



SPRING 2022 YOUTH VOICE REPORT

Melton, Woodbridge & Deben Peninsula



This term, Youth Voice asked the young people of the area what they like about where they live, and what needs to be improved. An excellent response from young people across the area this term means we are able to take the issues raised to the right people and seek solutions where possible.



53% of the responses related to infrastructure improvements.

Although we have limited influence over some of the issues raised, such as a lack of shops, there are some potential opportunities to work alongside partners to raise these issues and challenge them to take action. The young people surveyed also expressed concerns around amenities for older people, with some saying that curbs and cobbles down the Thoroughfare are not wheelchair friendly

Safety walking home from school, not enough pavements, and bad lighting in winter (especially in rural areas) were all concerns expressed this term. Students also noted the issue of walking to school 'through a cloud of vape smoke'.



Vaping when under 18, or selling vapes to under 18's, is illegal

PC Partridge says "Information can be reported anonymously about vapes via [CrimeStoppers 0800 555 111](https://www.crimestoppers.co.uk/) "

"Any information that would help us to target the correct businesses selling the vapes illegally would be much appreciated"

Did You Know?

Fearless is a site where you can access non-judgemental information and advice about crime and criminality

www.fearless.org/en

In an emergency, always call 999

28% of comments suggested improvements to young people's activities. Further exploration with students will be required to understand what the solution to 'lack of activities' means in practice and where those issues are most prevalent.

The Community Partnership has a priority focused on young people that they want to refine. They are calling for all young people in the area to help them with this by asking you what you think is important for young people's futures.

Follow the QR code and click 'Have your Say' selecting Melton, Woodbridge and Deben Peninsula. Deadline 30th June

