

Youth Work ACTION PLAN

April 2026 – March 2027



CREDITON
TOWN COUNCIL

The Youth Work Action Plan is part of the work of Credition Town Council (CTC) and should be seen alongside the wider CTC Action Plan.

Key projects for 2026/2027 include:

- Continuing to work towards the Strategic Plan for youth work:
 - 1) To provide youth activities, projects and opportunities in Credition
 - 2) To foster and develop increased learning and development opportunities for young people by encouraging them and supporting them to contribute steer initiatives and lead their own youth led projects
 - 3) To work in partnership with the wider community, health and education organisations and other relevant groups that align with our aims and objectives
 - 4) To generate a sense of responsibility and ownership in young people through social action and to develop their citizenship and involvement in their communities
- Working with Mid Devon District Council (MDDC) on the delivery of projects via S106 funding, ensuring young people views and needs are heard and delivered e.g. Skate Park upgrade.
- Ensure that young people's views and needs are listened to in relation to the redevelopment of Old Landscore School. Or alternatively seek alternative longer-term premises that meet young people's needs (as per section 2.2 Credition Neighbourhood Plan).
- Work closely with Queen Elizabeths School, and other local schools, to ensure that our most vulnerable young people are identified, supported and safe, and that they have the opportunity to reach their full potential and become active citizens of Credition.
- Working closely with Credition Congregational Church and Credition Methodist Church Youth Clubs to look at the joint provision of trips, events and activities for young people to have time outside of Credition, building on the success of our summer trips in 2024 and 2025.

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Objective 1:					
To continue to provide youth work in Crediton through Youth Work sessions, activities, and projects, and detached work.					
<u>1.1 Girls Group</u>	Youth Worker, Peer Educator (supported by Lead YW)	Ongoing	Ongoing. Based at Crediton Arts Centre	Girls Group projects Viability to be reviewed at each Youth Sub-Committee meeting (Includes Park Outreach during summer term)	£400 materials, £400 refreshments, £960 12-month rent = Total £1760 NB currently based at Crediton Arts Centre – savings in rent may be made if other venues become available.
Target outcomes:			Timescale and achieved:		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sign up 15, average attendance 10 • Range of curriculum activities delivered • Recruit new young people to attend 			Report termly		
<u>1.2 Park outreach</u>	Lead Youth Worker Peer Ed	Ongoing to end July.	Starts end of April	Outreach, connection to other activities, education	£0
Target outcomes:			Timescale and achieved		
10 sessions (April, May, June and July), min 15 young people per session			to report in Autumn		
<u>1.3 QE School Outreach</u>	Lead YW & PE/YW Team	Term time only, ongoing.	Ongoing	Generic open access youth work promotion and support	£0
Target outcomes: 38 school visits across 12 months – term time only			Timescale and achieved:		
			Report termly		

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<u>1.4 Crediton Youth Clubs trips</u>	Lead YW & YW Team (bank as needed)	Ongoing	Ongoing	Work with CCC & Methodist Church YC to deliver trips and activities during school holidays	£650 Community Alcohol Partnership (CAP) £125 & Lions Grant £115
Target outcomes: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Easter holiday trip – learning: navigating changing trains & travel, understanding departure boards, going to correct platform Summer holiday trip 			Crediton Youth Clubs trips – timescale and achieved <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Easter Holiday Funder Park – 11 booked, 10 attended; young people learnt how to navigate and understand train travel; understood the responsibility of retaining tickets for travel, reading departure boards, alighting and exiting transport in an informal, enjoyable and safe manner Summer holiday trip – report Autumn 		

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<p><u>Crediton Youth Fringe</u> A 2-week festival of activities for young people in Crediton starting on 20th July. Activities to include, graffiti art, sports, creative art, performance art, battle of the bands – see details below. Delivered by Crediton Youth Council and partners including The Bookery, Crediton Heart Project, Crediton Arts Centre</p>					
<p><u>1.5 Fringe opening event: Festival in the Park</u></p>	<p>Lead YW, Peer Ed</p> <p>Supported by CAP and Space outreach team</p>	<p>20/07/2026</p>	<p>Ongoing planning</p>	<p>An afternoon of activities in Newcombes Meadow to include graffiti art, sports and drugs and alcohol awareness raising</p>	<p>Graffiti Art £350 Refreshments £50 (CAP grant received) Total £400 - £50 +£350 Supported by CAP and Space outreach team Lions Club BBQ</p>
<p>Target outcomes: Before:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Partner organisations involved and contributing • Widescale advertising leading to good attendance <p>On the day:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Young people attending and participating in the activities 			<p>Timescale and achieved: 20/07 – to report in Autumn</p>		
<p><u>1.6 Fringe event: T shirt and vinyl record art</u></p>	<p>Lead YW</p>	<p>Mon 20/07/2026</p>	<p>Ongoing planning</p>	<p>An evening of creative activities. Must be booked in advance</p>	<p>£190 Olas Art - grant funded by CAP. Room booking Arts centre £30</p>
<p>Target outcomes: 20 young people attend; booking only due to limited spaces</p>			<p>Timescale and achieved: 20/07 – to report in Autumn</p>		

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<u>1.7 Fringe event: Battle of the Bands</u>	Youth Council, Youth Worker, Peer Ed, supported by Lead YW.	29/07/2026	Planning. Grants pending	Battle of the bands evening at Crediton Arts Centre.	Room hire £54, technician £120, refreshments £50 CAP grant awarded £120 for technician and £50 for free non-alcoholic bar Total £224 - £170 = £54
Target outcomes: Before: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Young people develop skills and experience in planning an event. • Artists and bands register to perform • Community members come forward to be judges During: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attendance by young people and parents / carers as audience – 50 young people 			Timescale and achieved: 20/07 – to report in Autumn		
<u>1.8 Fringe Event: Year 6 Transition Art Project</u>	Youth Council, Youth Worker, Peer Ed, supported by Lead YW.	23/07/2026 & 30/07/2026	Planning Grants pending	2 transitions art days led by YC for Year 6 children. At Crediton Arts Centre	Room hire- £250 Materials & activities £250 Refreshments £200 Total £700
Year 6 Transition Art Project – target outcomes: Before the day: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 peer educators and 4 youth voice volunteers plan and organise games activities and learning for the 2 days. • Maximum of 30 year 6 children enrolled (minimum of 18) On the day: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attendance by a minimum of 18 young people each day • Activities delivered and learning measured (Clang before and after scores) 			Timescale & achieved to report in Autumn		

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<u>1.9 Micro forest project</u>	Youth worker, Peer Ed Youth Council	November 2026	Planning Fundraising		£750
Micro forest - Target outcomes: Before planting: Build a travelling tree to raise awareness Tree on tour to multiple locations (Devon County Hall 28.03.2026, Youth Fringe July 2026, Crediton Green Fair September 2026, Devon Youth Parliament October 2026, Crediton Town Meeting TBC, Crediton Town Council Full Council TBC) Young people and adults reached and have an increased understanding of micro forest and its impact on the climate emergency via tree tour – Total 150 (CH 20; Youth Fringe 50, Green Fair 20, DYP 30, CTM meeting 20, Full TC meeting 10) Planting day: 15 young people involved on the day of planting micro-forest planting				Micro forest – Timescale & achieved Before planting: Tree Built - March 2026, 9 unique young people built the tree over 2 sessions Update termly, final report Spring 2027	
				TOTAL COST OBJECTIVE 1	£4704
				Possible grant and fee income	£560
				Balance	£4144

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Objective 2: To foster and develop increased learning opportunities for young people by encouraging them to contribute, steer initiatives and lead their own youth-led projects					
<u>2.1 Photography Internship</u>	Peer Educator (supported by Lead YW) Events and Town Centre Officer	May, June, July 2026	Planning	Work experience in Event Photography during CTC events (Boniface Bash & Food Festival) and at CYS Youth Fringe. Working with Crediton Courier to publish photos.	£0
Target outcomes: Min 5 young people offered internship opportunity			Timescale and achieved: June, July 2026 – to report in Autumn		
<u>2.2 Work experience</u>	Led by Lead youth Worker and supported by Town Clerk, Deputy Clerk, Events and Town Centre Manager and Administrative Assistant.	Saturday 11/07 to Thursday 16/07	Planning	Work experience activities: supporting the running and clean-up of BBB; youth work activities; Asset recordings; general council business.	£0
Target outcomes: 4 young people for one week			Timescale & achieved to report in Autumn		

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<u>2.3 Intensive work and statutory response work</u>	Lead YW. (Town Clerk in absence of Lead YW)	Term time only, ongoing		Work closely with Crediton schools, as well as other schools Crediton young people attend, to ensure that our most vulnerable Crediton young people are identified, supported and safe, and given the opportunity to reach their full potential and become active citizens of Crediton, through personalised and externally funded interventions. As appropriate and agreed, or in response to statutory requirements.	£0
Target outcomes:					
				TOTAL OBJECTIVE 2	£0

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<p>Objective 3: To work in partnership with the wider community, health and education organisations and other relevant groups that align with our aims and objectives</p>					
<p>3.1 Continue with the 5-year Youth Work Strategic Plan</p> <p>Develop a new 5-year plan</p>	<p>Youth Committee Town Clerk Lead YW</p>	<p>Ongoing</p>	<p>Ongoing</p>	<p>To work with our Devon wide, regional and national partners in youth work as well as our Crediton partners, in education, health, police and voluntary and community settings, to provide youth work to young people in Crediton.</p> <p>To continue to engage with the community and publicise youth work services available</p> <p>To work with our Devon wide, regional and national partners in youth work as well as our Crediton partners, in education, health, police and voluntary and community settings, to provide youth work to young people in Crediton.</p>	<p>£0</p>

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3.2 Annually review safeguarding processes and procedures	Youth Committee, Town Clerk, Lead YW, YW Team	Autumn 2026		Staff safeguarding team to meet 3 times per year	£0
				TOTAL OBJECTIVE 3	£0

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Objective 4					
To generate a sense of responsibility and ownership in young people through social action and to develop their citizenship and involvement in their communities					
<u>4.1 Youth Voice (Youth Council)</u>	Youth Worker Peer Ed (support from Lead YW)	Ongoing County Hall Day 28/03/2026 & 06/10/2026		Continue with the established Youth Council. Support Youth Council projects including a summer festival for young people & planting a micro forest. Encourage YC to be involved in other activities events & consultations by invitation. Continue to provide learning opportunities for young people, as per Objective 2	£400 materials £400 refreshments £700 rent Crediton library Total £1500 <i>Library Rent – grant received from Places to Go for £1000 to contribute to rent costs of venues</i>
Target outcomes: Young people engaged and contributing weekly External visits Recruit more Youth Voice members during the Autumn term			Timescale and achieved: Report termly		

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<u>4.2 Community Events</u> To work with the Events and Town Centre Officer to support young people involvement in community events.	Peer Educator (supported by Lead YW) Events and Town Centre Officer	Ongoing		To support young people involvement in a wide range of Crediton Town Council community events, including BBB, Food Festival, Christmas in Crediton.	£200
Target outcomes: Young people engaged and contributing			Reporting termly		
<u>4.3 Young people's involvement in Civic Events</u>	Town Clerk Lead YW YW Team Youth Voice	Ongoing		Work with the Town Clerk to involve young people in Civic Events such as Annual Town Meeting and Mayoral Reception, including the Youth Council organising and running 2026 Annual Town Meeting.	£0
Target outcomes: Young people engaged and contributing			Reporting termly		
<u>4.4 Lions Award</u>	Lead YW YW Team	Ongoing		To recognise young people for excellent service to Crediton through the Lions Award. Celebration Event / Awards evening as part of National Youth Work week	£100
Target outcomes: Young people engaged and achieving			Award ceremony to be advised		

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<u>4.5 Skate Park</u>	Lead YW Youth Voice Town Clerk	Ongoing		Work with young people and adults in the community to progress plans and fundraising, including research and commissioning plans and beginning fundraising.	£500 for trip
target outcomes:					
				TOTAL COSTS OBJECTIVE 4	£2300
				Predicted income and grants	£1000
				Balance	£1300

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<u>Training</u>					
To continue to provide appropriate training to staff	Lead YW Town Clerk	Ongoing		Appropriate Continual Professional Development made available to staff members, including but not limited to DBS processes, Safeguarding, First Aid, training and mentoring (as indicated through appraisals)	£300
First Aid	YW staff			1 qualified first aiders currently	£500
To continue to provide appropriate training to Youth Sub Committee members	Town Clerk Lead YW Youth Sub Committee Members	Ongoing		Provide councillors with the appropriate training to undertake their role successfully, Youth Sub Committee members safeguarding training; Inform members of relevant courses and encourage to attend	£200
				Total costs	£1000

Area of work	Anticipated costs	Anticipated grant income	Balance
Objective 1	4704	560	3664
Objective 2	0	0	0
Objective 3	0	0	0
Objective 4	2300	1000	1300
Training	1000	0	1000
Total	8174	1660	5764