

AUTUMN 2022 YOUTH VOICE REPORT

Carlton Colville, Kessingland, Southwold & villages

In the Autumn term, we received responses from 11 to 14 year olds. Responses came from Carlton Colville, Mutford and Reydon. Having safe outdoor environments to be active came up strongly and we will share comments and ideas with the right people.

Thank you to those that put forward their views – and to all 11–25 year olds: please continue to share your opinions and solutions with Youth Voice! We really want to hear from you!

OUTDOOR GREEN SPACES

We were asked by Suffolk County Council's Public Health Team to find out more about the impact of green spaces and nature on young people. Some responses included:

- "Add some more 11 aside football goals"
- "Get out a bit more and try enjoy the fresh air instead of sitting in all day"
- "Get more parks and stuff"
- "Go to a park and do a sport"

OTHER THINGS THAT CAME UP

We also received comments about:

- Community working together to help older members of the community
- Town run like park run!
- Safer environments
- "Everyone getting what they need on mental health"



We will share your suggestions and comments with Suffolk County Council and councillors

LOCAL NEWS - SOUTHWOLD SKATEPARK

The Klondyke Community Group have reached their fundraising target for a new, permanent structure skatepark on the seafront in Southwold! Whilst raising the money, they have worked with the local community to come up with design options, in partnership with the Town Council. Thanks to the huge efforts of the group the project is now able to move to the next stage which is planning and preparing for tender. There is lots to do still but we're really hoping it can be built and ready for use before next winter

SCOUTS, CUBS & BEAVERS IN CARLTON COLVILLE

The Scouts, Cubs and Beavers have just moved into their new base in Carlton Colville. The Old Methodist Church on The Street has stood empty for several years but has a new lease of life with young people of all ages finding a home there. These groups offer children & young people the opportunity to explore activities they don't often find elsewhere, particularly outdoor & adventure. The groups give the chance to gain skills, take on responsibility & hang out with friends. In a time where mental health and stress are big factors for young people, this is invaluable.