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Our Dumfries and Galloway Plan

Year of Young People 2018



RE-FOCUSSING THE LENS ON OUR YOUNG PEOPLE IN 2018



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FOREWORD



Young people are one of Dumfries and Galloway's greatest assets and for Scotland's Year of Young People, our Council has co-designed an aspirational plan for Dumfries and Galloway.

Providing the best start for our children and young people is a key priority for our Council. The ambitious plan outlined here ensures that our Council strives to invest in our young people and support them to become successful learners, confident individuals, effective contributors and responsible citizens.

This plan also highlights the confidence that national organisations have in Dumfries and Galloway to host and contribute to national and international events for young people. Our signature events programme for 2018 will bring the very best events that happen during Scotland's Year of Young People to our area, here in Dumfries and Galloway.

We are particularly pleased that the Scottish Government has acknowledged the Youth Beatz Festival including The Toon as a unique celebration of youth culture and the positive outcomes it meets for young people. We look forward to our Council welcoming thousands of young people from across Scotland to Dumfries and Galloway to the many events held next year.

Councillor Elaine Murray

Leader - Dumfries & Galloway Council

Councillor Rob Davidson

Depute Leader - Dumfries & Galloway Council



Scotland's year of young people gives us the opportunity to celebrate our young people in Dumfries and Galloway and highlight the important contribution they make to civic life.

This year long plan of activities, experiences and events will not only provide the chance to celebrate our young people but also to help develop their skills and capabilities. As our Council's Young People's Champion, I look forward to the many events that will grow our young people and build their skills which will stay with them for life.

Through the hosting of a number of national and international events in 2018, we also have a real opportunity to showcase our region to young people across Scotland and further afield.

Councillor Adam Wilson

Young Peoples Champion



This plan has been developed in consultation with young people across the length and breadth of Dumfries and Galloway. The events, projects and activities that will be delivered during 2018 are designed to create opportunities for young people to shine locally, nationally and globally. It will feature a range of high-profile events and an exciting grassroots programme accessible and inclusive to all young people in rural Dumfries and Galloway.

The Young People's Project Team are honoured to be representing Dumfries and Galloway's youth during such a momentous year that will celebrate and showcase the achievements and talents of young people across our region.

Jordan Todd

Chairperson - Dumfries and Galloway's Year of Young People Steering Group



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VISION AND MISSION

OUR VISION

Celebrate the personalities, talents and achievements of young people in Dumfries and Galloway and showcase the best of Dumfries and Galloway to young people across Scotland.

MISSION TO DELIVER THE VISION

Deliver an aspirational programme for the Year of Young People 2018, providing a range of experiences, activities and events across the region that have a clear legacy and impact for Dumfries and Galloway.



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INTRODUCTION

As part of the Scottish Government's programme of themed years, 2018 has been identified as the Year of Young People, aiming to inspire Scotland through its young people, celebrating their achievements, valuing their contribution to communities and creating new opportunities for them to shine locally, nationally and globally.

This is an exciting opportunity for Dumfries and Galloway to co-produce an innovative and dynamic calendar of projects, experiences and events to celebrate and showcase young people and youth work across our region.

The responsibility leading the development of this plan rests with the local authority, however, the plan is a regional plan and not just a Council plan. Each directorate within our Council and a number of third sector organisations are involved and significant consultation and engagement with wider stakeholders including young people took place to develop the plan.

The Dumfries and Galloway Plan has 3 high level strands which have been agreed by the strategic group and the youth steering group



Hosting of National Events For Young People



Local opportunities, experiences & community activities



Participation in national events and programmes for young people in Dumfries & Galloway



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WHAT IS YEAR OF YOUNG PEOPLE - IN A NUTSHELL

Year of Young People 2018 is an opportunity to celebrate the amazing young personalities, talents, and achievers that make up Scotland. It's all about inspiring our nation through its young people's ideas, attitudes and ambitions.

This year long programme of events, activities and ideas will give young people in Scotland the opportunity to show the world what they're made of. Year of Young People 2018 is something everyone can support (young or young-at-heart) and be immensely proud of.

An in-depth engagement process was undertaken by young people in 2015 and 2016 across Scotland, including Dumfries and Galloway.

Based on what was heard through this engagement process, young people made recommendations for what the aim, objectives and priority themes should be for the Year of Young People 2018. All activity delivered through Year of Young People 2018 will be developed with a clear focus on meeting these aims and objectives.

AIMS

Year of Young People 2018 aims to inspire Scotland through its young people, celebrating their achievements, valuing their contribution to communities and creating new opportunities for them to shine locally, nationally and globally.

OBJECTIVES

- Provide a platform for young people to have their views heard and acted upon
- Showcase the amazing talents of young people through events and media
- Develop better understanding, co-operation and respect between generations
- Recognise the impact of teachers, youth workers and other supporting adults on young people's lives
- Provide opportunities for young people to express themselves through culture, sport and other activities



culture

Share and celebrate young people's talent and contribution to Scottish culture and arts.



health and wellbeing

Make sure young people have the chance to lead healthy, active lives and understand the importance of mental health and resilience.



enterprise and regeneration

Celebrate young people's role in innovation, entrepreneurship and the Scottish economy as well as making Scotland a greener and more pleasant place to live.



equality and discrimination

Recognise the positive impact of young people in Scotland and encourage them to take the lead in challenging all forms of prejudice and discrimination.



education

Allow young people to have more say in their education and learning.



participation

Give young people the chance to influence decisions that affect their lives.



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RE-FOCUSSING THE LENS ON OUR YOUNG PEOPLE

Dumfries and Galloway is located in the South West of Scotland. It is the 3rd largest region in Scotland covering 6,439sq meters. The region borders with various local authorities – East Ayrshire, South Ayrshire and Borders Regions in Scotland and Cumbria in England.

In Dumfries and Galloway, there is a youth population of over 25'000 young people aged 10-25 based on the Crichton Institute's local area profiles that were produced in 2011.

Of this, 18.8% reside in Wigtownshire, 14.2% in Stewartry, 42.1% in Nithsdale and 24.9% in Annandale and Eskdale.

Dumfries and Galloway has a long standing tradition of supporting young people and successfully hosting events for young people including Youth Beatz Festival, Commonwealth Youth Summit, Young Quality Scot Awards, Children and Youth Arts Festival and Under 20's Ice Sports Championships.

The Year of Young People 2018 is an opportunity to refocus the lens and focus on what is great about young people in Dumfries and Galloway. The year gives us an opportunity to discuss with young people what we offer them and what our offer for young people in Dumfries and Galloway should be in the future. It is an opportunity to provide universal opportunities for all our young people as well as providing targeted events for our young people most in need.





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DEVELOPING THE PLAN

To ensure Dumfries and Galloway maximises the opportunities around Scotland's Year of Young People a strategic group has been established and has been meeting since early 2017. This group includes representatives from young people within the Youth Steering Group, all directorates within our Council and Third Sector organisations. There are over 30 organisations represented in the group. The group is co-chaired by the young person who is the Chair of the Youth Steering Group and the Manager - Young People.

The remit of this group is:

- Provide strategic overview of Year of Young People for Dumfries & Galloway to maximise impact & reduce duplication.
- Lead on all aspects of Year of Young People for Dumfries & Galloway

DELIVERING THE PLAN

The Young Peoples Service within the Children, Young People and Lifelong Learning Directorate has strategic responsibility for the delivery and co-ordination of the Year of Young People in Dumfries and Galloway. Each theme has an identified service to act as the lead.

It is important that young people are at the heart of everything we do for the year and to ensure young people are involved in all decisions and shape the plans for the year, young people have been engaged in the following ways:-



Youth Steering Group (Celebr18) - This is a group of 16 young people from across Dumfries and Galloway that has representatives from all 4 areas and they provide oversight and direction of our work in relation to the Year of Young People. They lead on projects and activities to create events and opportunities to celebrate young people. The opportunity to be part of the group is open to any young person and the initial group was recruited to from a range of organisations working with young people.

National Ambassadors - Ambassadors ensure that people and organisations in their communities know about what's happening. Together with other Ambassadors they lead on projects and activities to create events and opportunities to celebrate young people. There are 200 ambassadors across Scotland, and Dumfries and Galloway has ambassadors who are all be part of the youth steering group.

Communic18 National Group - Communic18, are the co-design champions for the whole of the Year of Young People and are involved in making key decisions about the celebratory year. The Communic18 role includes taking part in funding panels, supporting activity in local authority areas, supervising the year's six themes, helping to spread the word about the Year of Young People and how to support it, amongst local communities. Dumfries and Galloway has 1 representative on this group, alongside 31 other local authority representatives. The young person was selected after a rigorous selection process that was conducted by Young Scot, The national youth information charity for Scotland on behalf of The Scottish Government.



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CONSULTATION AND FINDINGS

INTRODUCTION

The purpose of the consultation was to engage with young people, aged 8-25 years and living in Dumfries and Galloway, primarily to find out what youth opportunities and experiences they would like to see happen in the region as part of the Year of Young People. At the same time we took the opportunity to discuss some of the key challenges and issues faced by young people to help us develop a better understanding of the barriers to participation, the needs of local communities and the gaps in opportunities for young people.

The consultation was carried out jointly by Dumfries and Galloway Council's Youth Work Service and young people from the Dumfries and Galloway Project Team (youth steering group for Year of Young People)

METHODOLOGY

The consultation was carried out during May & June 2017. A range of approaches were adopted to involve different groups of young people that were relevant, accessible and appropriate to their age and ability.

Resources and activities such as mobile youth centre, photo booths, team games, arts & crafts and vote with your feet were used to create an informal, fun and engaging environment.

EVENT	TARGET AGE	NUMBER	GEOGRAPHIC AREA
Visioning Day	8 - 12 year olds	57	Primary Schools across D&G
Interactive Workshops	12 - 18 year olds	268	Secondary Schools across D&G
Surveys	12 - 25 year olds	312	Youth Groups/centres across D&G
Focus Groups	8 - 25 year olds	70	Held across D&G

The conversations within the workshops focused on the following topics:

1. YOYP Aspirations
2. Scottish Celebrations
3. Communication
4. Respect
5. Being Young in Dumfries & Galloway
6. Youth Opportunities
7. Youth Participation & Democracy





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CONSULTATION AND FINDINGS

RESULTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

The main findings have been summarised to enable the Year of Young People Strategic Group and Youth Steering Group to take forward key priorities for 2018.

- The exercise provided a wealth of information about existing groups and organisations within the region that are currently providing excellent services for our young people and highlighted areas where there is a clear lack of opportunities.
- Young people expressed a desire for more arts and physical based activity, opportunities to participate in events and trips and opportunities to be involved in local decision making processes.
- Transport, cost and confidence are the main barriers stopping young people from participating in youth work opportunities outwith their own community
- Young people want more opportunities to develop their wider achievement, employability, confidence and skills
- Young people want more opportunities to influence decisions that affect their life, including their education
- Preferred methods of communication with young people is via social media, youth workers or through school
- Celebrating and recognising achievement is important to young people
- Young people view Dumfries and Galloway as a nice and safe place to live but feel disadvantaged by the rurality of some areas across the region

CONCLUSION

From the information gathered through the consultation the following key priorities have been agreed as a focus for the Dumfries and Galloway Year of Young People plan.

1. Increase opportunities for young people in Dumfries and Galloway to take part in free, accessible and positive activities and experiences including opportunities to participate in wider achievement & accreditation
2. Deliver youth opportunities in smaller towns and villages across the region and promote the existing groups and organisations
3. Develop opportunities for young people to participate fully in their own local community of place through active citizenship, volunteering and having their voices heard with local decision makers
4. Develop a robust communication strategy that involves utilising social media as the primary way of contacting young people
5. Create opportunities for young people to participate in activities and events outwith the region
6. Create opportunities to celebrate and showcase the talents and contributions of young people regionally





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Signature EVENTS

Our Council has been working with various national organisations to host some of the national Year of Young People events within Dumfries and Galloway as well as enhancing the Youth Beatz Festival. Our signature events programme has events across the region throughout 2018.

66th SCOTTISH YOUTH PARLIAMENT SITTING

Hosting the national youth parliament for the first time in Dumfries and Galloway

When: 9th & 10th June 2018

Key Partner: Scottish Youth Parliament

MOVING FORWARD TOGETHER

Regional gathering of adults working or volunteering with young people to develop new collaborations and sharing of good practice nationally and locally

When: 27th October 2018

STRANRAER

NEWTON STEWART

KIRKCUDBRIGHT

DUKE OF EDINBURGH'S AWARD NATIONAL YEAR OF YOUNG PEOPLE EVENT

Leadership and skills development residential for young people from across Scotland involved in DoFE

When: 17th - 21st September 2018

Key Partner: Duke of Edinburgh's Award Scotland





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10,000 VOICES

10'000 voices is set to be Dumfries and Galloway's largest ever exercise to collect the views of young people aged 10-25 from the issues impacting them, to their perceptions of the communities in which they live, and will run throughout 2018.

This project will involve young people in every phase from the initial planning and development through to the delivery and the subsequent analysis and reporting of the findings. This information will be used to inform a 5 year strategic plan for young people's services and will be an excellent insight into young people's views and priorities for all organisations working iwth young people across Dumfries and Galloway.

Engagement will begin in January 2018 at the Year of Young People launch event and will continue throughout the year at a range of events, community based provision and alongside our local secondary, higher and further education centres.

The findings of 10,000 Voices will be announced at the closing event in December 2018.





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APPENDIX 1

DUMFRIES AND GALLOWAY YEAR OF YOUNG PEOPLE PARTNERSHIP

PROGRAMMES AND ACTIONS



CULTURE



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Share and celebrate young people's talent and contribution to Scottish culture and arts.

PROGRAMME/ACTION	DESCRIPTION	RESPONSIBILITY	TIMESCALE	OTHER YOYP THEMES
Launch Event	A lantern procession and youth musical showcase. Where young people become aware of, and know how to get involved in, the Year of Young People events and opportunities happening across Dumfries & Galloway	Young Peoples Service (Youth Work)	Jan 2018	Participation
Try- Arts Try-Sport Try-Science	Young people have increased opportunities to participate in the arts, sport and science through a programme of taster sessions delivered in local communities across the region, giving opportunities to express themselves through culture, leisure and the sciences.	Young Peoples Service (Youth Work) Arts Sector Partners Community Sports Clubs STEM Providers	Jan - Dec 2018	Participation Health & Wellbeing Education
Big DoG	A Children's Book Festival for Dumfries	Wigtown Festival Company	April 2018	Participation
Youth Beatz Festival	An 8 day festival for 12-25 year olds which includes the community fringe events, The Toon and the enhanced main Youth Beatz day	Young Peoples Service (Youth Work) Oasis Events Team The Toon Productions	June - July 2018	Participation Education
Wigtown Book Festival – WTF18	Young people are involved in developing youth opportunities to be included as part of Wigtown Book Festival.	Wigtown Festival Company	Oct 2018	Participation
Wigtown Childrens Festival	Literature festival for children	Wigtown Festival Company	Oct 2018	Participation
Dreams for the Future - Celebrating the opening of the National Centre for Children's Literature and Storytelling at the birthplace of Peter Pan	Creating a major international visitor attraction for Dumfries and Galloway due to open end 2018. Community events to celebrate the opening of the Centre and highlighting the town's heritage and connections with the creation of the story of Peter Pan	Peter Pan Moat Brae Trust	Nov 2018	Participation Education
Closing Event	Young people's talents, skills, contribution to local communities and achievements, including young businesses, are recognised and celebrated through the closing event.	Young Peoples Service (Youth Work) The Crichton Trust	Dec 2018	Participation Education

STRATEGIC LEAD - YOUNG PEOPLES SERVICES (YOUTH WORK)



EDUCATION



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Allow young people to have more say in their education and learning

PROGRAMME/ACTION	DESCRIPTION	RESPONSIBILITY	TIMESCALE	OTHER YOYP THEMES
Careers Education	Young people (3-18) will have opportunities to learn about the world of work, including STEM partnership working, e.g. presentations, activities, career mentoring sessions. They will have opportunities to profile skills and qualities and be aware of rights and responsibilities. Careers education in D&G schools will promote diversity and challenge discrimination.	Schools Services	Jan - Dec 2018	Enterprise & Regeneration Health & Wellbeing Equality & Discrimination
Pupil Councils and Student Forums	Young people will have opportunities to participate in the life of the school. These bodies will have responsibility for sharing Pupil Voice within schools, reflecting on key themes e.g. curriculum, learning and teaching, self evaluation.	Schools Services	Jan - Dec 2018	Participation
Past, Present and Future of being young in Dumfries and Galloway	An intergenerational project exploring what being young in the region was 50 years ago, capturing what it is like now and looking to the future to 2068. The project will include burying a time capsule to be opened in 2068	Young Peoples Service (Youth Work)	Jan - Dec 2018	Participation
Schools for the Future	The new facilities at North West Campus and St Joseph's College will open and these facilities will improve the learning estate and increase learning opportunities for young people.	Schools Services	April 2018	
Kirkcudbright Art Gallery Education Programme	Young people will engage and experience new opportunities for learning through the opening of the new art gallery.	Kirkcudbright Art Gallery	April 2018	Culture
Peer Programmes	Young people will have the opportunity to lead groups of learners within school communities and thus shape the culture within these communities e.g. MPV programme supported by Police Scotland's Violence Reduction Unit and ASSIST programme supported by NHS, Local Authority and Third Sector, LGBT Schools Charter supported by LGBT Youth Scotland.	Schools Services	June 2018	Health and Wellbeing Equality & Discrimination



ENTERPRISE & REGENERATION



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Celebrate young people's role in innovation, entrepreneurship and the Scottish economy as well as making Scotland a greener and more pleasant place to live

PROGRAMME/ACTION	DESCRIPTION	RESPONSIBILITY	TIMESCALE	OTHER YOYP THEMES
Enterprise and Entrepreneurial skills - young businesses	Young people will have opportunities to participate in structured programmes e.g. Young enterprise Scotland, Micro-Tyco etc. They will learn fundamental business principles in a safe environment and reflect on experiences for learning purposes.	Employability & Skills Service	Jan - Dec 2018	
Planning for the Future Residential Programme	Provide young people with the skills to make informed choices about their future career choices including giving young people the chance to explore different career pathways through a regional residential programme at the Barony College	Employability Partnership Schools Services	June 2018	Education Participation Equality & Discrimination
Business Week – Developing Young Workforce	Young people can showcase their business expertise and share experiences with other businesses and young entrepreneurs	Employability Partnership	Oct 2018	
Moving Forward Together	Regional gathering of adults working or volunteering with young people to develop new collaborations and sharing of good practice nationally and locally	Young Peoples Service (Youth Work)	Oct 2018	Participation
Dumfries Learning Town Career Event	A careers event where young people can meet employers from various businesses across the region, learn about career pathways and find out about career opportunities available in the region	Employability Partnership	Nov 2018	Education

STRATEGIC LEAD - EMPLOYABILITY AND SKILLS SERVICE



EQUALITY & DISCRIMINATION



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Recognise the positive impact of young people in Scotland and encourage them to take the lead in challenging all forms of prejudice and discrimination

PROGRAMME/ACTION	DESCRIPTION	RESPONSIBILITY	TIMESCALE	OTHER YOYP THEMES
Pay It Forward	Young people are trained and supported to volunteer safely and effectively within their own communities of place or interest. Improved public perception of young people.	Young Peoples Service (Youth Work)	Jan - Dec 2018	Participation Health & Wellbeing
#ROOTS	A regional get together of all young people involved in youth democracy, including our care experienced young people to look at the past, present and future of being young in Dumfries and Galloway	Young Peoples Service (Champions Board Team)	March 2018	Participation
LGBT National Youth Gathering	Celebrate diversity and the lives of LGBT young people across Scotland through bringing 250 LGBT Young People together in the region for a national gathering	LGBT Youth Scotland Young Peoples Service (Youth Work) The Crichton Trust	April 2018	Participation Health & Wellbeing
The Toon Productions	The Toon is an issue based drama production taking a look into some of the real life issues faced by today's young people. The Toon is a hard hitting way of informing young people aged 14 - 25 about current issues that may be affecting them or may affect them in the future.	Young Peoples Service (Youth Work)	June 2018	Culture Health & Wellbeing Education Participation
I'm a Councillor – Get Me Out Of Here!!	Fun, informal opportunities for young people to have their voices heard with local decision makers in a safe and controlled environment.	Young Peoples Service (Youth Work)	Oct 2018	Participation

STRATEGIC LEAD - YOUNG PEOPLES SERVICES (YOUTH WORK)



HEALTH & WELLBEING



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Make sure young people have the chance to lead healthy, active lives and understand the importance of mental health and resilience.

PROGRAMME/ACTION	DESCRIPTION	RESPONSIBILITY	TIMESCALE	OTHER YOYP THEMES
Under 20 World Ice Hockey Championships	Hosting the International Ice Hockey Federations Men's under 20 World Championship Div 2a which will see Great Britain, Japan, Korea, Romania, Netherlands and Estonia compete here on our doorstep.	Leisure and Sport	Dec 2017	Culture Education Participation
Cool2Talk	Implement a digital health intervention "Cool2Talk", an interactive website for young people that will provide young people with access to digital health information.	Health & Wellbeing	Jan 2018	Education Equality & Discrimination
Young People as Leaders in Dance	Develop opportunities for young people through dance leadership programmes and events that enhance their skills and abilities to deliver sustainable dance programmes and activities.	Health and Wellbeing	Mar - Jul 2018	Culture Education Participation
Area Committee and Sports Grant Funding	Discussions will take place around Area Committee Funding and Local Sports Grants Funding for the 2018 – 2019 financial year will include additional criteria in support of Young people's progression or development in their chosen field or sport, and events or programmes for young people.	Health & Wellbeing	Mar - Dec 2018	Participation
Young People as Leaders in Sport	Develop a year long programme of opportunities for young people through leadership programmes that enhance pathways and progression into further education and employment in the field of sport and physical activity. This will see an increased programme of opportunities to participate in sport and physical activity.	Health & Wellbeing	Sept/Oct 2018	Participation Education
Mental Health and Resilience Programme to Support Young People	Implement a systematic and sustainable long term Mental Health Framework to maximise the mental health and wellbeing of our young people.	Health & Wellbeing	Ongoing	

STRATEGIC LEAD - HEALTH AND WELLBEING



PARTICIPATION



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Give young people the chance to influence decisions that affect their lives.

PROGRAMME/ACTION	DESCRIPTION	RESPONSIBILITY	TIMESCALE	OTHER YOYP THEMES
Young Peoples Choices	A participatory budgeting project that will allow young people to apply for funding to deliver young person led YOYP projects, that will be selected by other young people voting for their choices	Young Peoples Service (Youth Work)	Jan - Dec 2018	ALL THEMES
Educational Excursions Out of the Region	Young people across the region have opportunities to participate in YOYP events across Scotland.	Young Peoples Service (Youth Work)	Jan - Dec 2018	Culture
2018 Bucket List	Opportunities for young people to have a say in their own learning journey through an interactive and challenging project using modern day technologies to engage with hardly reached young people.	Young Peoples Service (Youth Work)	Jan - Dec 2018	Health and Wellbeing Education Culture
Fun Sized Tour	Outreach youth work programme to increase the opportunities for young people living in remote and rural places to participate in youth work provision within their own communities.	Young Peoples Service (Youth Work)	Jan - Dec 2018	Culture Health & Wellbeing
Develop and launch a new youth engagement and participation strategy,	providing a joined up approach for how young people influence decisions and have their voice heard meaningfully	Young Peoples Service (Youth Work)	Jan 2018	
Holiday Programmes	Young people have increased opportunities to take part in free, accessible events and activities.	Young Peoples Service (Youth Work)	Apr 2018 July 2018 Oct 2018	Health and Wellbeing Culture
Scottish Youth Parliament – National Sitting	Our region will host the National Scottish Youth Parliament sitting in the West of the region.	Young Peoples Service (Youth Work) Scottish Youth Parliament	June 2018	Equality & Discrimination Education
Amaze Me Leader	Hosting of European exchanges between young people in different countries.	Dumfries & Galloway Leader	August 2018	Culture
Duke of Edinburgh Award –National YOYP Event	300 Young people across Scotland inc. uniformed groups, come together to further develop their volunteering and leadership through sharing experiences & challenges at the national DofE event.	Young Peoples Service (Youth Work) Duke of Edinburgh's Award Uniformed Groups	Sept 2018	Health & Wellbeing
International Youth Volunteering Exchange	25 young people from across the region will work on a global education project exploring global issues and culminating in an international youth exchange	Young Peoples Service (Youth Work)	Oct 2018	Culture Education



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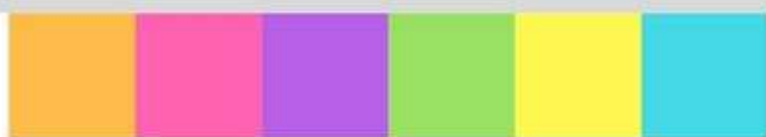
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DUMFRIES AND GALLOWAY YEAR OF YOUNG PEOPLE PARTNERSHIP

EVENTS AND ACTIVITY CALENDAR



Event/Activity	Location	Lead Service	Identified YOYP Theme
Jan-18			
Launch Event	Annan	Dumfries and Galloway Council	
Big Burns Supper outreach work with schools	Various	Schools Services	Culture
Big Burns Supper	Dumfries	Big Burns Supper	Culture & Participation
Feb-18			
Southern Scottish Counties Burns Association Regional and Scottish Competitions	TBC	Education	Culture
Portfest- Traditional songwriters music (Portpatrick)	Wigtownshire	Portfest- Traditional songwriters music (Portpatrick)	Culture
Mar-18			
#Roots	Lockerbie	Dumfries and Galloway Council	
D&G Environmental Fair	Nithsdale	Dumfries and Galloway Council	Culture
Dumfries and District Music Festival Association – Speech, Music, Scottish Country Dancing, Accordion & Fiddle	Dumfries Academy	Schools Services	Culture
Young Enterprise Scotland Awards Evening	Easterbrook Hall, Dumfries	Schools Services	Enterprise & Regeneration
Dumfries & Galloway Arts live- A minimum of 6 events programmed for young people by young people	Various venues across the region	Dumfries & Galloway Arts Festival	Culture
Dumfries & Galloway Arts live- A minimum of 4 events programmed for young people	Various venues across the region	Dumfries & Galloway Arts Festival	Culture
A Taste of Your Future	SRUC – Barony Campus	SRUC	Education
Wild Film Festival	Region-wide	Southern Uplands Trust	Culture
Apr-18			
LGBT National Youth Gathering	Dumfries	Dumfries and Galloway Council	
Big DoG Festival	Region-wide	Wigtown Festival Company	Culture
Playwrights' Scratch	Region-wide	DG Arts Festival	Culture
Big Lit	Stewartry	The Bakehouse	Culture
May-18			
Moniaive Folk Festival	Nithsdale	Moniaive Festival Village	Culture
Maidens of Music	Nithsdale	Independent (Carol Brotherston)	Culture
DG Arts Festival	Region-wide	DG Arts Festival	Culture & Participation
Festival of Museums	Region-wide		Culture
Dumfries & Galloway Arts Festival A minimum of 5 Events programmed for young people by young people	Various locations across the region	Dumfries & Galloway Arts Festival	Culture
Dumfries & Galloway Arts Festival- A minimum of 15 events programmed for young people as part of the 10 day arts festival	Various locations across the region	Dumfries & Galloway Arts Festival	Culture
Spring Fling	Region-wide	Upland	Culture
Springfling outreach work with school	Various	Schools Services	Education
Da Vinci Competition	TBC	Schools Services	Education
Annual Open Day	SRUC – Barony Campus	SRUC	Education
South West Scotland Community Woodland Trust -Taliesen Kids Camp	Stewartry	South West Scotland Community Woodland Trust (Taliesen) Kids Camp	Culture Participation
Jun-18			
66th Scottish Youth Parliament Sitting	Stranraer	Dumfries and Galloway Council	
Student Film Festival	Nithsdale	Dumfries & Galloway College	Culture
World Peace Festival	Nithsdale	Allanton Peace Prayer Sanctuary	Culture
Theatre Stage at Youth Beatz- Theatre showcase for young people	Dumfries	DG Arts Festival & Young Peoples Services	Culture
Dumfries and Galloway College Schools' Competition	Dumfries and Galloway College	Schools Services	Education
Annual Prizegiving Awards	SRUC – Barony Campus	SRUC	Education
RHET Farm Visits	SRUC Crichton and Barony Campus	SRUC	Education
Planning For Your Future Residential Event	Crichton Campus / SRUC Barony Campus	CCLG	Education
Crest Awards Ceremonies	Regional (Stranraer, DLT & Dalbeattie)	Schools of the Future and Dumfries & Galloway College	Education
Stewartry Careers Day	Stewartry	Stewartry Schools YGC's	Education
Kirkcudbright Jazz Festival	Stewartry	Kirkcudbright Jazz Festival	Culture
Youth Beatz Festival	Dumfries	Dumfries and Galloway Council	



Jul-18			
Moniaive Comic Festival	Moniaive	Moniaive Festival Village	Culture
Galloway Children's Festival (Kirkcudbright)	Stewartry	Kirkcudbright Summer Festivities	Culture
Midsummer Music Festival (Gatehouse of Fleet)	Stewartry	Gatehouse of Fleet Festival Group	Culture
Creative Whithorn - Arts and Craft Trail	Wigtownshire	Creative Whithorn - Arts and Craft	Culture
Let's get Sporty Super Sunday Fun Day	Easterbrook Hall	Let's get Sporty	Health & Wellbeing
Aug-18			
Electric Fields	Nithsdale	Electric Fields	Culture
Environmental Arts Festival Scotland	Region wide		Participation
Kirkcudbright Art and Crafts Trail	Stewartry	Kirkcudbright Art and Crafts Trail/ Kirkcudbright Summer Festivities	Culture
Kirkcudbright Summer Festivities	Stewartry	Kirkcudbright Summer Festivities	Culture
Let's Get Celebrating	TBC	Let's get Sporty	Participation
Lowland Gathering- (Stranraer)	Wigtownshire	Lowland Gathering- Stranraer	Culture
Sep-18			
Duke of Edinburgh's Award National Year of Young People Event	Kirkcudbright	Dumfries and Galloway Council	
Lockerbie Jazz Festival	Annandale & Eskdale	Lockerbie Jazz Festival	Culture
Moniaive Michaelmass and Bluegrass Festival	Nithsdale	Moniaive Festival Village	Culture
Nithraid	Nithsdale	The Stove Network	Culture
Sanctuary Lab- Murray's monument, Newton Stewart	Wigtownshire		Culture
Wigtown Book Festival – school's programme	Wigtown	Schools Services	Education
Higher Education Conference	Easterbrook Hall Dumfries	Schools Services	Education
Proposed Crichton Campus Roadshow	Regional	Crichton Campus	Education
WTF18	Wigtownshire	Wigtown Festival Company	Participation
Oct-18			
Moving Forward Together	Newton Stewart	Dumfries and Galloway Council	
Dumfries Music Conference	Nithsdale	The Stove Network	Culture
Wigtown Book Festival	Wigtownshire	Wigtown Festival Company	Culture
Wigtown Children's Festival	Wigtown	Wigtown Festival Company	Culture
Dumfries & Galloway Arts live A minimum of 6 events programmed for young people by young people	Various venues across the region	Dumfries & Galloway Arts Festival	Culture
Dumfries & Galloway Arts live A minimum of 4 events programmed for young people	Various venues across the region	Dumfries & Galloway Arts Festival	Culture
Gender Imbalance Day	Dumfries & Galloway College	Dumfries & Galloway College	Education
Nov-18			
STEM Day	Dumfries & Galloway College	St Joseph's College	Education
Schools! Creative projects in schools culminating in special events in town	Dumfries	Peter Pan, Moat Brae Trust	Education
Inspired! celebrity guests share their story and meet local young people at National Centre for Children's Literature & Storytelling	Dumfries	Peter Pan, Moat Brae Trust	Education
CrocRock! Community Parade with giant light-up ticking crocodile leading to spectacular Peter Pan themed town Christmas Lights Switch On	Dumfries	Peter Pan, Moat Brae Trust	Education
DLT Careers Event & Dumfries & Galloway College's Open Doors Event	Dumfries & Galloway College	DLT/DGTAP/ Dumfries & Galloway College	Education
Dec-18			
Staged! music and theatre commissions and performances in local venues (all by young people), performed alongside a staged production of the first play of JM	Dumfries	Peter Pan, Moat Brae Trust	Education
Mutiny! Takeover Day when the National Centre will be opened to the public and run and organised by a team of young volunteers	Dumfries	Peter Pan, Moat Brae Trust	Education
Shared! Young people takeover the story of the opening of Moat Brae – using social media and creative content development	Dumfries	Peter Pan, Moat Brae Trust	Education
Nursing Open Day	Crichton Campus	UWS / NHS	Health & Wellbeing
Under 20 World Ice Hockey Championships & European Curling Championships	Dumfries	Dumfries and Galloway Council	
Closing Event	Dumfries	Dumfries and Galloway Council	
No Confirmed Dates			
School concerts and performances	Various	Schools Services	Education
School activities / Health week	Various	Schools Services	Health & Wellbeing
Annandale and Eskdale Physical Education, Physical Activity and Sport (PEPAS) Calendar	Annandale and Eskdale	Wellbeing	Health & Wellbeing
Nithsdale Physical Education, Physical Activity and Sport (PEPAS) Calendar	Nithsdale	Wellbeing	Health & Wellbeing
Stewartry Physical Education, Physical Activity and Sport (PEPAS) Calendar	Stewartry	Wellbeing	Health & Wellbeing
Wigtownshire Physical Education, Physical Activity and Sport (PEPAS) Calendar	Wigtownshire	Wellbeing	Health & Wellbeing
Disability Sport Calendar	Dumfries and Galloway	Wellbeing	Health & Wellbeing
Secondary School Sport Calendar	Dumfries and Galloway	Wellbeing	Health & Wellbeing
Dance and Physical Activity Calendar	Dumfries and Galloway	Wellbeing	Health & Wellbeing



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Organisations involved in supporting the Dumfries and Galloway Year of Young People Plan include;

- Active Schools and Community Sport
- Annan Athletic FC
- Celebr'18 - Youth Steering Group
- Communities Directorate
- Corporate Services
- DG Tap
- Duke of Edinburgh's Award
- Dumfries Ice Bowl Curling Association
- Dumfries & Galloway Arts Festival
- Dumfries & Galloway College
- Dumfries and Galloway Leader
- DG Unlimited (on behalf of its Members from the creative sector)
- Employability and Skills Service
- Event Scotland
- Ice Hockey UK
- International Ice Hockey Federation
- Leisure and Sport
- Let's Get Sporty
- LGBT Youth Scotland
- Life Changes Trust
- NHS Scotland
- Oasis Events Team
- Peter Pan Moat Brae Trust
- Schools for the Future
- Schools Services
- Scottish Youth Parliament
- Skills Development Scotland
- SRUC - Barony Campus
- The Crichton Trust
- The Toon Productions
- Crichton Campus
- Young Peoples Service (Youth Work Team)

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