

BATTERSEA SUMMER SCHEME ANNUAL SUMMARY 2019

Battersea Summer Scheme is the primary
project of Battersea Crime Prevention Panel



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WHAT WE DO

We give young people from disadvantaged backgrounds across Battersea and Balham the opportunity to have a great summer and make a positive difference in their lives throughout the year.

We do this by running the following programmes:

- Our ground-breaking annual Summer in the Park in Battersea Park
- Summer day trips & residentials
- Learning Opportunities including cookery, music, drama, sports & first aid workshops

In partnership with Wandsworth Council Youth Services and the Metropolitan Police, we work with youth clubs across Battersea & Balham to give young people access to our programmes.

A grant from the Panel ensures that all administrative costs of this project are met by the grant and that our independent fundraising is allocated 100% to our activities.

WHY WE DO IT

Violent crime is on the increase and last year knife crime was still the worst reported crime in London in over a decade.

Families across Battersea and Balham face daily struggles – overcrowding, unemployment and households lacking in amenities to name but a few. The areas that we work in feature severe deprivation with poor statistics for health, educational achievement and crime.

All these issues make life tough for children and young people locally.

We want to give these children & young people summer opportunities that they can go back to school and talk about. Our projects are not only fun but help to build confidence and resilience in our participants and ultimately will help them to achieve their full potential.





SUMMER IN THE PARK

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Summer in the Park, held again at the beginning of the long holidays kicked off our Summer programme in style. This includes as many sports as we can possibly organise along with other constructive and challenging activities to attract those who don't particularly enjoy sport. This is an open event, targeted at the local young as well as encouraging all Wandsworth Youth Clubs and Youth Groups to come along, take part and if they wish, to run an activity of their own. We also had the support of sub-contractors working at Battersea Power Station from Sir Robert McAlpine, Mace and HSS. Very mixed weather throughout the week kept us busy but we still had over 1,200 attendees coming along and trying something different.

The event gives local young people the opportunity to try out new activities with sports including tennis, boxing, archery and the climbing wall, as well as arts & crafts, music and drama. Many of the activities are run by a small army of volunteers aged from 10 to 80! Student sports coaches from local colleges and clubs gain their work experience hours by helping us.

As always throughout the week we had a very wide range of activities for people to do, as well as bike awareness workshops the school nurses team, Free2B, Natwest

Bank, The Family Information Service, Garg and his creepy crawlies and the Sky Birds of Prey team. The Guy Mascolo Football Charity ran the football. As well as the ever popular climbing wall, demolition ball, circus/trapeze skills we were very excited to have the most enormous skate board ramp, run by mainly world champions in their field and in conjunction with Michael Mapp, this really did provide something very new and exciting and thank you to Battersea United Charities for their financial support towards the cost.

The Wandsworth Volunteer Police Cadets as always helped us and this year, as well as our own team of young volunteers, we were also joined for the first time by The Military Preparation College who not only show cased what they do but helped us with our activities as well.

We were delighted to be able to welcome: Chief Superintendent Sally Benatar, South West BCU Commander (Boroughs of Kingston, Merton, Richmond, Wandsworth) Metropolitan Police Service and show her around the whole event and explain a bit more about what we do.

BAKE OFF

5 clubs involved



For the first time we held an interclub competition in the Park - The Great Battersea Bake Off! Five clubs took part, Providence House, Caius House, Carney's Community, St Peter's and Love to Learn who run out of Katherine Low Settlement. They were all set a series of different bakes from savoury to sweet and a showstopper cake. They had to present their entries and decorate the table to show their hard work off. The competition had a very high standard and Providence House came away with the overall win.

The Battersea WI very kindly sponsored the baking materials for the clubs and came along to help with the judging, thank you also to our other judges, Cllr Tony Belton and Cllr Melanie Hampton as well as Alex Baker from Battersea Power Station and of course The Mayor of Wandsworth, Cllr Jane Cooper JP who presented the prizes. The afternoon was completed by the youth clubs being joined by the Older people's group from Katherine Low who enjoyed a tea of wonderful cakes. A first for us having an inter-generational afternoon of activities.

“ We didn't win The Great Battersea Bake Off but it's the taking part that counts (& the cake – yummy!) ”



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We pay for all transport costs and subsidise the entry fees to the venues as much as possible. Every trip has a hidden educational element. They go to adventure sites where they take part in challenging activities or just to the seaside. Simple but an education if you have never seen the sea or paddled in the waves. These trips enable the youth clubs and youth groups to have days away from their clubs and give their young people a day to remember.

In 2019 the young people embraced the outdoor adventure sites, where, apart from getting dirty and exhausted. They develop their initiative, leadership and team building skills. Some groups went to theme parks, usually as a reward for completing a course with their youth club. A huge thanks also to GoApe who gave us free places on their spectacular tree top rope courses.



"Thank you for arranging the trip to Southend! It was great to be able to go away as a family and even better to meet others in the community. We would not have been able to afford it by ourselves."

"Liquid Leisure was so fun, we got to race against each other and swim in the lake. It was cool to be out of the city"



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We aim to send as many young people as possible on Residential Courses. Those selected are considered to be at risk and are often disengaged from the educational system. The courses include sailing trips along the south coast or to the Channel Islands, trips to a farm in Devon or Berkshire, as well as to a wide range of outward-bound type centres. The activities also include abseiling, gorge scrambling, hiking, mountain biking and camping. Evening workshops are held to discuss pertinent issues such as knife crime, sexual or domestic abuse etc. These courses help the young people to develop better life skills and improve self-esteem. They learn to work as a team, bond with their contemporaries, staff members, while being stretched both mentally and physically.

For most, it is the first time away from home and this teaches a new approach to challenges with a positive outlook and fosters the ability to develop and sustain effective relationships. They learn to work as a team, bond with their contemporaries and staff members, stretching them both mentally and physically. They learn to approach new challenges with a positive outlook and fosters the ability to develop and sustain effective relationships.



// We ran, jumped, paddled, navigated, sailed, climbed, built and more. It's fair to say everyone slept very well at the end of the day! //





BATTERSEA SUMMER SCHEME SUMMARY ACCOUNTS

Below is a summary of our accounts - they show just how hard we need to work to raise funds.

	2016 - 2017	2017 - 2018	2018 – 2019	2019 – 2020
Income				
Bank Interest	239	0	0	0
100 Club	1,428	612	660	0
Sport In Park	8,278	35,668	15,079	9,548
Trips Income	27,380	32,325	36,501	23,629
Trust Donation~	10,629	6,950	13,050	9,500
Corporate Donation~	1,477	1,540	5,732	1,158
Public Donation#	25,713	36,332	52,560	46,013
Gift Aid	5,535	4,374	6,394	9,544
BCPP	26,000	32,000	33,500	32,000
Total Income	101,466	149,801	166,476	131,392
Expense Categories				
100 Club Prizes	395	220	230	0
Sport in Park Costs	35,997	42,189	32,430	40,797
Day Trips	* 51,338	58,226	37,589	43,044
Residential Trips	17,320	23,286	35,719	31,105
General Office	7,953	6,886	7,674	7,269
Salaries	24,619	25,098	26,242	27,364
Total Expense	137,622	155,905	139,84	149,579
Income less Expenditure	-30,943	-6,104	26,592	-18,187

NOTES

The figures quoted are an overview of our income and expenditure.

A full copy of the accounts is available on request from the office.

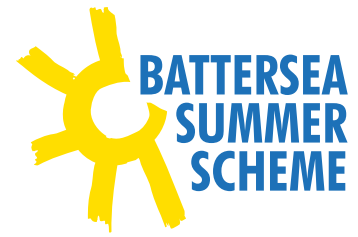
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~ Excludes ring fenced donations towards specific projects

* Includes debt of £4,055 from 4Children

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

In 2019 we attended Falcon Road Festival, Battersea Charities week and Happy Streets at Nine Elms , where we promoted our projects and the wider work of Battersea Crime Prevention Panel.



FINANCIAL SUPPORT

We are extremely grateful to all our individual donors, the charitable organisations and businesses who respond to our appeal letters and applications thereby enabling us to run all the activities in this report.

After some careful budgeting in 2018 – 2019 we were in the black but we knowingly had to dip into our reserves once again last year in order to provide a full programme of activities.

If you would like to support us financially, please go to our website and follow the links to Total Giving or send us a cheque and confirm whether we can claim Gift Aid on your donation.

We can also take donations over the phone!

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VOLUNTEERING

We would not be able to manage without our team of Volunteers we are so grateful for their help and support. We simply cannot thank them often enough.

We prepared over 600 letters to our existing donors, as well as delivering our appeal to some 5,000 Battersea and Balham households.

Summer in the Park is supported by an army of volunteers aged from 11 to 85! We have an ever increasing pool of young volunteers, who help us to run the event, all who can put it on their CVs including one who used it for her gold D of E.

If you feel you would like to help us going forward, we would really love to hear from you.

WHAT IT COSTS US TO RUN



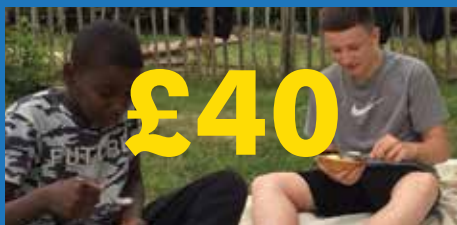
£20

pays for one child to try lots of activities at Summer in the Park in Battersea Park.



£25

pays for one child to go on a fun filled day trip.



£40

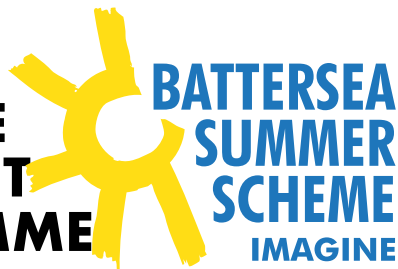
pays for one child to gain a new skill at a workshop.



£350

pays for one child to go on a residential and try outward-bound activities.

WHAT THEY'RE SAYING ABOUT THE PROGRAMME



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CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE

I am so happy here. This is the first time I have felt relaxed since I arrived in England. Can I stay over night?
Samira, on our farm trip

This summer was sooo live (Fun)! I loved the drama workshop it was jokes! To be honest, I wasn't sure about it, I thought it was going to be dead (rubbish) but it was actually fun. We got to create our own stories, the characters, act and direct! It got to some people's head though haha.

Boy aged 15

- reflections over the summer

PARENTS

Thank you for the work you do with my boy. It's not just my efforts, it takes a community and all that jazz, Family. Mentors etc. My son has been fortunate to have a good network around him. I have noticed the difference!

YOUTH WORKERS

Battersea Summer Scheme give our young people opportunities to have a wide range of adventures and things to look forward to through the summer months. These opportunities challenge our young people and help to build their confidence and resilience. The summer holiday is not an easy time to be a young person around here but Battersea Summer Scheme's programme makes a real difference.



You can donate online at:
batterseasummerscheme.org.uk

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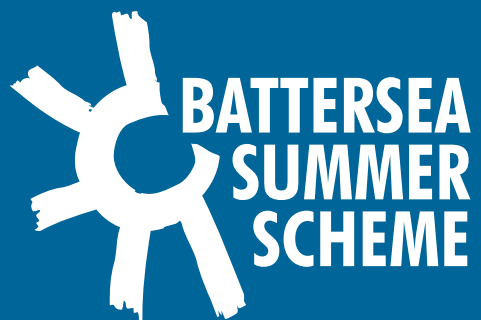
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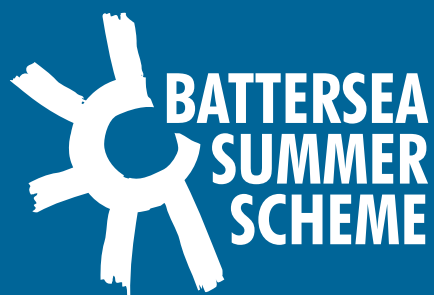
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mostly being inside with nothing to do

This is “normal life” for many of the young people in our neighbourhood

**TOGETHER WE
CAN CHANGE THIS.**





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