



“HAVE YOUR SAY”

KCETB Young People's Survey

Urlingford & Johnstown 2024



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Your Place Your Space - UBU Scheme



UBU Your Place Your Space is a funding scheme which provides local services for young people.

UBU Your Place Your Space was developed in line with recommendations from the Value for Money and Policy Review of Youth Programmes (2014) through the previous Department of Children and Youth Affairs (DCYA) which is now the DCEDIY. A series of recommendations were made concerning the redevelopment of a new scheme to replace the existing four schemes

UBU Your Place Your Space aligns with the *Better Outcomes, Brighter Futures National Policy Framework, the National Strategy on Children and Young People's Participation in Decision-Making, and the LGBTI+ and National Youth Strategies.*

Mission

To provide out-of-school support to young people in their local communities to enable them to overcome adverse circumstances and achieve their full potential by improving their personal and social development outcomes.

Vision

All young people are enabled to realise their maximum potential, by respecting their rights and hearing their voices, while protecting and supporting them as they transition from childhood to adulthood.

Values

- Young people are free to participate in a wide range of quality activities
- Provision is rights-based and young person-centred
- Empowering young people to reach their full potential
- Relationship building
- There is clarity of purpose
- Projects are maximised by promoting efficiency and effectiveness

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YOUNG PEOPLE'S SURVEY

In November 2024, a survey was created for young people and issued to schools, youth organisations and youth clubs, statutory agencies and other related services in Urlingford and Johnstown to identify the needs of young people. DCEDIY have announced they will fund 10 new UBU services in 2025. The process for application is not yet known. However, KCETB want to ensure that we are ready to submit an application should the opportunity arise.

Young people were invited to complete the survey and in total 86 responses were received. In some instances, responses will not add up to one hundred percent as respondents could choose multiple answers to some questions in the survey.

An analysis of the responses is provided in this report with the full survey questions available as an appendix.



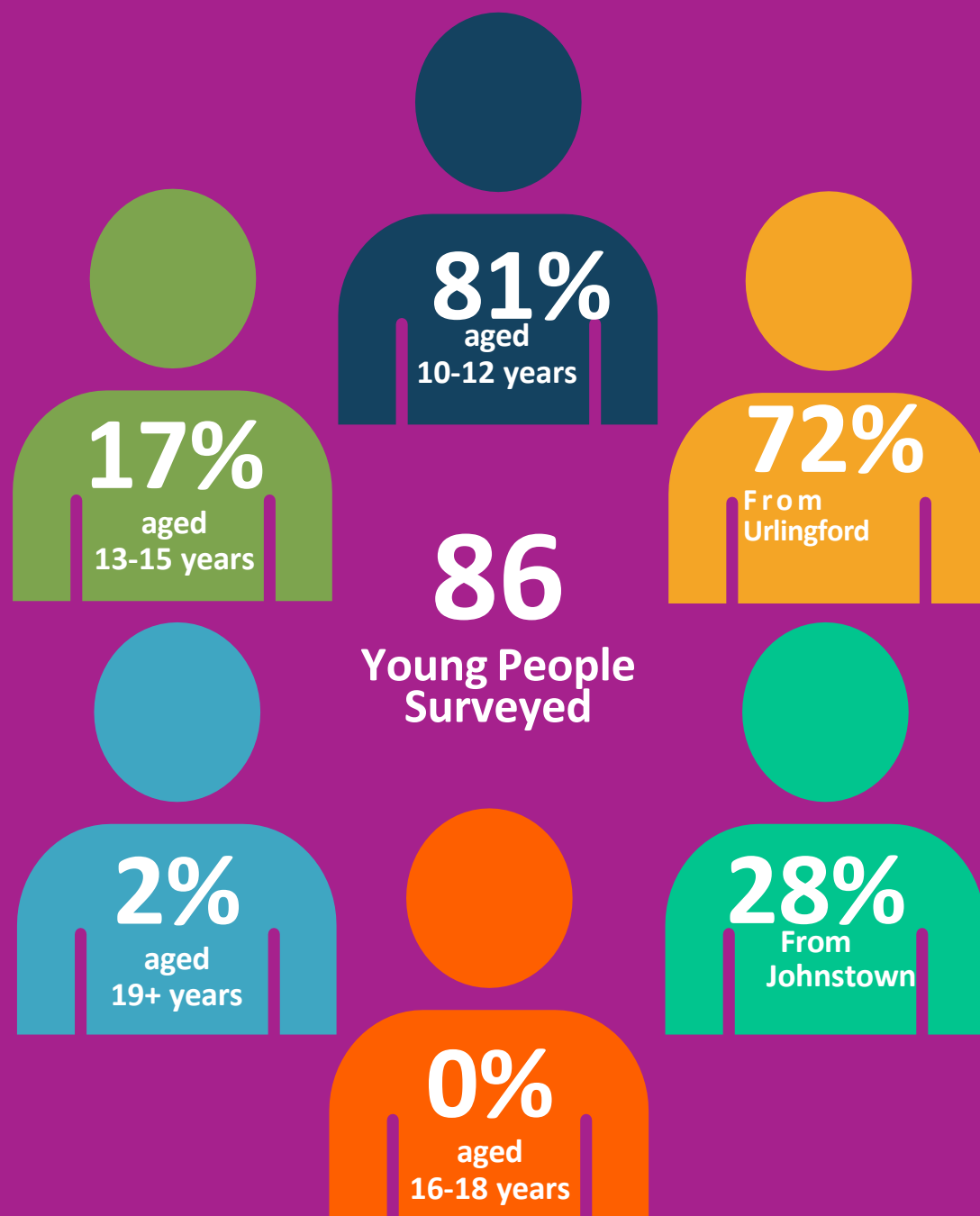
Young People's Survey

Better Outcomes Brighter Futures is the first National Policy Framework for Children and Young People which sets out five national outcomes for children and young people. A series of questions were asked of those consulted regarding this policy.

Consultation with Young People In 2024

KCETB carried out a survey with 86 young people aged 10-24 years in Urlingford & Johnstown and the findings are as follows.

Urlingford & Johnstown Young people aged 10-24



Outcome 1:

Active and healthy with physical and mental well-being



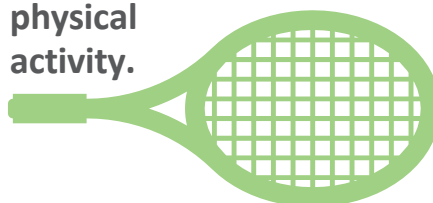
3%

of young people surveyed are involved with **local youth organisations**.



78%

of young people surveyed take part in **sports/physical activity**.



19%

of young people surveyed **do not engage** in any activities outside of school.



8%

of young people surveyed are involved in a **youth club**.



Young people cited the following reasons for not engaging in any activities outside of school.



7%

transport issues



31%

No Interest



5%

school commitments



Outcome 1:

Active and healthy with physical and mental well-being



84%

of young people said that they have an adult in their lives that they can **talk** to and get **support** when needed.



20%

of young people are most worried about their **appearance**.



20%

of young people said they are most worried about their **mental wellbeing**.



46%

of young people said having a **friend to talk** to would help with their worries.

26%

of young people said being **listened to** would help with their worries



Outcome 1:

Active and healthy with physical and mental well-being



24%

of young people said having something **positive** to do would help them with their worries.



33%

of young people said that their **physical health could be better**.



33%

of young people said that their **mental and emotional health** could be better.



74%

of young people said they feel **happy and satisfied** with their lives.



25%

of young people said they are not sure if they **feel happy** and satisfied with their lives

Outcome 2:

Achieving full potential in all areas of learning and development

37% 

of young people said they are **unsure** about their **future opportunities** to complete their leaving cert and progress onwards.



60%

of young people feel that they have **opportunities** to complete their leaving certificate and **progress onward** to further education, employment and training.

43%

of young people said they are **worried** about **school and exam pressure**.

3% 

of young people said they feel they **do not have opportunities** to complete their leaving certificate and progress onwards.



Outcome 3:

Safe and protected from harm



92%

of young people
said that they
**feel safe in their
homes.**



2%

of young people said
that they **do not feel
safe** in their homes.



78%

of young people said
that they **feel safe
in their school and
community.**



4%

of young people
said they **do
not feel safe** in
their school and
community.

Outcome 4:

Have economic security
and opportunity

56%

of young people
agree that they feel
**positive about their
future.**



42%

of young people
are unsure if they
feel **positive about
their future.**

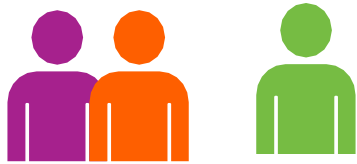
2%

of young people
said that they do
**not feel positive
about their future**



Outcome 5:

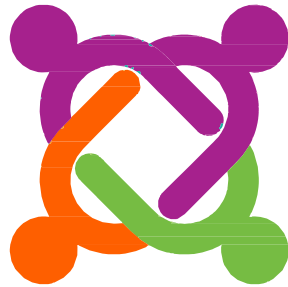
Connected, respected and contributing to their world



35%

of young people

said, that they felt **left out, isolated or discriminated against.**



49%

of young people said that they feel **valued, respected and listened to in their community.**

9%



said that they do not feel **valued, respected and listened to in their community.**

42%

of young people were **unsure** if they felt **valued, respected and listened to in their community.**



43%

of young people said that they feel **valued, respected and listened to by their peers.**

69%



of young people said that they feel **valued, respected and listened to by the adults in their lives.**



5%

of young people don't feel **valued, respected and listened to by their peers.**



1%

of young people do not feel **valued, respected and listened to by the adults in their lives.**



CONCLUSION

KCETB would like to thank the people for taking the time to participate in the survey and face to face consultation.

Responses Overview Closed

Responses

86

Average Time

05:51

Duration

16 Days

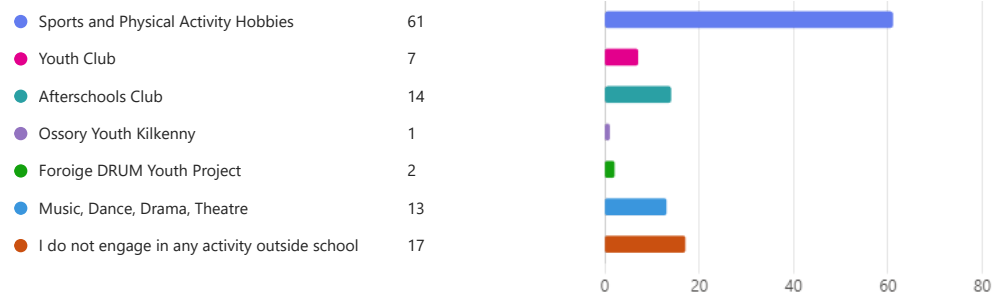
1. How old are you?



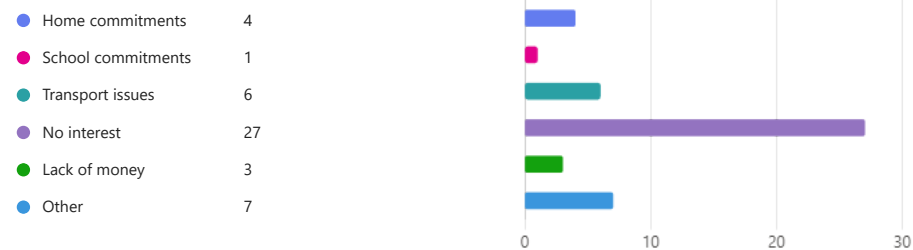
2. What area do you live in?



3. Please tick if you take part in any of the following:

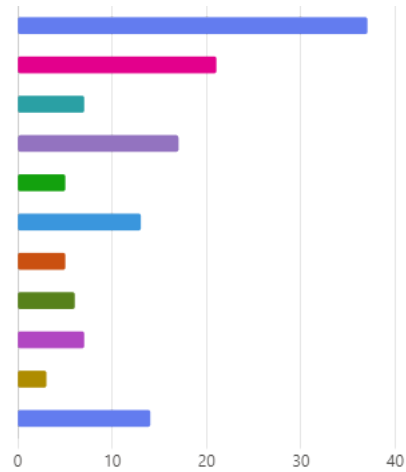


4. If you do not engage in any activities outside school, what are the reasons for this?



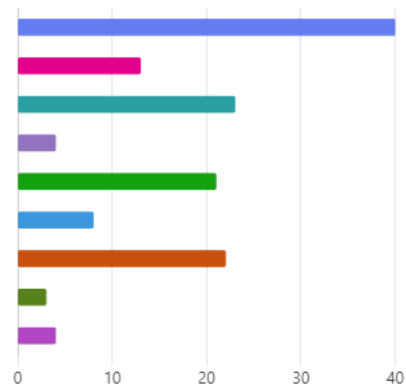
5. What are you most worried about today?

School and Exam Pressure	37
Future Plans	21
Being popular	7
My appearance	17
Intimate relationships	5
My mental health	13
My home life	5
Not having enough money	6
Feeling safe in my community	7
Feeling safe online	3
Other	14



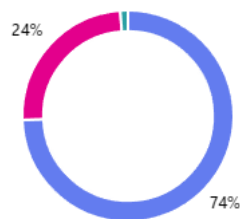
6. What would help you with your worries?

Having a friend to talk to	40
Having a trusted adult (outside family) to talk to	13
Having a supportive family	23
Having a youth friendly safe space to go to	4
Having something positive to do outside school hours	21
Counselling and wellbeing support service	8
Being listened to	22
Building up my resilience	3
Other	4



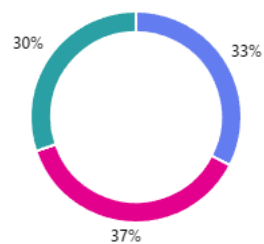
7. In general, I feel happy and satisfied with my life

Agree	64
Not sure	21
Disagree	1



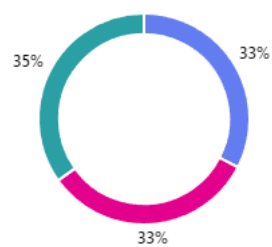
8. I feel that my mental and emotional health could be better

● Agree	28
● Not sure	32
● Disagree	26



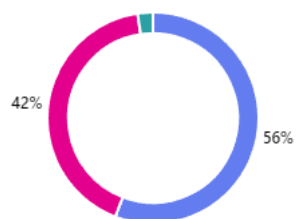
9. I feel that my physical health could be better

● Agree	28
● Not sure	28
● Disagree	30



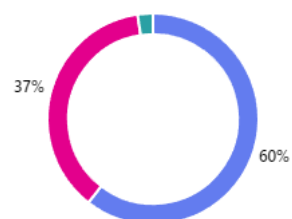
10. In general, I feel positive about my future

● Agree	48
● Not sure	36
● Disagree	2



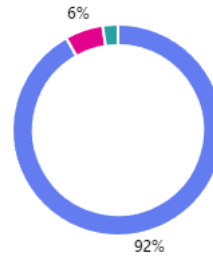
11. I feel I have opportunities to complete my Leaving Cert and progress onwards to further education, employment and training and/or higher education

● Agree	52
● Not sure	32
● Disagree	2



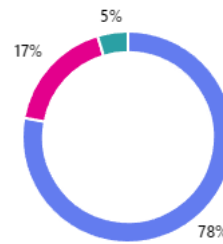
12. I feel safe in my home

● Agree	79
● Not sure	5
● Disagree	2



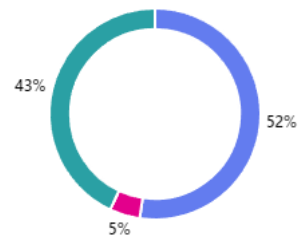
13. I feel safe in my school and community

● Agree	67
● Not sure	15
● Disagree	4



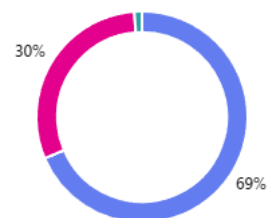
14. I feel I am valued, respected and listened to by my peers

● Not sure	45
● Disagree	4
● Agree	37



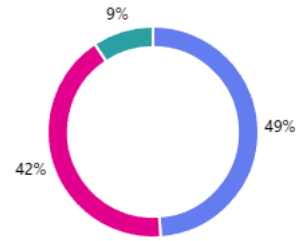
15. I feel I am valued, respected and listened to by the adults in my life

● Agree	59
● Not sure	26
● Disagree	1



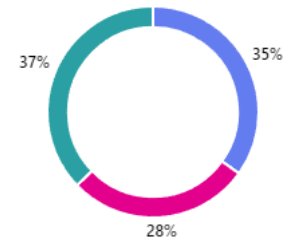
16. I feel I am valued, respected and listened to in my community

● Agree	42
● Not sure	36
● Disagree	8



17. At times, I feel left out, isolated or discriminated against

● Agree	30
● Not sure	24
● Disagree	32



18. I have an adult in my life that I can talk to and get support when I need it

● Agree	72
● Not sure	11
● Disagree	3

