse young people came from the club. This is due to the supportive and inclusive environment the staff have worked hard to create and maintain at club, encouraging participation and providing chill-out zones with stress sensory aids.

However time consuming, resource intensive and stressful it can be to organise trips like these across the year all the staff agree that they are well worth the effort; the relationships built during them are

those that would take a lot of time if the young people were seen for just a couple of hours a week, but ultimately the team know that many of the cohort would otherwise not have the opportunity to attend activities like ice-skating, going to markets, bowling or going to Alton Towers past year with their peers, whether that be due to lack of disposable income in the household, or that they were not able to attend school trips as some schools set unachievable pre-requisites for them –preventing some from ever attending. Total number of contacts are slightly down from last quarter due to staff training and starting slightly later following Christmas. Acton is always a club that dips in numbers during holidays due to some having families that are financially able to go abroad. However, we also have those who are not able to which is why it's important to keep provisions going over the holidays.

### **Case Study.**

We are sad to be saying goodbye to one of our seniors. They have overcome some difficult mental health issues and have been supported through various stages of development and will be sorely missed. They been supported to progress onto college to do their health and social care and complete their placement despite having to overcome certain challenges encountered there. They have helped set up and close club sessions, helped staff to sort resources, gone to the shop to get extra resources for cook-and-eat sessions, and helped make everyone feel included. They have overcome the splintering of their friendship group and the moving on of staff who have been present for most of their journey through juniors and seniors. I have had the privilege of seeing them overcome all that life has thrown at them, become more resilient, and self-confident. I am pleased to announce that they are moving on to develop themselves by enrolling with a reputable health-care service which will increase their employability.

## Age Ranges of Young People Engaged with for Jan-March 2025

### Number of individuals

	8-10	11-12	13-16	17+	Total
Male	17	27	17	2	63
Female	8	24	17	3	52
<b>Total</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>115</b>

### Number of contacts

	8-10	11-12	13-16	17+	Total
Male	52	78	37	8	175
Female	17	107	47	12	183
<b>Total</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>185</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>358</b>

## Annual figures of young people attending April 2024 – March 2025

### Individuals attending

	8-10	11-12	13-16	17+	Total
Male	21	42	25	2	90
Female	14	47	25	4	90
Non-binary	1	0	4	0	5
<b>Total</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>185</b>

### Number of contacts

	8-10	11-12	13-16	17+	Total
Male	175	308	147	22	652
Female	129	454	211	25	819
Non-binary	4	1	15	4	24
<b>Total</b>	<b>308</b>	<b>763</b>	<b>373</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>1495</b>