

Lobby of Parliament to save young people's services

Join
Choose Youth on
Tuesday 25 October
at
Methodist Central Hall,
Westminster,
SW1 9NH

11.30am – 4pm

**Your voice
will make a
difference!**

Come down and join in our lobbying and creative campaigning workshops. We will give you the tools to get MPs and local councillors to back the fight and stop the cuts to young people's services.

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SPEAK UP FOR THE NEXT GENERATION AND CHOOSE YOUTH

Together we can defeat attacks to youth work and youth services. We need to wake up MPs and Councillors to the havoc that is being wreaked across all services for young people.

Young people deserve better. The Albermarle Report, written fifty years ago, under a Conservative government, created the modern youth service. It is this service which is now under threat.

Now we have to organise nationally and locally to defeat these cuts and demand investment in services for young people.

Sign the **e-petition on Youth Work** and youth services to force the debate in Parliament.

<http://epetitions.direct.gov.uk/petitions/4671>

Ask your MP to raise questions in the House based on our key messages:

- 1. Action needs to be taken by MPs to stop the modern youth service being pulled apart by spending cuts.**
 - 2. MPs need to value youth services as the cost effective way to change young people's lives.**
 - 3. MPs need to support youth services as an investment in the UK's future.**
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ASK YOUR MP TO SIGN EDM 1013 ON YOUTH SERVICES

That this House values highly the work of youth workers and the youth service and believes that these need urgent protection from unfair and disproportionate cuts in local authority and voluntary sector provision; recognises that through their unique voluntary relationship with young people youth workers are able to give highly cost-effective support to them and, through a process of informal learning, personal and social education, increase young people's participation as active citizens in local and national democracy, re-engage them in education, make lives healthier, improve access to learning, strengthen information, advice and guidance, support partnership working, participate in structured leisure time activities, stay out of the youth justice system and play an active and voluntary part in their local communities, provide experiences that enable free association and fun; and notes that Joint Negotiating Committee-qualified youth workers are trained to sustain adult volunteers in community activities and successfully fundraise for services from a range of sources and maintain creative partnerships between local authority and voluntary sector providers; and calls on the Government urgently to review the compliance by local authorities with the Education and Inspections Act 2006 with regard to youth work provision and to find urgent ways to protect youth services from the current severe round of cuts.

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