

# **BATTERSEA SUMMER SCHEME ANNUAL SUMMARY 2020**

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





## SUMMER IN THE PARK

Sadly, we had to cancel Summer in the Park in 2020 but fortunately we made the decision quite early on so there were no financial implications in taking this decision. This year, it may be held in a different format due to restrictions but we want to continue the idea of young people being introduced to a variety of sports and activities. Obviously, we will need to allow for social distancing and ensure we are working within the government guidelines in place at the time.

## TRIPS AND ACTIVITIES

With the guidelines changing almost weekly it was very difficult to make plans for trips and activities. Many of the Clubs focused on one-to-one mentoring for those young people most in need. There were also a lot of keep fit type activities utilising the open spaces adjacent to the clubs. We were however still able to run some outings and these included:

- Two residential trips to a farm in Devon
- Weekly sports days at Trinity Fields
- Family trips to Battersea Zoo
- GoApe adventures in Battersea Park – these tickets were kindly donated by GoApe
- Arts & Crafts days
- Pitch and Putt in the Park
- Rocket Boat trips up the Thames
- Small group trips to Adventure Island – we bulk bought tickets which have been kindly rolled over for this year.
- Ongoing support for a Football programme



Over the last year, we have been working closely with the Youth Clubs helping to support the vulnerable young people in our Borough to run some restricted activities. Against the odds some trips took place and we know these were gratefully received. We are really hopeful that our programme will resume to near normal this coming summer.





**A competition along the lines of the Great British Bake Off - the Battersea Bake Off.** The Clubs went to a farm in Kent to pick strawberries. There was also a maize Maze which they all enjoyed running around finding clues associated with dinosaurs! On returning to the Clubs, they were then required to make jam and then using this jam do a bake of their choice. They produced Victoria sponges, tarts and biscuits. The Clubs were asked to video everything they did and these videos were then judged by the Mayor of Wandsworth, Cllr Jane Cooper. The winner was FAST Youth Club who produced some fantastic bakes!

## THE GREAT BATTERSEA BAKE OFF



## YOUTH-BATTERSEA

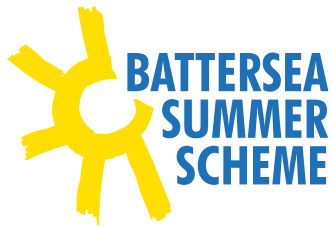


There is a new collaboration in the Borough between the Youth Clubs called 'Youth-Battersea' which we are also supporting. This is a great gateway for Young People to find out what is available for them in the Borough –

**[www.youth-battersea.co.uk](http://www.youth-battersea.co.uk)**. The site was created to inform people about the amazing amount of work that is being carried out by organisations in Battersea. Try something new, join a club or enhance your current skills - but above all have fun!







**Battersea Summer Scheme, established in 1992**, is a successful youth empowerment programme and the principal project of Battersea Crime Prevention Panel, BCPP. We aim to 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 summer and for their future. We do this by running the following programmes:

- Our annual ground-breaking Summer in the Park in Battersea Park
- Summer Day Trips
- Summer Residentials
- Learning opportunities including cookery, music, drama, sports and other 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.

## WHY WE DO IT

Sandwiched amongst areas of extreme wealth, our local housing estates suffer from severe deprivation. There is a long history of violence and anti-social behaviour amongst the young people with an increase in overall crime and a notable upsurge in violent crime over the past three years.

Families across the Borough face daily struggles – overcrowding, unemployment, poverty and

## WHAT WE DO



households lacking in basic amenities which has only been made worse due to Covid-19. The local statistics relating to young people show poor educational achievement and poor health, a lack of self-esteem and missing core values.

We want to give these children and young people summer opportunities to inspire them, build their confidence and resilience and so help them to achieve their full potential.

*“Despite Covid-19, Battersea Summer Scheme have continued to support us to do creative, fun and safe activities over the summer holidays. This was needed even more so than usual to keep our young people busy and having some fun after being locked down for so long.”*

# 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.

In light of the many months the young people were unable to be at school, unable to be with their friends, the mental health and wellbeing of the young people of Battersea is at the forefront of our minds. We want to ensure that every young person in the clubs we work with has the

opportunity to take part in an activity / day trip or residential trip to make up for the lack of activities this last year. We would be grateful if you would consider supporting us to ensure we can keep our promises to the clubs so enabling us to expand our summer programme. We need to accommodate social distancing and put in place secure measures whilst allowing the young people to regain some valuable support and mentoring whilst having fun.

If you would like to support us, please go to our website and follow the links to Total Giving and PLEASE if you can tick the Gift Aid box.

We can also take donations over the phone or you can send us a cheque:

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Summary Accounts for Battersea Summer Scheme				
	2017 - 2018	2018 - 2019	2019 – 2020	2020 – 2021
<b>Income</b>				
Bank Interest	0	0	0	0
100 Club	612	660	0	0
Sport In Park	35,668	15,079	9,548	5,000
Trips Income	32,325	36,501	19,554	0
Trust Donation~	6,950	13,050	9,750	9,750
Corporate Donation~	1,540	5,732	1,158	1,006
Public Donation	36,332	# 52,560	39,123	47,302
Gift Aid	4,374	6,394	9,550	10,360
BCPP	32,000	33,500	34,000	34,000
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>149,801</b>	<b>166,476</b>	<b>122,683</b>	<b>107,418</b>
<b>Expense Categories</b>				
100 Club Prizes	220	230	0	0
Sport in Park Costs	42,189	32,430	42,013	0
Day Trips	58,226	37,589	44,544	5,251
Residential Trips	23,286	35,719	29,605	1,624
General Office	6,886	7,674	7,289	6,269
Salaries inc HMRC & Pension	25,098	26,242	26,975	27,116
<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>155,905</b>	<b>139,84</b>	<b>150,426</b>	<b>40,260</b>
<b>Income less Expenditure</b>	<b>-6,104</b>	<b>26,592</b>	<b>-27,743</b>	<b>67,158</b>

## 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.

# Includes a one off bequeath of £10,000

~ Excludes ring fenced donations towards specific projects

## IMPACT OF COVID-19

We had to severely reduce the number of activities that we were able to run due to Covid restrictions. You will have seen that a small number of activities did take place. Over the past year regular contact was made with the Youth Clubs to ensure that we could support them as fully as possible.

We normally receive a grant from the Panel to ensure that all administrative costs are covered and therefore that 100% of our fundraising is allocated to our activities. This year, the Panel were not able to hold its main fundraising event – The Battersea Ball due to Covid restrictions. As a result, the Trustees have been forced to make the decision that as from April 2021 their contribution to Battersea Summer Scheme has to be cut back, which means we may have to spend

up to 10% of any donation made to Battersea Summer Scheme from April 2021 on our administrative costs. We hope this will be temporary until the Ball fundraiser can resume next December.

Looking forward to this summer, we are hopeful that a full programme of activities will be able to take place whilst of course working within any restrictions that may still be in place. We anticipate that there will be more outings but with smaller numbers of young people attending each outing. This will by its very nature increase the transport costs, but we are determined that all our Young People in the Borough will have the opportunity to have a fun, exciting and sensational summer!

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

Please if you feel able to help us going forward, we would really love to hear from you.

## VOLUNTEERING

## WHAT THEY SAY!!

"Once again this year we were supported to take two groups of 10 young people to Go Ape Battersea. Thank you Battersea Summer Scheme." "Go Ape is so cool, it was high but I wasn't scared. Can I go again?"

"This was a new and very exciting trip involving a speed boat experience along the river Thames with Thames Rocket. High speed, historical facts and some James Bond music and a smile on every face." "That was fast, I am really glad I did it. I never knew that building was called the Gherkin but now it makes sense."

"We were able to form a bubble of girls from years 10 and 11 especially in need of a break from city life and a chance to de-stress away from it all. We combined this trip with vision boarding and a trip to the beach to make a real retreat holiday which brought both relaxation and focus to get ready for life back at home." "This trip saved my life. I was going crazy at home and now I am less anxious about starting college in September. The farm was amazing and us girls really bonded."

"We enjoyed getting involved with the Battersea Bake off and taking a group of young people to do fruit picking at Lower Ladyden's farm. Followed by an opportunity to make jam and cakes!"





Don't forget that the Battersea Ball raises funds for Battersea Crime Prevention Panel which supports Battersea Summer Scheme's administrative costs. So, watch out for when tickets go on sale and come and support us at probably the

## **BEST CHARITY BALL IN BATTERSEA!!!**

This year the Ball will be on

**WEDNESDAY 15th DECEMBER 2021**

so put it in your diary now! Tickets will be on sale from September so check the website for more information.



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never going away

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you have never left London

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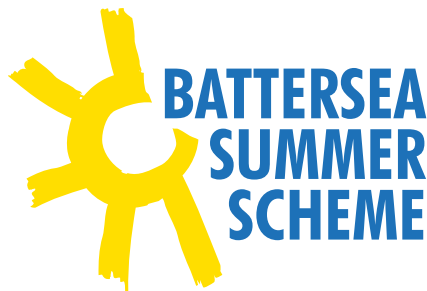
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mostly being inside with nothing to do

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

**TOGETHER WE  
CAN CHANGE THIS.**



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