



Department for  
Digital, Culture  
Media & Sport

# Youth Policy Update

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- Responsibility for different aspects of policy is spread across government
  - Home Office - criminal justice
  - DfE - education and vulnerable young people
  - BEIS - skills
  - MHCLG - local government/vulnerable families
  - **DCMS - digital (online harms), sport, culture, youth voice & youth services**



## DCMS and youth services

### Youth Voice

- Support youth voice work including Youth Parliament, Make Your Mark Youth Select Ctte
- A Youth Steering Group;
- A Young Inspectors Group; and
- Digital Youth engagement research



## Youth Charter

- The Youth Charter was announced 11th April to reaffirm Government's commitment to helping young people succeed.
- The charter will reaffirm Government's commitment to give young people a strong voice on the issues they care about.
- The charter will be developed over the next few months, with Government working alongside young people and youth sector organisations.



## DCMS Investment in youth services

### National Citizens Service

- Open to all in year 11&12
- 485,000 young people have taken part in NCS since the programme began and almost 100,000 took part in 2017.

### Youth Investment Fund (co funded with Lottery)

- 90 frontline community youth organisations
- 300,000 places

### #iwill fund (co funded with Lottery)

- Match funded with other funders creating **high quality opportunities** that connect young people authentically to causes they can address

### Uniformed Youth Fund

- To allow uniformed youth groups to expand in areas of deprivation
- **Centre for Youth Impact**
- **Building Connections Fund**
- **Support for youth qualifications**



Foundation





## Long term Funding opportunities

### Youth Futures Foundation

- works to help young people from different ethnic and social backgrounds into employment
- launched March 2019
- £90m dormant accounts

@YF\_Foundation

<https://www.youthemployment.org.uk/youth-voice-census/>

### Youth Endowment Fund

- £200m Home Office Funding
- Aimed at funding long-term early intervention work to keep young people safe
- Delivered by Impetus with the Early Intervention Foundation and Social Investment Business
- First round of funding in the autumn

<https://www.gov.uk/government/news/charity-chosen-to-deliver-200m-youth-endowment-fund-to-tackle-violence>



## What works

### Values and design

- Long term commitment
- Partnership across sectors
- Responsive and relevant

### Clear objectives

- Wellbeing
- Skills
- Citizenship and values

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