



SPRING 2022 YOUTH VOICE REPORT

Kesgrave, Rushmere St Andrew,
Martlesham, Carlford and Fynn Valley

An excellent response from young people across the area means we are able to take the issues raised to the right people and seek solutions to them where possible. A big thank you goes to the School Council at Kesgrave High School and Mr Ozanne for sharing their thoughts about how we can improve where you live.



Litter, poor lighting and the general condition of the 5 underpasses in Kesgrave was a key theme in the Youth Voice feedback. Shortly afterwards, work began on improving the underpasses using a local street artist (IG: @knapple_) and designs from local young people painted on the walls. Lighting has been fixed and anti-graffiti coatings added to the artwork. Work on the High School underpass will happen during the school holidays as we have to close it completely to pedestrians.

42% of comments mentioned the local environment – what's great about it and what could be improved.

Because of this feedback, our local Community Partnership will have 'Environmental Care' as a priority for 2022/23, allocating funding towards local projects that improve the local environment, and people's attitudes towards it.



"I hope we can keep the momentum going. I shall look forward to reading their comments and ideas." – Councillor Blundell

Communicating clearly to you is vital. When asked, **45%** said social media, particularly Instagram, is the best way to share our messages. Check out our Youth Voice Instagram page @eastsoffolyouthvoice to see what's happening and how you can get involved in the future.



This term we would like to hear what practical solutions the young people can think of to solve the issues raised.

To be involved, follow the QR code and select Kesgrave, Rushmere St Andrew, Martlesham, Carlford and Fynn Valley under 'Have your Say'

"So far, our young people have had a significant impact on choosing our priorities and allocating around £25,000 to local projects. The feedback is always great, and as long as it keeps coming to us, we'll keep listening!"

- Communities Officer Andy Jolliffe