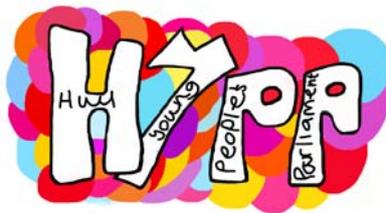


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Report to Children and Young People

What can we do about crime in Hull?



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On Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> October 2008 the Hull Young People's Parliament met for the seventh time at The Guildhall. One hundred and forty children and young people attended from all over Hull to discuss and debate the issue of 'Crime'.

Councillor Christine Randall (Portfolio holder for Children and Young People) and Mike Pinnock (Head of Commissioning and Business Support) welcomed everyone before proceedings started.

## The Key Question

The key question on the day was "What can we do about Crime in Hull?" The event kicked off with an 'open mike' session to get everyone thinking about what crime was like in Hull and what crimes worried you the most! There were 23 workshops in total (all before lunch), looking at some of the many aspects of crime such as knife crime, gangs, knowing your rights, through to hate crime.

Once again, we also made the workshops appropriate to the different ages of children and young people who attended (under 11's and over 13's). We also tried to make the workshops for the 'younger' ages more fun and interactive just as you told us from your previous feedback.



## Workshops

All the workshops were well attended and you can catch up on some of the notes that were taken later on in the report but, to refresh your memory, here is a list of the workshops that were on offer during the morning sessions.

- Feeling Safe - What makes you feel safe or unsafe?
- Gangs, are they all bad? What do you think?
- Crime, what bothers you?
- What can we do about crime? What's it like to be a victim?
- What are we doing wrong? When does it become a crime?
- Hate Crime, what is it and what can we do about it?
- What's it like to be involved in crime? Your chance to find out!
- Domestic Abuse, your chance to explore the issues!
- Crime, what happens to you after you've become involved?
- Knife Crime - Is it a problem in Hull?

With two workshops happening before lunch it was certainly a very busy day and during and after lunch many of you also took part in putting together Local Action Points, as well as getting together in groups to put together resolutions for debating in the Council Chamber!

### **Resolutions and Voting**

The resolution workshops seemed to work well as 16 resolutions were put forward to the vote in the Council Chamber but only 8 made it through! These were:

- To ask Hull City Council to give children and young people more choices as to where they may be fostered - i.e., a safe/crime free environment.
- To have an under 18's pub.
- Harsher punishments to stop people re-offending or committing a crime.
- To have more Police Officers working on the streets of Hull.
- More posters/leaflets and overall awareness about knives and the dangers of knives displayed in shops and other retail outlets in Hull.
- Domestic Abuse - more help for abusers (psychological help) and to make their punishments fair, not minor - better justice!
- To have a bike safety day (bike coding, advice on lights and locks), at Endike Primary School.
- To start a 'No Homophobia Here' campaign and to challenge and treat homophobia as much as other discriminations.



### **Local Action Points**

As well as the resolutions, Local Action Points were also put together by many of you. These are usually small manageable ideas that can be done quite quickly with your friends, at school or at your local youth facility. There have been some brilliant ones from previous Parliaments and this Parliament didn't disappoint either! In total you came up with 16 Local Action Points - these were:



- **St. Georges Primary School** - To put on a play and to look at more awareness of and the effects of crime.
- **Ganton School** - Put up more posters for drug awareness and leaflets about drug abuse.
- **Pickering High School** - to do a radio advert, a video for the big screen and design some posters on crime.
- **Alderman Cogan Primary School** - They want to have a central 'Report it' box for pupils to report things without fear of repercussions.
- **Wilberforce/Wyke Colleges** - Promote debating societies.
- **Hessle Road Network** - Have a half hour talk about crime.
- **Southcoates Primary School** - To do some work around drug awareness.
- **Eastfield Primary School, Thanet Primary School and St. Richards Primary School** - Give out personal alarms to pupils.
- **Victoria Dock Primary School** - Want to look at safety to and from school especially during dark nights and mornings.
- **Sidmouth Primary School** - Would like to try and get a mobile 'Cop Shop' near to their school.
- **Bricknell Primary School** - Design a poster looking at the facts about crime and to design a short PowerPoint presentation.
- **Hull Anatolian Society** - Would like to get some CCTV installed to help reduce crime on their building.
- **Endike Primary School** - Want to try and get more bins put up for glass and needles and to have the children's bikes at their school post coded.
- **Sir Henry Cooper Secondary School** - Would like to invite ex-criminals and victims into their school to hear their stories.
- **Holy Name Primary School (RC)** - Want to design Hull Young People's Parliament rep badges so other pupils at their school know who their Parliament representatives are.
- **Maybury Primary School** - Would like to see more activities in their local area such as more indoor swimming and Youth Centres.

Someone from Hull Youth Council will be in contact very soon to help you get started with all your Local Action Points. So, don't worry, we haven't forgotten about you!

### What's happening next?

As usual, we will be trying to make sure that the resolutions voted for in the Council Chamber are passed on to local decision makers so that action can be taken to hopefully make them happen! We will always try our hardest to get things moving as quickly as possible but, if you have not heard anything from us about your resolutions, it doesn't mean that we have forgotten about you or your resolution! Sometimes things take a little longer to achieve and get sorted so please be assured that we are doing our best.



## Are we getting it right?

We have now had seven Hull Young People's Parliaments in just over two years. We recognise that there are still some problems with the way the Parliament day is run and are always listening to your suggestions to make the day even better! We cannot change everything such as the venue or the number of workshops that take place in the big halls due to space and cost! However, we are going to have a meeting very soon about introducing some of the changes that you have suggested below.



- To have less resolutions to give you more time for better debates.
- To have separate resolution and Council Chamber sessions for younger and older Parliament reps.
- To make the workshops more appropriate to the ages attending.
- To have more fun!

We are also hoping to involve children and young people more in helping out with the workshops or other areas of the Parliament. We still need to look at how this can be done and what is the best way forward so young people who do want to become more involved have the right support and training to help them do this. We will probably run some training sessions in the future (don't worry - you won't miss school), for children and young people who do want to become more involved so listen out for further information!

## Thank You

A BIG thank you to the many people who helped to make the seventh Hull Young People's Parliament such a fantastic day. Especially, to all the children and young people who turned up. Furthermore, big thanks also to the facilitators and 'experts' who helped in delivering the workshops. A special mention also to the catering staff at The Guildhall for all their hard work, Kevin Greene for the photography, the compere - Mark Spight, all our partner organisations and friends who we continue to rely on, guest speakers, funders and anyone else who helped out along the way!



## A date for your diary

The next Hull Young People's Parliament will be held on **Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> March 2009** at The Guildhall and the issue that we will be looking at (as voted by you) is **Bullying**. So, put that date in your diaries and start thinking about how bullying affects you and/or your friends and what needs to be done to stamp it out.

After Bullying, we will be looking at **Education** and then, after that **Environment** so 2009 is looking like a busy year for Hull Young People's Parliament!

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 or 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](http://www.cluedupinhull.co.uk)

## See You All Soon!

### What you said in the workshops!

As usual, the workshops gave you all the opportunity to ask questions, find out some facts and have the chance to take part in some really good and lively discussions. A lot of what was voiced in the workshops can be found below although not all of the workshops recorded everything that you said. Here is a flavour of the many debates and workshops that you took part in during the morning.

### FEELING SAFE

#### **What makes you feel safe?**

- Going out with a big group, not by yourself.
- The police.
- Just enough people to make you feel safe.
- Light not dark.
- Places you know.
- No drunken people.
- Prospect Centre.
- Cinema/bowling - not hanging around on the streets.
- Safe with adults/friends.
- At home.
- With your dog.
- City Centre.



## **What makes you feel unsafe?**

- Some estates in the city have a bad reputation.
- Young people in the minority.
- Fires on Beverley Road.
- Fires on estates publicised more than villages.
- Boredom makes crime.
- Arson everywhere.
- Lifestyle - can relate to estates/arson/crime etc.

## **FEELING SAFE?**

### **Yes / No / Maybe Game**

#### **Does what you see and hear on TV. Radio, newspapers make you feel safe/unsafe?**

There were a variety of thoughts about this question. Mostly children believed that what they saw and heard affected how they felt. There was a discussion about kidnapping which they were concerned about because of the media (Madeleine McCann).

#### **Does not feeling safe affect your behaviour?**

There were a variety of thoughts about this question. Some thinking it would make concentrating at school difficult.

#### **Do you think children and young people are less safe than adults?**

The majority of children thought children were less safe than adults, mainly due to adults being stronger.

### **How safe do you feel at various venues? 1 unsafe - 10 most safe**

Venue	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	Total
School					1			4	3	11	174
Park	4	1	4	3	3	2		2			73
Street	4	1	1	4	4	2	1			2	84
Town		3	1	1	3	5		2	3	1	111
Hull Fair	7	5	2	3		1	1				48
London/large city	10	4	1	2		1	1				42

### **What does it mean to 'feel safe'?**

- Don't get hurt
- With friends and family
- Protected
- Nothing can harm you
- People around you will help you and keep you safe

- No people around you that make you feel unsafe
- Outside world cannot harm you
- Not worried or scared but happy and smiley
- At school protected, lots of company and friends
- To be respected - no enemies
- No-one out to get you
- People to look after you
- All teachers to guide you
- Feeling safe = having a life
- Having friends



### **What does it mean to 'feel unsafe'?**

- Horrible - can't go anywhere without looking around
- Inconsolable, depressed
- Nothing matters anymore
- Fear of being stabbed
- Scared
- Can't concentrate on school
- When dark and by yourself you panic
- No force field/protection around you
- Only safe when supervised
- Anything could happen
- Depends on how dark it is and where you are

### **What can you do to help yourself to be/feel safer?**

- If anyone hurts you don't keep it a secret because it'll just get worse
- Make sure you're not alone
- Don't get lost and when you do tell someone stay close to an adult if you go to Hull Fair or anywhere else like it
- Make sure you have your mobile phone with you, switched on and you have credit X6
- Be careful when you're out
- Go inside and ask a parent or carer to keep an eye out of the window
- If you don't feel safe when you are outside, go in your house
- Don't go too far from your house/area X6
- Don't be late
- Don't play out when its midnight
- If you're at your friend's house ask for a lift



- Unsure of what's going to happen
- Stay with your friends and family X3
- Don't keep it to yourself
- Tell somebody so that they can protect you
- Always have someone with you
- When it's dark go in if playing out
- Make sure you have a relations house to go to or a time to be in
- To help you feel more safe tell a police man to see if anyone's there
- To help ourselves we could make sure that we tell someone about it then they can help us figure out what we could do
- Tell somebody that you're scared and then they can help you
- Don't lark out after a certain time
- Let someone know where you are going
- Make sure you are protected
- Don't do anything to make people want to get you
- Make sure you look and listen before crossing the road
- Use booster seats
- Use a seatbelt
- Be careful where you are and what time you're there
- Where pads and helmets
- Be aware of strangers
- Wear attractive and bright clothing while riding a bike
- Be aware
- Wear safe clothing
- I can get friends to go with me to any place if it's dark
- If you don't feel safe you could do something that calms you down
- Let them know, don't keep it bottled up
- When your parents are out and its dark do not go out because you can easily be hurt watch if you see someone watching you and make sure you call 999
- Make a petition for somewhere else to play

### **What can the Council/Councillors do to help you be/feel safe?**

- The councillors could have time limits on how long children play out or if the children where out after 7:00pm make sure that parents are watching them
- make sure you have a counsellor to talk to at break or dinner
- More coppers outside the big supermarkets because bikes are getting stolen
- Gower Park is all burnt out
- More play areas with adults watching you X2
- More parks with CCTV cameras
- Bet more involved
- Put more CCTV cameras down alleys and Waverely Road
- Councillors can help you change things around the school
- More police on the streets and in parks X5
- Some disguised police officers
- Take prostitutes to jail

- Don't ignore children and young people
- Listen to everyone's opinion
- More unidentified police cars
- Have more cameras about but hide them so they can get caught
- More police patrols
- More CCTV and lights on streets
- More CCTV cameras X6
- More speed cameras
- More speed bumps X2
- More of the community helping with the problems
- More recycling
- More litter bins
- More activity areas
- Encourage people to be green
- More police stations
- More pedestrian crossings X3
- More traffic wardens



## What can we do to make it better?



- Regeneration of deprived areas.
- Areas for young people to express their feelings/opinions.
- Wider range of activities for young people to get involved in.
- Things in local areas.
- Regeneration team to have a youth panel.
- More information about activities.
- Going to schools/colleges with Hull Young People's Parliament.
- Should look at more positive aspects.
- Under 18's pub (no alcohol).

## WHAT CAN WE DO ABOUT CRIME?

- Police dog patrols - could catch people and drugs.
- More police patrols.
- More lights in darker areas such as alleys.
- Higher age restriction for buying knives.
- Give out personal alarms (free).
- Police should regularly visit schools.
- Safety point to call Police quickly.
- More CCTV outside of the City Centre.

- More Community Wardens to stop anti-social behaviour and keep children safe.
- More police outside schools.
- More police removing prostitutes.
- Security guards in shops.
- More police on the streets in early morning.
- Cameras in public places - City Centre and parks.
- Harsher punishments for offenders.
- Undercover police to catch people committing crime.
- Police coming into schools to talk about punishments and deter criminals.
- Disguise CCTV cameras to catch criminals.
- More posters/signs to show effects of crime and make criminals think about their actions.

## CRIME - WHAT BOTHERS YOU? WHAT CAN WE DO TO CHANGE IT?



### **Racism**

- CCTV.
- Awareness, i.e. posters/signs.
- More Police.
- Awareness of the effects of racism on the victims.
- Stiffer sentences.
- Fines.
- Challenge racism.
- TV programmes should stop encouraging racism.

### **Vandalism**

- CCTV - more cameras.
- Raise the age for being able to buy spray paint aerosols.
- Designated areas/graffiti walls.
- When caught offenders should be involved in repairs.

### **Drugs**

- CCTV.
- Outreach workers.
- Community Support Officers.
- Sniffer dogs on general patrol.
- Stop and search.
- Labels and bins.
- On-the-spot fines.
- More prison sentences.
- Better rehabilitation/support.
- Check everyone at airports.
- More knowledge to make a choice.



## Gun and Knife Crime

- Posters/leaflets.
- Police searches.
- More police.
- Advertise the effects.
- Improved licensing of guns.
- Don't sell them to people.
- Keep knives in locked compartments/cases.
- Tag all knives with owner's name/s.
- Only certain shops to sell knives.

## Car Crime

- Alarms.
- Chip device to stall car.
- CCTV.
- More police patrols.
- Longer sentences (prison).
- Security guards patrolling car parks.
- More speed cameras.

## Fly Tipping

- More Community Officers.
- Undercover officers.
- Heavy fines.
- More bins outside shops.
- Volunteer groups to pick up rubbish.
- Report to authorities.
- More recycling bins.

## Burglary

- CCTV - more cameras on the streets.
- Alarms on doors/windows direct to police.
- More police.
- Keep doors locked.
- Cheaper security systems.
- Neighbourhood Watch.
- Council to offer double-glazing.
- Better locks.
- Marking property.

## Shoplifting

- Alarms/tags on products.
- CCTV.



- Security guards.
- Shutters.

### **Mean Texts**

- Block number.
- Don't accept unknown numbers.
- Racist words to be forwarded to the police.

## **WHAT ARE WE AFRAID OF AND WHY?**

### **Gangs**

- Don't know what's going to happen.
- They might attack you.
- Could get stabbed if caught between two gangs.
- Puts you off going outside.
- Swear at you as you go past.
- Bullying you.
- Coming after you when you're on your own.

### **Kidnapping**

- Could happen to anyone.
- Could lead to abuse.
- Being taken away.
- Blackmail.
- Won't see family.

### **Knives/Guns**

- Could die.
- Frightened to get hurt.
- Stabbing.
- Serious injury.
- You could cut yourself instead.
- Have to go to hospital.

### **Fire**

- Could get hurt or die.
- Destroying wheelie bins/property.

### **Graffiti and fires in parks**

- Scares people away from the park.

### **Drugs**

- Make you ill.
- People on drugs don't know what they're doing, e.g. stealing.



### **Getting beaten up**

- Do it all the time - bullied.
- Might have to go to hospital.
- Might have to move.

### **People shouting and swearing in the street**

- People might attack you.
- Scared they will shout at you.

### **Burglary (when you're in the house)**

- Steal your things - might hurt you.
- Might be on drugs/armed.
- Might do things to hurt you.

## **SUBSTANCE MISUSE**

- Boot camps as an alternative to prison.
- More education elements to punishments, e.g. speeding/drink driving seminars in addition to fines.
- Drink driving needs harsher penalties which are given consistently.
- No victim, no crime - felt that cannabis use, in particular for medicinal purposes, should not be illegal.
- More restorative practices - perpetrators make amends to victims.
- Alcohol needs education, not raising legal age limit as this will criminalise more young people.

## **HATE CRIME**

(Covers - Racism, Disability, Gender, Age, Sexuality, Religion, Beliefs).

What would help in the fight against hate crime?

- More police on street/recruit more police.
- More CCTV.
- More Cop shops so it would be easier to report crime.
- Mystery Shopping.
- More trips to learn about other cultures, e.g. visits to mosques etc.
- True Vision packs in schools.
- More education in schools about consequences of hate crime.
- Support for anti-homophobia campaign.
- Posters on buses saying that if you are racist/homophobic you can be arrested.
- Police to visit more communities to talk about hate crime.

### **Examples of hate crime**

- Racism.
- Vandalism.
- Physical/verbal abuse.

## WHAT ARE WE DOING WRONG?

- Young people get a bad press.
- People focus on the bad things, not the good.
- Bad young people give all young people a bad name.
- Because knife crime is in the news, people think of bad things so more and more young people end up carrying knives.
- Bad news stories sell more papers than good things.
- Shops limit the number of young people but not adults.

## GANGS

What is a gang?

- Standing with a big group.
- A group of people who abuse others and feel cool because they carry knives and guns.
- A group of people who meet so they can share ideas.
- A group of people.
- People who wear hoodies and mess with knives.
- Lots of people huddled together on the streets.
- A group of people of any age who hang around with each other.
- A gang is more than one person and they have weapons and threaten people.
- Hoodies with knives who do crime.
- A group of young people who go on street corners and in parks.
- A group of youths who commit crime in Hull.
- A group of people who play together.
- A group of friends.
- A gang can be different things - a group of friends or a group of people who could harm us.
- A large group of people who sometimes bully.
- Gangs are groups of people - they can be good or bad.
- A group of people going around killing.
- A group of friends on the street.
- A group of children (all ages).
- A group of thugs who beat you up.

## WHAT IS CRIME?

- Graffiti/Street Art.
- Car Theft/Vandalism.
- Riding motorbikes on fields.
- Shoplifting.
- Fighting.
- Vandalism.
- Breaking windows.
- Drinking on the streets.
- Being too rowdy/noisy.
- Drugs.
- Knife crime.

- Robbery.
- Sexual harassment.
- Shouting abuse at people.
- Drink driving.
- Smoking.
- Arson.

## Young People's Evaluation: What you thought of the day!

89 forms completed

### Have you enjoyed the day?

No	0
It was okay	13
Yes	76

### What have/haven't you enjoyed?

#### Enjoyed:

- Everything x 18.
- The workshops x 12.
- The Council Chamber/Resolutions x 9.
- Talking about what we could do to stop crime in Hull x 7.
- Putting my ideas forward/the discussions x 7.
- It was informative/learning new things x 5.
- Lunch x 5.
- The gang's workshop x 4.
- The knife crime workshop x 4.
- Taking part and making a difference x 2.
- The warm up x 2.
- The 'What bothers you' workshop x 2.
- Meeting new people x 2.
- The leader was very good x 2.
- I would love to come again.
- The 'What are we doing wrong?' workshop.
- Interacting with different people from all kinds of backgrounds.
- The information I was given.
- I've learnt a lot about being safe.
- The interesting things we learnt about domestic violence.
- It is the first time I came to the Hull Young People's Parliament. This event for young people is excellent.
- Listening to the stories about crime and what it's like to be involved in crime.
- Finding out about the law.
- Talking to the ex-offender.



## **Not enjoyed:**

- Too much talking and no action.
- It was good but some workshops were quite boring with too much talking.
- Thinking of ideas was quite hard.
- Long drawn out resolutions.
- Not always given the chance to fully explain what we meant.
- Not speaking in Council Chamber.

## **Have you learned anything today?**

No	6
Yes	76

## **What have you learned today?**

- Lots of things about crime/facts and figures about crime x 13.
- How to prevent crime x 10.
- About knife crime x 9.
- What domestic abuse is and how it can be caused and solved x 5.
- That crime can be dangerous sometimes/it can ruin your life/is bad x 4.
- That crime is decreasing in Hull x 4.
- About gangs x 3.
- That people have different opinions x 3.
- That no matter how small a knife you get stabbed with, you can still die x 3.
- That knives are more dangerous than I thought x 2.
- About hate crime x 2.
- Not to commit crime x 2.
- How addictive crime is x 2.
- That being a bully or committing crime is wrong x 2.
- That young people can be taken to court x 2
- What drugs can do to you.
- Different drug classes and punishment for drug use.
- That the police do more than we think.
- That you don't have to be in a gang to cause a crime scene.
- Don't go out when it's dark.
- The number of people who get killed each year.
- That younger children are beginning to understand about the ways of the world.
- Problems which need sorting.
- That you will not get any warnings if you carry a knife.
- That if you carry a knife you have a 30% chance of being stabbed.
- That there are too many PCSO's on the street.
- How to set a resolution.
- What the Guildhall is like.
- The different types of crime.
- That young people are getting blamed for things adults are doing.
- To debate and talk over problems.

- The media make things worse than they are.
- We get a say in some decisions.

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

- No x 41.
- More older young people x 5.
- More fun activities x 4.
- Smaller groups x 4.
- More workshops x 3.
- More people joining in x 3.
- Make it more interactive and less talking x 2.
- Separate resolution session/event for under 13's and over 13's x 2.
- It was a bit disorganised/more organisation x 2.
- A different subject/theme x 2.
- The food x 2.
- Less resolutions/more time to debate x 2.
- College students should let other young people speak x 2.
- Mixture of talking, listening and active learning.
- More active learning.
- Timetable.
- Learn about children's health.
- More quizzes.
- When you are talking about crimes, show pictures of the damage they can cause.
- Improved microphones.
- No public discussion of sexuality issues in front of 10 year olds.
- Sit at tables for the workshops and people speak louder.
- Change the resolution form layout.
- Introduction/open mike is really boring.



## Adults Evaluation:

### Have you enjoyed the day?

No	0
It was okay	4
Yes	16

### What have/haven't you enjoyed?

- Good chance to discuss issues.
- Council Chamber good for active debate.
- Very enjoyable. Educational day.
- Enjoyed 'What it's like to be involved in crime' workshop - real-life speaker/offender.
- It gets better every year - the children always enjoy it.
- Too many workshops in each room - hard to hear.
- Very noisy, large groups - need to be smaller.
- I enjoyed most aspects of the day.
- Lovely day - lots of useful information.
- The children enjoyed the workshops.
- The resolution was a good idea but the workshops could do to be a bit more interactive.
- It was the first time I've been (invited as a SWIT in the school I was working in). Until then I hadn't heard of it.
- I enjoyed the 'What it's like to be involved in crime' workshop. The children and I found it informative, interesting and very emotive.
- Enjoyed experience of Council Chamber. Good to see where Hull City Council makes some of their ludicrous decisions.
- Enjoyed the workshops - children got a lot out of them. However, at the making a resolution stage the facilitator just left the children to it - we couldn't take over as wasn't space.
- Enjoyed being involved in the young people's discussion groups.
- Very good day. Fantastic response from young people. Very good turn out. Well put together.
- Shame its crime again so soon, not as spicy as normal.
- Too long at lunchtime - children not used to sitting around for so long.
- Enjoyed the workshops and the discussions about the resolutions.
- I really enjoyed the drugs talk which I feel really informed myself and the children from my school.

### Could we do anything to make it better next time?

No	2
Yes	16

### What could we do?

- Enjoyed the day as is was.
- Provide more seating for children when voting for resolutions.

- Provide area for adults/explain their role more clearly.
- Last time you had dancers to put the point across - it really helped the children focus.
- Use more rooms for workshops.
- Don't mix the older and primary children. They couldn't join the Youth Council as they are only 10 and issues about crime may be better geared to high schools.
- Waiting around too long after lunch/reduce lunch time x 3.
- Resolutions went on for a bit too long.
- Our children are aged 10/11 and the resolutions are far more advanced for their understanding.
- Spread the day a bit more.
- Put up a notice board with room numbers on for the different workshops as when moving to second workshop wasn't sure where it was.
- Age range too great. Some issues raised made sense yet primary pupils too young to understand and resolutions not carried. Should be Primary-16 years and 17-25 years.
- Facilitator helping more at resolution stage although this looked to be just particular to our group.
- More seating.
- Workshop in eating area - was difficult to hear people speaking.
- Four groups in the hall was too many - difficult to hear facilitator.
- Every issue brought by young person is important to them (may need clarifying).
- Add sauce to the lunches!
- Have half the Chamber time as open topic - not the one chosen months ago so current issues can be discussed.
- Make voting easier by using buzzers.
- More opportunity to fight for your resolution.
- The voting process was a mess. Discussing these issues freely for the hour then returning to school to make a decision with 1 member from each school telling the verdict - they become an MP for their School Council.

### **Is there anything you would like to say about the next Hull Young People's Parliament?**

- Bring back the dancers.
- More hands-on - less talking.
- Maybe split the resolution time into two age groups.
- When children are voting it would have been easier to vote by the buzzer rather than counting. Vote 2 was also misquoted when put to vote - it wasn't just knocking houses down, it was quicker refurbishment by landlords.
- Fewer resolutions.
- Too many resolutions therefore not enough time to properly debate each issue. Again some issues were too difficult for young children to understand.
- Maps on walls to show where workshops are.
- Better options for long-term attenders. The St Mike's guys were a bit 'bored' this time - make them mentors maybe?
- Looking forward to it. Fewer resolutions and more in-depth discussion.