



# ANNUAL REPORT 2025



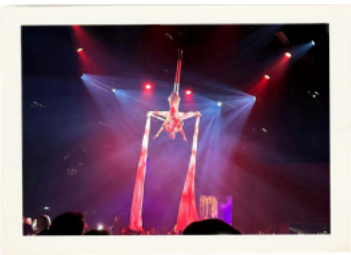
## SUMMER SUNSHINE!

Find out how your donations help us provide a summer of activities, challenges and fun for young people in Battersea & Balham.



## BATTERSEA BALL 2025

What a night!! We certainly know how to party!! Information on this year's event inside.....



## HOW CAN YOU HELP US?

Thank you is never enough for all our amazing volunteers and supporters.....



## WHAT WE DO AND WHY

Battersea Summer Scheme is the primary project of Battersea Crime Prevention Panel. The Charity's aim is to make Wandsworth a better and safer place to live, work and play. Established for 40 years to benefit the local community, the Panel works with the Metropolitan Police local youth groups and the Council supporting projects across the Borough to help prevent Crime and all the associated problems. Battersea Summer Scheme receives a grant from the Panel to ensure that all administrative costs are covered and therefore 100% of our fundraising is allocated to our activities.

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making battersea a better place to live, work and play.

Battersea Crime Prevention Panel has been working with Wandsworth Council, the Metropolitan Police, local businesses, community groups and youth clubs for 40 years. We are supported entirely by voluntary donations.

If you are interested in getting involved with our work or would like more information please get in touch: [chair@bcpp.co.uk](mailto:chair@bcpp.co.uk)

## PANEL MEMBERS

The Panel meets quarterly and is made up of members of the general public, representatives from the Council and Police. We are always looking for new panel members so if you would like to be involved please contact: [chair@bcpp.co.uk](mailto:chair@bcpp.co.uk)

“As the SW BCU Commander for four Boroughs of which Wandsworth is one, I am delighted to have the Battersea Crime Prevention Panel, whose work is invaluable in supporting the community with a number of initiatives. I am grateful for all the work they do in supporting my teams in delivering for the communities across Battersea.” Chief Superintendent Dan Knowles



**Find us on:**





The summer was as always busy and fun packed with many day trip places and residential trips for young people in Battersea and Balham. We have had great feedback from the Youth Clubs and staff about how invaluable the summer programme is. The Big Play Out was again a huge success and for the third year we teamed up with Enable who run the Borough's open spaces and SMART Events who run Evolution London in Battersea Park. The week certainly gained a lot of interest with many more coming along than in previous years.



## THANK YOU .....

We cannot thank our young, corporate and community volunteers enough for all their support at the Big Play Out, we could not have managed without you. If you would be interested in joining us this year, please do get in touch: [bss@bcpp.co.uk](mailto:bss@bcpp.co.uk)



# BIG PLAY OUT



We joined forces again with Enable and Smart Events to bring the Big Play Out at the end of July. Reunited during the week with many of our old friends, the climbing wall, Airhedz circus skills, boxing, tae kwondo and of course Sky Birds. We added an incredible 90ft pot holing experience and the Wandsworth Youth bus joined us every day, to name but a few. An incredible week with nearly 10,000 people through the doors, a lot of hard work but it was fantastic.

Plans for this year's event will be published soon ... keep an eye out on our socials!



# DAY TRIP PLACES



**TRIPS & OUTINGS**

Our trips brought adventure to a whole new level! From adrenaline-filled rides at Gravity to a relaxing and scenic journey on the Uber Boat along the Thames, participants experienced excitement, teamwork, and unforgettable moments on land and water alike.

Working closely with local youth groups, Wandsworth Borough Council Youth Services & Young Offending Teams we aim to reach those most in need. This year we had over 1,500 day trip places to numerous destinations. As ever trips to the beach were very popular & enjoyed by all. For many this was a first. Adventure Island with its associated beach was again well visited. Other activities included outdoor challenge courses, water challenge venues, ice skating and more. Also GoApe in Battersea Park which was generously donated by them.

# RESIDENTIAL TRIPS

This year we had four residential trips in total. One to the farm in Devon, two trips to activity centres, one at Hindleap Warren the other at Woodrow. Then a group to an adventure centre in Snowdonia, Wales which was very challenging. For many this is their first time away from home and it is a great opportunity to boost their confidence and interact positively with both peers and mentors. They take on challenging activities which broaden their horizons and develop their independence and confidence.



# WHAT IT ALL COSTS 2024 - 2025



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

The mental health and wellbeing of the young people of Battersea and Balham 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.

Your continued support would ensure we can keep our promises to the clubs, we can keep on expanding our summer programme and help the young people to gain some valuable support and mentoring. It is all about having fun and learning new skills and enabling them to make better life choices.

To support us, please go to our website and follow the links to Total Giving or scan the QR code below and PLEASE if you can tick the Gift Aid box.

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Or you can send us a cheque with the enclosed form:

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In 2025 we sent 1,500 young people on day trips to over 20 venues. The cost to us was £25,156, meaning an average of £17 per young person which included the cost of transport to and from the venues. Although this is less than last year, due to staff shortages and the current economic climate, this was still a full and busy programme. There were four residential at a cost of £20,760 working out at £260 per young person which included full board and lodgings but not the transport costs. There were art workshops running throughout the summer at a total cost of £6,364. The Big Play Out cost £23,549 for the five days helping to provide activities to nearly 10,000 people.

## THESE ACTIVITIES ONLY TAKE PLACE BECAUSE OF YOUR GENEROSITY

We intend to run all these activities again this summer. The purpose of Battersea Summer Scheme is to keep young people occupied over the long summer months with constructive and fun activities. Much of what we do is facilitated by volunteers without whom many of our activities would not happen. So, please, if you can, help us to deliver our programme by donating and / or volunteering we would be so grateful. If your are writing your Will, please consider including a gift to us, we have been around for over 30 years and fully intend to be around for at least the next 30 years. Thank you.

**THE BOTTOM LINE IS, THAT WITHOUT YOUR HELP NONE OF THIS WOULD HAPPEN!!**



# THANK YOU TO OUR VOLUNTEERS

The Big Play out would not be possible without the amazing volunteers who come and help us. We are incredibly proud of our younger volunteers (aged 14-17) who are with us every day. This year we also had groups who came from Katherine Low Settlement who were fantastic and we were joined by a team from Royal Sun Alliance, thank you to all. We are also eternally grateful to Battersea Power Station Development Company, who support us with volunteers, usually at very short notice, as well as printing all of our art material. If you would like to volunteer with us, know a young person who might or if your company would like to get involved, please get in touch.



We have many different roles through out the year that we would love your help with. If you enjoy walking can you help with delivering letters? (Battersea and Balham areas). Can you face paint? Or enjoy art? Please do get in touch- we would love to hear from you if you are looking for a volunteering opportunity - email [bss@bcpp.co.uk](mailto:bss@bcpp.co.uk) for more information.



Would you like to join the Battersea Ball committee? We are looking for people to help us not only during the year helping plan this incredible night but also on the day/night with a variety of different roles available - we would love to hear from you. Please email: [ball@bcpp.co.uk](mailto:ball@bcpp.co.uk) and we can give you more information.



# BATTERSEA BALL 2025



The now famous Battersea Ball, our main fundraising event for both the Charity and Battersea Summer Scheme, was held at Evolution in Battersea Park. With an 'New York' theme. It was a huge success with hundreds of local people dressed up in their finery to celebrate all that is great about the community in Battersea. They were also in a generous party mood and raised an amazing £67,000 for the charity.



The evening cannot happen without a dedicated team of committee members who work tirelessly throughout the year to make it a success. Thank you also to the incredible team who joined us this year from Apple on the evening and volunteered for us along with all the amazing volunteers through Youth Battersea and others who joined us on the night. The evening would simply not happen at all without the support of Greg Lawson and his team at Smart along with all those who kindly donated all the prizes for the various fundraising activities on the night. Thanks must also go to Addison Gelpy, as always his energy in the live auction is incredible.



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SAVE  
THE  
DATE

**THIS YEAR'S BATTERSEA BALL  
WILL BE ON  
SATURDAY 28<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2026  
DETAILS TO BE CONFIRMED SOON**

## COMMITTEE MEMBERS, SPONSORS & VOLUNTEERS

Want to join us? Interested in a sponsorship package? Can you donate a prize? Happy to volunteer?

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