

29th August 2008.**Background**

MYPLACE is a chance for Stockton-on-Tees to bid for money to develop world class facilities for young people. Stockton Council in partnership with voluntary and community groups is working with young people to enable them to have their say and inform the MYPLACE bid.

Surveys have been issued to young people across the Borough and an on-line survey has been set up and is linked to Stockton's MYPLACE website which has been designed by young people.

The following information details the **topline results as at 29th August 2008**, the closing date for the survey is the 31st August 2008.

Summary

In total 624 surveys have been returned, the majority by people aged 13-15 (62%). Young people from Stockton have returned the majority of surveys (41%) and Ingleby Barwick the least (5%).

Topline Results

- 56% use youth facilities in the Borough and 53% of respondents are satisfied with the facilities.
- 53% think money should be spent on both building a new facility and upgrading existing facilities.

Top three answers given for 1st choice for new venue at 11th August 2008:

1. Central Stockton
2. Billingham
3. Thornaby

- 75% of young people would be happy to travel to a new venue.
- When asked how they get around during the day, evening and after dark, the majority of young people (66%) stated that they walk during the day and on an evening and get a lift after dark.

The top three activities that young people would like to do:

1. Sports
2. Music
3. Cooking

Top three guidance and advice options chosen by respondents:

1. Careers and jobs
2. Healthy living
3. Sexual health-C-Card services

The top three facilities that young people said they were most likely to use are:

1. Chill out area
2. Joint-Café and Games room
3. Internet access points

- 67% of young people are happy to pay for youth facilities and 61% would prefer to pay by session.

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Gender

At this point 52% of respondents are male and 48% female.

Age

14% of respondents are aged under 13, **62% are aged 13-15**, 20% are aged 16-18 and 3% are 19 and over.

Area

The majority (41%) of young people stated that they live in Stockton; Thornaby had the second highest response rate (30%) and Billingham third (16%).

Yarm and Eaglescliffe (9%) and **Ingleby (5%)** have lower response rates at this point.