

The Eleventh HULL YOUNG PEOPLE'S PARLIAMENT

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Report to Children and Young People

Looking Back, Looking Forward



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On Wednesday 10th March 2010 one hundred and fifty four children and young people from all over Hull came together at The Guildhall for the eleventh Hull Young People's Parliament. So, whether you were returning or if it was the first time you have been we would like to say thank you to you all for coming along!

Nigel Richardson (Director of Children and Young People's Services) and Councillor Christine Randall (Portfolio Holder for Education and Children's Services) welcomed everyone before the hard work started!

The day kicked off with three fantastic presentations from Highlands Primary School, The Key Group and HYPP representatives who went on a UKYP (UK Youth Parliament) fact finding mission.

Highlands Primary School: The pupils gave us an update on their local action point which was to design stickers to remind staff and pupils within their School to save energy by switching off all lights and computers.



Key Group: These young people told us about their campaigns to highlight Bullying and to get city wide 'Worry Cards' throughout Hull. The bullying campaign culminated in the launch of bullying badges which were distributed throughout all the city's primary and secondary schools to highlight the issue. Worry cards can now be found in many public buildings throughout the city including Leisure Centres, Museums and Libraries should you want to fill one in!



UKYP Reps: These were a group of young people who wanted to feedback what they had seen and heard on their recent trip to Rotherham for a sitting of the Yorkshire and Humber UK Youth Parliament (more about this later).

Well done to them all for being brave enough to stand up in front of everyone and do their presentations. This is something we would like to see more of, so if you would like to do a quick presentation to everyone at a future Hull Young People's Parliament about a local action point or a resolution you have done then please contact Hull Youth Council on 585297.

Theme of the day



If you have been to a Hull Young People's Parliament day before then you will know that we usually have a particular theme chosen by you that we look at. However, what we also need to do now and again is to let you all know what has happened to all the resolutions passed at previous

Parliaments. So, there was no single theme for this Hull Young People's Parliament and that is why it was called 'Looking Back, Looking Forward' - looking back at previous Parliaments and looking forward to future Parliaments! This meant that we focused on the last four Hull Young People's Parliaments themed on Crime & Safety (October 2008), Bullying (March 2009), Environment (June 2009) and Education (October 2009).

Workshop One and Previous Resolutions



Again we made the workshops appropriate to the different age groups who attend the Hull Young People's Parliament, keeping all primary school pupils together and 'older' young people together also. As mentioned above we needed to give you all the opportunity to look back at the last four Parliaments and

update you all on the resolutions that were passed at them. All of the first workshops were provided with a list of all these resolutions for you all have a look at, discuss and be updated on any action that had taken place.

As well as reviewing past resolutions within the first workshop we also wanted to give you the chance to put questions to a panel of 'experts' with

knowledge on the previous three Parliament issues of Bullying, Environment and Education.

The Panel

The panel certainly didn't get an easy time from you answering your questions within the Council Chamber! So, well done to you all for putting some fantastic questions together and many thanks to the following people for giving up their time to become members on the panel and coping with your questions!



Chief Inspector Dave Rawding - Humberside Police

Mary Dornan - Community Anti-Bullying Project

Doug Sharp - Head of Street Scene Services, Hull City Council

Rachel Roberts - Assistant Head of Service, Children's Trust Board, Hull City Council

Lyn Banks - Assistant Head of Service, Learning, Leisure & Achievement, Hull City Council

Councillor Mike Ross - Portfolio Holder for Customer & Neighbourhood Services

Councillor David Woods - Portfolio Holder for Environmental Sustainability

Mike Pinnock - Head of Service, Children & Young People's Services, Hull City Council

Councillor Yvonne Uzzell - Children's Trust Board

Councillor Christine Randall - Portfolio Holder for Education & Children's Services

Helen Horvath - Hull Victim Support

Isabelle Tracy - One Hull Voluntary & Community Sector Forum

Richard Stevens - Assistant Head of Service, Economic Well-being & Skills Development

Leigh Hogan - The Environment Agency

Councillor Karen Woods - Lord Mayor & Admiral of the Humber

The Questions: (Primary Schools and under 13's)



First up in the Council Chamber were the Primary Schools and other under 13's. Our compere for the session was Hull's very own version of David Dimbleby (some posh bloke off the telly who chairs Question Time!), no other than Craig Clark from RAPP (Rights and Participation Project). After introductions

from everyone on the panel the questions started coming thick and fast! Have a look below and find out what happened in the first session.

Who	Question	Comment
Paige <i>Group One</i>	"Why are CCTV cameras not turned on?"	Mike R - There are 170 cameras across the city. Although these are turned on all of the time, it's impossible for all the cameras to be watched all the time. We are exploring the possibility of using tracking systems with the cameras.
Dennis <i>Holy Name Primary</i>	"The HYPP passed a resolution to have a 'talk room' in every school - have any schools adopted this?"	Christine R - The decision as to whether or not a school establishes a 'quiet room' rests with the school's governing body. If your school wants a quiet room but doesn't have one, contact your school council and ask them to raise the issue with the Governing body. Mike R - Building Schools for the Future (BSF) programme means that all secondary schools in Hull will be re-built or re-developed. Quiet rooms could be considered when the new schools are being designed.
Robbie <i>St. George's Primary</i>	"Can you organise a big clean up day in Hull?"	Mike R - Councillors travel around the city and check on the levels of litter on the streets and tackle problem areas. There are currently plans to work with the Highways Agency to do a blitz on the A63, which is the main route used by visitors to the city.

<i>Cont...</i>		After the Clipper event, the street cleaners did a big clean up and there were lots of comments that the streets looked really clean. The Council also organises 'bring out your rubbish' days.
Kodie <i>Bude Park Primary</i>	"In a previous parliament we asked for a 'scores on the doors' style scheme to show how much businesses recycle. What has happened?"	Doug S - There are 1600 business in Hull that recycle paper via the Council. We also ask businesses about other recycling they would like to be offered in the future.
Nathan <i>Francis Askew Primary</i>	"In a previous parliament we passed a resolution to have a public graffiti area, what has happened?"	Doug S - I can't give an answer right now but I will raise this issue with the Parks Department and I can't see any reason why it should be a problem. It would be helpful if you and other young people could come up with some ideas about where you would like graffiti walls to be placed. Yvonne U - There are already some graffiti walls in some parks in Hull and there is one planned for East Park.
Robert	"What do PCSOs do?"	Inspector R - Police Community Support officers or PCSO's, are an integral part of policing - they work in the community and look at issues that are important to local residents. They do the work that regular uniformed police officers are too busy to do. This includes dealing with traffic offences, littering offences, dealing with ASBOs, writing statements, gathering evidence etc. Although PCSOs can't arrest people, they can detain them. PCSOs are a visible police presence in the city and anyone with concerns can approach them. Crime in Hull has dropped significantly since PCSOs joined the service and the city is safer now than ever.

<p>Cameron <i>Thoresby Primary</i></p>	<p>"All primary school children should know who their community police officers are but a lot don't."</p>	<p>Inspector R - Every school now has a PCSO and I'm disappointed to hear many of you don't know the name of yours. This is a new scheme, which only started in September, so it will take a bit of time for everyone to get to know their PCSO, but I'll follow this up to make sure PCSOs are more visible in the future.</p> <p>Isabelle T - Perhaps PCSO's could contact the schools they are connected with and arrange an assembly to introduce themselves and explain what they do.</p>
<p>Ellie</p>	<p>"How can you stop people parking on double yellow lines outside school?"</p>	<p>Inspector R - It's children's parents who are parking on double yellow lines when they drop their children off at school. You could tell your parents to be more careful when they're parking.</p>
<p>Naja <i>Thoresby Primary</i></p>	<p>"Why can't we use mobile phones at school and take them with us on school trips, in case of emergencies?"</p>	<p>Lynne B - Decisions about mobile phones are made by schools. The main problem is when pupils text or make calls in lessons, instead of listening to the teacher.</p> <p>If you disagree with your school's policy you should try negotiating with your school through your school council.</p>
<p>Shane, Natalie & Luke</p>	<p>"When we got our new recycling bins, should we have been given a re-usable shopping bag?"</p>	<p>Doug S - I think that's a good idea and it's one I'll pursue.</p> <p>Mike R - There have already been some schemes to promote reusable bags, e.g. the 'Love Local' scheme on Newland Avenue</p>
<p>Olivia <i>St Thomas Moore & Sutton Park</i></p>	<p>"We think composting is a good idea so why are schools charged for this?"</p>	<p>Doug S - We will supply free composters to any school who wants them.</p>
<p>Becky <i>St. James Primary</i></p>	<p>"What does the council do to stop adults bullying"</p>	<p>Mary D - I don't work for the council but I do work with young people looking at problems of bullying and how to deal with situations as</p>

<p><i>Cont...</i></p>	<p>children and young people?"</p>	<p>they arise. I try to educate people about bullying and try to make adults and children more aware.</p> <p>Christine R - We also have RAPP to provide help and support and, if things got really bad, Social Services could also help.</p> <p>Helen H - Sometimes children don't report problems, Victim Support run a 5 week programme for Year 4s called 'the healthy relationships' course which helps children to know what to do if they are being bullied. The most important thing is that children raise their worries and concerns and talk to someone so they can get the help and support they need.</p>
<p>William</p>	<p>"Why can't we choose who fosters us?"</p>	<p>Christine R - It would be nice if children and young people could choose their foster parents but there aren't enough foster parents to offer this. If you have parents who might be interested in being a foster parent, let us know.</p> <p>Mike P- The people who recruit and support foster parents are producing a booklet to help you find out more about the foster families that are available.</p>
<p>Lara <i>Holy Name</i></p>	<p>"Litter is really bad in the city, are you prepared to pay for more bins?"</p> <p>We only have one bin near our school and loads of litter, so can we have more bins?</p>	<p>Mike R - There are fines to penalise people who litter. If you notice a particular problem, then pass this on to your local councillors.</p> <p>Dave W - If people didn't drop litter then there wouldn't be a problem. It's important that we all tell people not to drop litter when we see them do it. Everyone has a bin at home so there's no excuse to drop litter.</p>
<p>Ellis <i>Bellfield Primary</i></p>	<p>"Police need to stick to their local policing pledge"</p>	<p>Inspector R - I agree, but we don't have enough staff to achieve everything we want to achieve so we have to prioritise. In a recent assessment, Humberside Police were</p>

<i>Cont...</i>		one of just 8 police forces in the country who were rated as having performed well against their local policing pledge.
Bethany	"What are the police doing about graffiti?"	Inspector R - We have a new scheme aimed at identifying the people doing the graffiti, we take photos of 'tags' and storing them on a database. This helps us identify and prosecute those responsible for the graffiti. There are already 1200 tags on the database and there are plans to put these on a website so that the public can help identify the people responsible. A 'Community Payback Scheme' makes sure that those who are responsible for the graffiti, are then made to clean up the graffiti.
Mike <i>Highlands Primary</i>	"Our school has designed stickers to promote energy saving, is anyone prepared to fund this in other schools?"	Isabelle T - Although I don't have any money myself, I can help write a funding bid if any other schools want to do a similar activity. Yvonne U - Schools should contact their local councillors to ask about funding.
Dylan <i>Sutton Park and St. Thomas Moore Primary Schools</i>	"We want more dog mess bins around our schools and more fines for those who don't clean it up"	Mike R - People can use ordinary bins for dog mess as long as it's bagged up. Inspector R - PCSOs can give fixed penalty fines for those caught.

We hope the questions you asked above were answered well enough and that you now have a better understanding of what is being done regarding your concerns. If you have any questions about 'The Questions' above or, the answers to them then please contact Hull Youth Council on 585297 and we will try and help you out.

Unasked Questions



Unfortunately, lack of time meant that we were unable to get answers to all your questions so; we are going to forward them to the appropriate panel member/s and give you the answers in the next report.

Here are the questions that we didn't get to ask or get answers to...

Who	Question	Comment
Jordan-Lee <i>Thorpe park Primary</i>	"How would you keep the streets safe at night when I'm walking home from School?"	
St. Richards Primary <i>Group 4</i>	"Is there enough support to tackle domestic violence?"	
Jordan-Lee <i>Thorpe Park Primary</i>	"How would you stop motorists talking on their mobile phones whilst driving?"	

The Questions: 13 and over



Up next in the Council Chamber to ask their questions were the young people aged 13 and over. Here's what they asked...

Who	Question	Comment
Peter <i>Group One</i>	"Is the number of police officers going to be cut because of the recession?"	<p>Inspector R - We still don't really know what money we will get and how police officer numbers will be affected. We try to use more efficient ways of working rather than use police officers for everything.</p> <p>Parliament - We need more police officers.</p> <p>Inspector R - We need more of every professional, but there is less crime now than ever before.</p> <p>Parliament - There are areas of Hull with</p>

<p><i>Cont...</i></p>		<p>loads of crime but no police officers. The police are not necessarily in places where crime is happening.</p> <p>Inspector R - We prioritise more serious crime. There are plans to have police on bikes to make them more visible and more accessible. Feedback from the public tells us that this is working.</p> <p>Parliament - No one respects PCSO's</p> <p>Inspector R - Police officers have more powers but PCSO's are a uniformed presence in the neighbourhood. The public want approachable police. We will take appropriate action if PCSO's are disrespected.</p>
<p>Jasmine</p>	<p>"We have an anti-bullying week but it doesn't help, bullies do it more"</p>	<p>Mary D - Anti-bullying week is only one week of the year, we need to deal with bullying all year and raise awareness. Organisations need to work together to combat bullying.</p>
<p>Scott</p>	<p>"Disabled people do not have the same choices of college courses as able bodied peers"</p>	<p>Richard S - I agree that there is not enough provision for young people with special needs. Funding is currently delivered by the Learning Skills Council (LSC) but from April this funding is transferred to the local authority. This gives us the opportunity to talk to colleges about how to deliver education. We can re-direct or pool money to provide a better experience. We will raise this with the colleges when we meet with them next week but it will take time.</p>
<p>Connor <i>Bransholme Library</i></p>	<p>"Why do you keep cutting down trees?"</p>	<p>Christine R - In Hull, if we take down a tree, for example if it's diseased, we then plant 2 to replace it. We plan to plant 57,000 trees - one for each child in Hull. It's important to keep recycling and a lot of the paper we use now is recycled, so lots of things are already being done.</p>

<i>Cont...</i>		Doug S - De-forestation is a big problem, we should all use the blue bins as much as possible at home and at school.
Thomas	At last summer's parliament we launched our "If it's not far, don't travel by car" poster competition.	The winning design, made by Megan, was made into a sticker Stickers were then handed out to delegates and panel members.
Jack, Luke, Kieron, Keegan, Danny, Wes, Alex & Aramis <i>Hessle Road Network & Hull Trinity School</i>	"A lot of schools still don't have bullying co-ordinators or buddies, why is this?"	Lynn B - Schools should have the scheme, if your school doesn't; you need to go back to your school and ask them. Mary D - It may be that the scheme is called something else in your school. Parliament - We had a bullying co-ordinator at school, but when they left, they weren't replaced. Lynn B - It's the responsibility of the school, but you should ask them about it. The main thing is that you know there is an adult at school who you can talk to and who will take action. We all need to listen, it's everyone's responsibility.
Jacob <i>St. Mary's College</i>	"Is there any funding available to encourage recycling in school?"	Doug S - We have a scheme to encourage schools to recycle, but not many schools participate. We can supply your school with recycle bins.
Evie, Emma, Bryce, Amanda, Chelsea, Amy, Charlotte, Kieley,	"Are you listening to the resolutions we have made? Are you getting them and has anything been done? For example, we passed a resolution	Inspector R - I don't know about the posters but, in this city, knife crime is not a big problem. There are occasional incidents but we don't have anywhere near the level of knife crime in other cities. We have had no knife crime offences reported by schools. We don't want to fuel a fear of knife crime

<p>Thomas, Nathan & Lidia - Also Michael and Leah <i>Group 4</i></p>	<p>about producing a knife crime poster - why didn't anything happen?</p>	<p>when it isn't a problem.</p> <p>Mike P - I'm responsible for the Children and Young People's Plan and I have gone through all the resolutions from the Parliament and looked at what needs incorporating - everything put forward by young people has been considered.</p> <p>Christine R - we look at the resolutions and report on their progress at each Hull Children's Trust Board. Sometimes the resolutions are unachievable; for example, we cannot make decisions about quiet rooms in schools as this is not in the power of the Children's Trust Board, it can only be acted on by schools.</p> <p>Leah (Parliament) - There's a lot of knife crime in East Hull, you need to go there.</p> <p>Inspector R - There will always be some problems, people who carry knives tend to deal drugs, and we have had problems with people coming from out of town to deal drugs. There are parts of the city where people have been stabbed but there is still not a big problem here. There is a genuine desire to improve things and we want to involve young people in decisions.</p>
<p>Jack <i>Two Wheel Centre</i></p>	<p>"When Youth Centres are knocked down why aren't they replaced by ones as good?"</p>	<p>Mike P - Sometimes we don't get it right and I would like to apologise. We have now met with Nigel Richardson, BSF and others to look for a resolution and how to get a satisfactory result.</p>
<p>Dianne</p>	<p>"What happened to community wardens, we don't see them any more?"</p>	<p>Mike R - Goodwin (who run the warden scheme) has had to reduce the number of wardens because of reduced funding, but there are still wardens around.</p>

<p>Dexter <i>Andrew Marvell Secondary School</i></p>	<p>“Schools should teach all young people about the risks of joy riding, could also attend driving awareness courses.”</p>	<p>Inspector R - There has been a reduction in the number of cars stolen because cars have been made more difficult to steal. There is also a new scheme to address road safety - the Humberside Partnership has bought a car specifically for this and you will start to see it at public events in the next few weeks.</p> <p>Dexter (Parliament) - Why don't they make cars more secure?</p> <p>Inspector R - This has happened, the Government has got much tougher with car manufacturers and now cars are much harder to steal without the keys.</p> <p>Lynn B - School PHSE programmes should teach about the dangers of risky behaviours, and people need to take responsibility for their own behaviour - don't get into stolen cars.</p>
<p>Jazz <i>Frederick Holmes</i></p>	<p>“Can we have a changing place at the Guildhall because I miss out on a lot of the day”</p>	<p>Mike P - We are aware of the limitations of the building and have raised it with the manager, but they don't have enough money at the moment. Making buildings more accessible to disabled people is a priority and it's important we continue to pursue this. I apologise for the inconvenience.</p>
<p>Connie-Mae <i>Route One</i></p>	<p>“When arguing in classrooms, can we have chill out time before we go back into the room?Also, what should teachers do to make lessons more interesting?”</p>	<p>Lynn B - Schools have behaviour management policies which you should be consulted on. If there are things you don't find interesting, you need to talk to your teachers.</p>
<p>Abigail <i>Frederick Holmes</i></p>	<p>“Colleges need to have more support staff to enable disabled people to have a choice</p>	<p>Richard S -You should have a range of provision available to choose from, Connexions should be able to tell you what is available. We can look at this when the LSC funding</p>

<i>Cont...</i>	about which college / course they attend"	comes to the local authority.
Megan	"Are there any actions and plans around mental health promotion and well being?"	Lynn B - It's an important part of life and without being emotionally healthy we don't learn and do well at school. When schools are inspected, Ofsted look at physical and mental health provision via discussions with young people. We are piloting a new programme in schools (TAHMS) aimed at supporting mental health. Some primary schools will already have programmes to support young people and help with mental health issues, especially during transition.

Again, if you have any queries about the questions, would like to do more or become involved in any of these issues please don't hesitate to contact us here at Hull Youth Council on 585297 and we will try our best to help you get things sorted.

Unasked Questions: 13's and over Groups



Unfortunately, we also ran out of time in the Council Chamber and weren't able to get every question asked and answered. So, just like the Primary Schools and other under 13's we will do the same for the 13's and over and send off the following unasked questions and try and get answers for you to be included in the next report.

Who	Question	Comment
Connor <i>Bransholme Library</i>	"Why can't we have more Police on the streets and not in cars?"	
John	"What is being done to stop young people getting their hands on	

<i>Cont...</i>	knives?"	
John	"How are you supposed to buy knives for your home if you have your own place but you are also under 18?"	
Keegan, Wesley, Aramis, Alix, Danny, Jack, Keiron and Luke <i>Hessle road Network</i>	"What are the Police doing to tackle drugs and prostitution?"	

UK Youth Parliament



Earlier in the report we mentioned the presentation that a group of young people did at the beginning of this Parliament (11th). This was not just to update you on what they found on their 'fact finding' mission but also to ask you to vote on whether or not Hull as a Local Authority should become more

actively involved by taking up its two UKYP seats which are known more commonly as MYP's (Members of the Youth Parliament). If you remember we asked you all to vote a simple 'Yes' or 'No' as to whether or not Hull should become fully involved in the UKYP. If you were at the 11th Hull Young People's Parliament you will know that the vote was overwhelmingly in favour of joining the UKYP.

We also asked you to let us know if you would like to represent Hull as an MYP at the UK Youth Parliament! We did get some names but you can still contact Hull Youth Council on 585297 if you want to be in with a chance of being one of Hull's representatives! You have to be aged 11-18, be involved in the Hull Young People's Parliament and most importantly be very committed and dedicated to making sure the voices of all of the

children and young people of Hull are heard. If you think that this is something you could do **please contact Hull Youth Council before June 2nd 2010**. We will then invite all those interested to attend further training and briefing sessions before those attending the twelfth Hull Young People's Parliament in July choose who it is that they want to represent them!

Workshop Two



Something that has been mentioned by many of you was the need for some 'Ground Rules' whilst attending the Hull Young People's Parliaments at The Guildhall. Feedback has told us that many of you feel you are not being listened to, are being ignored and are sometimes worried about the behaviour of others. We wanted to give you the opportunity to make your own rules about what to expect from people when attending the Hull Young People's Parliaments. This is important as we want everyone who attends the Parliaments to feel welcome, have a chance to be speak, be listened to and enjoy the day. We also asked you to list

the things that you thought would make the Hull Young People's Parliament more enjoyable. This is what you said;

GROUND RULES

1. Listen when people are talking/take turns x 22.
 2. Respect each other/staff x 20.
 3. Respect people's views/ideas x 6.
 4. Be helpful/kind/polite x 6.
 5. Respect the building/property x 6.
 6. Don't run around x 6.
 7. Pay attention/concentrate and remember what you've learnt x 4.
 8. No bullying x 4.
 9. Share ideas x 4.
 10. Co-operate with each other x 4.
- No messing around/good behaviour

- Respect each other's culture
- No swearing/use appropriate language
- Give everyone a chance to speak/involve everyone in conversations
- Make people feel welcome
- No fighting
- Listen to everybody's views
- No littering - recycle
- Don't touch things you're not supposed to
- Don't laugh at what people say
- One person speaking at a time.
- Keep things relevant to subject.
- Mobile phones on silent.
- Feedback to schools/projects.
- Everyone made to take part.
- Keep noise down in workshops and Council Chamber.
- Scheduled breaks.
- Have fun and enjoy yourself.
- Be interested in meeting new people.
- Work hard in your group.
- Debate/vote when you go into Council Chamber.
- Always stay with your team leader/teacher.
- Evaluate other's work for extra ideas.

We will have copies of the top 10 Ground rules available at all future Parliaments so everyone is aware of what was said and to be reminded of what is expected of everyone when they come along but, we have also added the others just to let you know what the full list was!

WHAT WOULD MAKE HULL YOUNG PEOPLE'S PARLIAMENT MORE ENJOYABLE FOR YOU?

- Better choice of food at lunch x 10.
- Make workshops more educational/energetic/interesting x 9.
- More activities x 9.
- Competitions/Quizzes x 7.
- Mix the groups for the workshops, ie different schools - primary/secondary) to meet new people x 5.
- Arts and crafts x 5.
- Role Play x 4
- More young people involved x 4.
- Drama workshops x 4.

- Tour around Guildhall x 4.
- Kids get to answer adults' questions x 3.
- Live music x 3.
- More chance to speak x 3.
- More chairs x 3.
- More tables x 3.
- Refreshments at break x 2.
- Special guests/guest speakers x 2.
- More informative/interesting x 2.
- Dancing x 2.
- Drawing x 2.
- Go to different rooms x 2.
- More fun x 2.
- More helpers x 2.
- Presentations x 2.
- Smaller groups x 2.
- Vibrant decorations x 2.
- More doing, less sitting, practical workshops.
- Moving road.
- Freebies (T-shirts/Badges).
- Football Players.
- Rugby Players.
- Make our own T-shirts, posters, logos.
- More young people facilitating workshops.
- Listening to each other.
- Resolution team.
- Invite Lord Mayor.
- Lord Mayor getting down to our level.
- Photo Gallery from previous Parliaments.
- News presenters come in.
- Having Panel at every Parliament.
- DVD's.
- Better organisation, i.e. what room we're in, where it is etc.
- Information/timetable about what was discussed at last Parliament.
- Different Parliament for different age groups.
- Information stalls about youth projects.
- Parliaments more often.
- Have ice-breaker/bonding at beginning (that lasts longer).
- Air horns to start/stop workshops.
- Different venues.

- Sport.
- More time in Council Chamber.

Young People's Involvement



As you know we are always listening to what you tell us and think about the Hull Young People's Parliament, especially when you give us ideas about how we can make it better for everyone. As it is rightly called Hull Young People's

Parliament we are constantly looking at ways to get you and other children and young people more involved in the running of it.

Already we have had children and young people involved in co-facilitating some of the workshops, helping to 'chair' the Council Chamber resolution sessions, and feeding back some of the great things that you have done. It isn't easy to stand up in front of hundreds of people or facilitate a workshop but don't worry, we will help you along the way - just give us a call if it's something you would really like to have a go at. Don't forget also that if you really want to do a short presentation to everyone or help out on the day just let us know at Hull Youth Council on 585297. Remember, it's your Parliament and your day!!

Thank You



A BIG thank you to the many people who helped to make the eleventh Hull Young People's Parliament such a great and memorable day. Especially, to all the one hundred and fifty four children and young people who turned up. Furthermore, a big thanks also to the facilitators and panel members

who helped out in delivering the workshops and by answering your questions. Special mentions also to the catering staff (especially Phil), at the Guildhall for all their hard work, the photographer Kevin Ladden, Brian for controlling the microphones, Craig Clark for keeping 'order' during the 'lively' question and answer sessions within the Council Chamber and, as always - all our partner organisations and friends who we continue to rely on, guest speakers, funders and anyone else who helped out along the way.

Also, last but not least - well done to Jordan-Lee from Thorpepark Primary School for being the lucky winner of a £10 gift voucher. Jordan-Lee was the lucky name drawn from the hat out of all those of you who filled in your evaluation forms.

A date for your diary

The twelfth Hull Young People's Parliament will be held on **Wednesday 7th July 2010** at The Guildhall. The next theme/issue (as voted by you), will be 'Sports and Activities'. So, start thinking about some of the things that you think are important when you look at



sports and activities in Hull! Is there enough? Are they easy to get to? Are they too expensive? Are we fit enough? What more could we do? Don't forget also that if you would like someone from Hull Youth Council to come along to your school or youth group to chat about the Hull Young People's Parliament, what it does and how it works then just let us know. We will be happy to pop by.

In the meantime, if you would like more information about the Hull Young People's Parliament, copies of previous reports or about how to become involved or to register your school, college or youth group - please contact Hull Youth Council on (01482) 585297 or [e-mail us at hullyouthcouncil@hullcc.gov.uk](mailto:hullyouthcouncil@hullcc.gov.uk) You can also find out about us or information about our other partner organisations at www.cluedupinhull.co.uk

See You All Soon!

Eleventh Hull Young People's Parliament

Evaluation

Young People: 109 forms completed

Have you enjoyed the day?

No

It was okay 32

Yes 75

What have/haven't you enjoyed?

Enjoyed

- Everything/all of it x 29
- Questions/debate in the Council Chamber x 22
- The games/prizes x 8
- The second workshop x 8
- Discussing people's issues/things I felt were important/group discussions x 6
- Lunch/food x 4
- When Jo took us on a quick tour x 3
- It was fun x 2
- Being involved x 2
- Meeting new people x 2
- The workshops x 2
- Presentations
- Learning about what the Parliament does
- Finding out about things I did not know
- Working with my helper
- Getting bins for our school
- The whole thing was enjoyable and well organised
- The professional-like conference
- Ideas for theme for next one
- Getting our points across
- It was an awesome time - it was fun
- Lots of things to do
- Choosing Ground Rules

Not enjoyed

- Council Chamber (it was too long) x 5
- People talking all the time x 3
- It was a bit boring x 3
- Not going out for dinner x 2
- It didn't grab my attention because it wasn't fun x 2
- The questions
- It wasn't exciting enough
- Signing in - it was boring
- Workshops could be more fun
- It would have been better if we'd had a tour
- The food
- Choosing the theme for the next Parliament

Have you learned anything today?

No 18
Yes 84
Not stated 3

What have you learned today?

- About Police/PCSO's (what they do) x 7
- About the Young People's Parliament/how it works x 7
- How to communicate/work as a team x 6
- About the environment x 6
- I learnt a lot x 5
- A bit about the history of the Council/Guildhall x 4
- That we are all equal x 3
- To respect others x 3
- How many people there are in Hull x 3
- How many bins there are in Hull x 2
- What needs changing in Hull x 2
- Ways to save and look after the world x 2
- About bullying x 2
- The Lord Mayor wears clothes x 2
- Where things are debated x 2
- Questions that have been answered x 2
- That people I don't know can be friendly/nice x 2
- Lifestyles x 2
- To walk, not to go by car x 2

- That people have different ideas and opinions
- That the Parliament is ours
- That many of the changes in school have come from the Parliament
- That people try to help children
- That dog mess can be a big bother
- That yellow lines can cause a problem
- Resolutions
- That the Lord Mayor is here
- That being a Councillor is an important job and what they deal with
- That there are lots of ways to improve things
- Not to be shy
- If I argue enough I get what I want
- That young people with disabilities feel as strongly about things as we do
- Didn't learn anything but it was fun
- All ideas are valued the same
- Some work can be fun
- That you can get waste bins for free
- Compared to larger cities, Hull is safe
- What was talked about in the Council Chamber
- To look forward to the next Parliament
- That you have to stand for the Lord Mayor
- That friends are important
- That I can speak out loud
- That there is a Council Chamber
- That every child matters and no child is left out
- That the Lord Mayor has a funny hat
- There are a lot of Councillors
- How the Council works
- That the Council are coming up with new ideas

Is there anything you would like to see changed at the next Young People's Parliament?

- No/Nothing x 33
- More activities/things to do x 12
- More lunch choices/better food x 11
- Tour of the Guildhall x 8
- Make it more exciting/fun x 8
- More games x 3
- Less talking, more action x 3

- More seats x 2
- Snacks at break times x 2
- Different drink in the lunch bag x 2
- The length of time in the Council Chamber - maybe split into two x 2
- Council Chamber session should be longer x 2
- DVD's to explain more x 2
- More chance to talk x 2
- More than one focus/topic to the day
- Decorations
- Don't change anything
- See the Lord Mayor again because it was fun
- We ask the questions and the children answer
- Smaller numbers in the workshops
- People paying respect
- Less people there
- A speech from the Lord Mayor
- A gift shop
- More children/young people
- More time to meet new friends
- Split into groups with people from different schools
- Cyber-bullying should be mentioned.
- Ask everyone's ideas

What the Teachers & Others Said

We thought it would be a good idea to ask the Teachers and others if there was anything that **they** could do to help the children and young people they bring be better prepared before and after the Hull Young People's Parliaments? This is what they told us;

How could you support young people in the development of the Hull Young People's Parliament process (including before and after)?

- Council discussions before the Parliament
- More information
- Bring the same 4 pupils all year and keep them updated on Parliament updates
- More preparation before coming to the Parliament
- Children discussing day with fellow pupils back at school
- Encourage their ideas
- Feeding back anything that happens as a result of Parliament and Resolutions x 2
- Information sent a couple of weeks prior to the Parliament as a reminder of what is going to be discussed so it will be fresh and the young people will know what to expect
- Educate children before they attend the Parliament so they already have background knowledge x 2
- Through the School Council
- Encourage pupils to take part in these eventful days
- Think about the Parliament question in advance and prepare ideas



Please remember someone from Hull youth Council would be willing to come and meet with you and your pupils / young people if you need any support in preparing for future Parliaments. This could be to help discuss the theme in greater detail, helping to clarify the process or to just come and talk about what the Parliaments are and how and why we do them!! Just give us a call on 585297