



British Youth Council
Annual Review 2009 / 2010



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British Youth Council: Who we are



The British Youth Council (BYC) is an independent charity led and governed by young people to empower others to have a say and be heard. As the national youth council of the UK we bring together a unique coalition of young people, aged 25 and under, through our member organisations and youth council network.

We give young people, wherever they're from, opportunities and support to inform, influence and take part in decisions - locally, nationally and internationally. BYC ensures that young people are recognised for the positive contributions they make to society and that their voices are heard by the people who matter.

In 2009/10, we have taken further steps on the road to achieving BYC's vision and mission, through inspiring and empowering young people to get involved as campaigners, volunteers, decision-makers and leaders, and to engage with democracy. To support and develop young people's skills we have provided training and

volunteering opportunities, so that they can get their views across and get active. We have been working hard to tap into the views of young people from across the UK, to raise their concerns with elected representatives, and campaign on the issues that matter to them.

This annual review aims to demonstrate not only how BYC has developed to be a leading champion of children and young people's participation, but also to show how young people from a broad cross section of society have succeeded in making a difference to their own lives and the communities in which they live



Our Vision

A world where young people are respected and able to influence and inform decisions that affect their lives or on which they have strong opinions.

Our Mission

The British Youth Council, as the national youth council of the UK, aims to connect with our member organisations and networks of local youth councils, to empower young people aged 25 and under, wherever they are from, to have a say and be heard. We aim to help them to participate in decisions that affect them; have a voice and campaign on issues they believe in, inspire them to have a positive impact, and gain recognition for their positive contribution to communities, society and the world.

Our Values

- ▶ **Participation and Empowerment**
We believe all young people have the right to participate in decisions affecting their lives and issues they believe in, locally, nationally and internationally.
- ▶ **Equality**
We value and promote equality among young people, and all young people in our membership are valued equally.
- ▶ **Diversity**
We recognise that young people are diverse, with different needs and opinions, and we believe that this is to be recognised and celebrated.
- ▶ **Recognition**
We believe that young people should be recognised for their positive contribution to society and their place as citizens, now and in the future.

BYC aims to

- ▶ Provide a voice for young people;
- ▶ Promote equality for young people;
- ▶ Help young people be more involved in decisions that affect their lives;
- ▶ Advance young people's participation in society and civil life.



Message from the BYC Chair



2009/10 has been another extraordinary year of growth and success for BYC.

We have exceeded a million pounds in turnover for the second year running. Our membership, activities, opportunities and profile have all increased, and we have topped this by winning an award for our documentary – Some Truth About Youth* which scooped the “Best Broadcast Produced By Young People”, Positive Images Award. This film features interviews from successful young campaigners from the last 60 years which celebrates the “truth” that young people can make a difference and inspire others to do the same. More and more young people are getting active and we estimate that over 19,800 are participating in their local youth councils, forums panels, and parliaments, campaigning, empowering and inspiring their peers. We also believe that nearly one million children and young people have taken part in peer elections.

But this growth in our work is against a backdrop of concern for the future when a change of Government and reduced public sector income heralds a fresh set of challenges for young people and charities like BYC. So we have increased our campaigning capacity, most noticeably in the run up to the general election, and increased our reserves in anticipation of a drop in income for charities working in the public sector.

During the year we also held a strategic review, consulting 400 stakeholders and developing a new three year-strategy for 2010-2013 which focuses on sustainability, empowerment, membership, visibility, credibility and partnership.

I believe these strategic goals will prove to be sound foundations for our future security as a charity which has the potential to grow its membership and influence even more.

If you are reading this and are not a member and want to be – get in touch, as the more of us there are, the louder our young voices will be: **Stronger together.**

Alex Delaney
BYC Chair 2009-10

Alex Delaney

Serving our members

The British Youth Council (BYC) is led and governed by young people to empower others aged 25 and under to have a say and be heard.

A unique coalition of young people is formed by our member organisations and youth council network, which we represent as the national youth council of the UK.

BYC has a diverse membership, including well known organisations such as the National Union of Students, Girlguiding UK and The Scout Association, as well as faith and trade

union based organisations, and groups that represent the views of lesbian, gay and bisexual, black and minority ethnic young people. BYC also supports a network of over **620** local youth councils across the UK.

BYC member organisations and young people play a significant role in shaping the work of BYC, through consultations, online polls, debating at our annual Conventions and Annual Council Meetings and by electing young people between the ages of 16-25 to our board.

Highlights of BYC membership involvement in 2009/10:

BYC hosted five devolved Conventions in Belfast, Leeds, Edinburgh, Swansea and London, attended by **250** young people

from over **45** member organisations. The young people were given the opportunity to propose, debate and vote on new campaigning areas for BYC.

19 member organisations attended the BYC Annual Council Meeting in London on the 5th Sept 2009. The **85** young people who attended debated BYC's priority campaigns for the coming year and elected BYC's new trustees and Honorary Presidents.

Five member organisations attended the BYC National Members' Day and helped BYC prioritise member services for the coming year.

Over **60** member organisations benefited from subsidised BYC training and events in 09/10.

200 young people and their supporters from BYC's membership marched on Westminster and attended the BYC Election Manifesto Launch and Rally with MPs.

What our members say

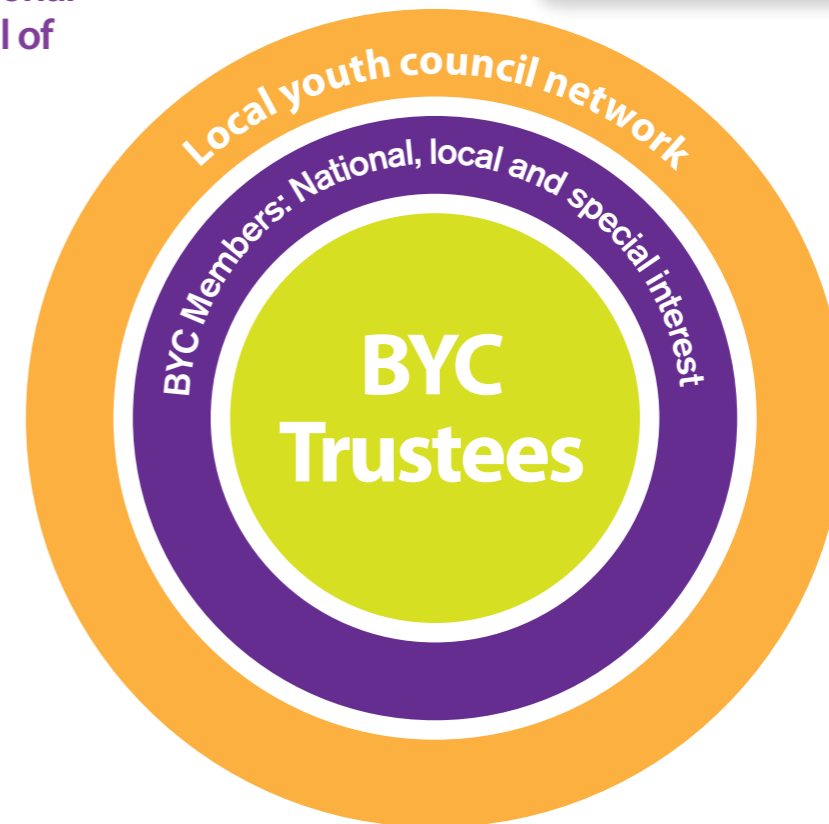
"Girlguiding UK not only serves, but represents half a million young women, and our membership with BYC provide a fantastic opportunity for the views of our members to be heard by those in power."

Kirsty, aged 22
Chair of Girlguiding UK delegation to BYC

"I have watched 'Some Truth about Youth' and read 'Making Waves' and was particularly impressed by the excellent film and achievements of the young volunteers that created it. The Scout Association is very proud of its involvement with BYC and your significant achievements over the past 60 years. We look forward to expanding further our partnership with the BYC as we both work to achieve common goals."

Wayne Bulpitt
UK Chief Commissioner
The Scout Association

BYC: The national youth council of the UK



In 2009/10 BYC's membership has increased by just over **10%** and now includes **130** member organisations

Empowering & inspiring young people

KEEP CHANGING THE WORLD!

BYC strives to empower and inspire young people to get involved and affect change within their local, national and international communities by developing skills, confidence and campaigning opportunities to help young people make a difference.

Throughout 2009/10 BYC, through our empowerment programmes, training and consultancy services provided opportunities for young people to develop and practise a range of skills in putting their point across, making effective decisions, influencing others and leadership.



Highlights of BYC developing the skills and confidence of young people in 2009/10

- ▶ **129** young people shadowed their local councillor through the BYC Local Councillor Shadowing Programme (part of The Youth of Today), which aims to give young people the opportunity to experience political and community leadership roles.
- ▶ BYC delivered training at five Conventions in Belfast, Leeds, Edinburgh, Swansea and London which were attended by **250** young people from over **45** member organisations.

77% of the young people who attended the Conventions said they felt they had the skills to make a difference.

- ▶ BYC provided direct support to over **60** local youth councils as part of the Every Young Voice programme to support youth councils to engage with a wide network of young people in their local community

88% of the young people that took part in the Every Young Voice programme said they were more likely to get active as a result and 90% said they now had the skills to make a difference.

- ▶ BYC recruited, trained and supported ten full time volunteer campaigners as part of our vTalent Year programme.

"Volunteering at BYC has been such a great experience! It's given me greater confidence in myself and I've met some amazing people."

Kirby aged 23
BYC volunteer campaigner

BYC trained **1132** young people in participation and leadership skills across the UK



BYC campaigns for change by lobbying decision-makers on the issues that are important to young people. BYC supports young people to design and develop their own activities and campaigns locally, nationally and internationally.

Following input from BYC member organisations at BYC Conventions and the Annual Council Meeting in 2009, BYC developed a General Election Manifesto 'Our Parliament, Our Vision', which included **five priority campaigns: 16: A new age for democracy** (for lowering the voting age), **Equal Pay for Equal Work** (for an equal National Minimum Wage), **All Aboard for Affordable Transport** (for a national transport discount card), **Our Minds Matter** (for investment in youth mental health services), and **End Child Poverty** (for the Government to keep the promise to end child poverty in the UK by 2020).



UK Young Ambassador, Tom (fourth from left) at 'The Role Of Youth to Establish Peace' in Indonesia

Highlights of BYC campaigning activity in 09/10

- ▶ **200** young people from our membership marched on Westminster, heard speeches from the Minister for Youth Citizenship, BYC Honorary Presidents attended a training session and became part of our short film about the Manifesto – you can see the film online at www.byc.org.uk
- ▶ BYC facilitated a group of young people to give evidence to the Low Pay Commission, the young people presented the findings of a BYC consultation 'Weathering the Recession', which detailed the impact of the recession on young people across the UK.
- ▶ Over **5,800** people became Facebook Fans of the Votes at 16 Coalition page.
- ▶ BYC supported young people to engage with the Youth Citizenship Commission and lobby for Votes at 16.

76% of BYC members attending our manifesto launch said they were more likely to get active because they attended.

Over **4,000** young people took part in our online consultations

BYC collected over **700** pledges of support across all five priority campaigns

BYC international and national representation

Over the past year BYC has empowered young people, including those who would not otherwise have a voice, by providing a range of platforms to communicate with and influence decision-makers and engage in democratic structures. BYC has worked hard to enable UK young people from diverse backgrounds to speak out and act at both a national and international level on issues which are important to them.

Highlights in 2009/10 of BYC's national and international representation

- ▶ The UK Young Ambassadors led a UK consultation with nearly **200** young people on the Commonwealth and incorporated these findings into a presentation ('the youth communiqué') to the Commonwealth Heads of Government meeting in Trinidad and Tobago.
- ▶ BYC supported a core group of **15** UK Young Ambassadors to attend **17** international representation events and forums.
- ▶ Two BYC representatives attended meetings of the European Youth Forum (YFJ) and the Bodensee-Benelux-Cooperation (BBC+) alliance.
- ▶ BYC produced four national policy reports on the issues that face young people today: Sex and drinking, unemployment, transport and careers advice.
- ▶ BYC's Online Action network, provided **300** young people UK-wide, with opportunities for them to have their say, and act on the issues they care about, regardless of where they are based.

What young people said:

"The UK Young Ambassadors programme has had a major impact on my life in so many ways. Without the many ways it has impassioned and empowered me, I would never have come into contact with a number of organisations and values that I shall no doubt be working with for years to come, yet alone possess the skills that have enabled me to say and do the things I have over the past years."

Tom Spragg aged 24
UK Young Ambassador

Over **250** young people have attended national marches and parliamentary meetings and receptions in the UK

This year BYC has supported **30** young people to attend international forums and events in **13** different countries

BYC working together



Throughout the year BYC has worked with a number of other organisations who share our vision and objectives for young people.

BYC has led or joined **15** coalitions on single campaigning issues or themes and has established more formal partnerships with **40** organisations to deliver programmes for young people in the UK and abroad.

Four of BYC's programmes have been delivered through partnership work (The Youth of Today, Youth 4U – Young Inspectors, UK Young Ambassadors and Two Kingdoms).

Highlights from the Youth of Today and the Youth4U - Young Inspectors programmes in 2009/10:

The Youth of Today Councillor Shadowing Programme, funded by the Department for Education and the Department for Communities & Local Government enabled BYC to give **129** young people shadowing opportunities to experience political and community leadership roles that councillors carry out in local communities

The Youth4U - Young Inspectors programme delivered through the Look Listen Change partnership, funded by the Department for Education, has helped BYC to provide training opportunities to **808** young people and give them the ability to look at services in their local areas and have a say in their communities.

"I personally have found it a very rewarding experience and feel that I have learnt from it, as well as young people."

Councillor Randal Brew
Birmingham City Council.

BYC Coalition Partners

Active Citizens	Some Truth About Youth
All Party Parliamentary Group on Youth Affairs	National Participation Forum
BBC+ (European Youth Forum)	National Minimum Wage Coalition
DfID Youth Working Group	UK International Representation Committee
Joint Agency Group	Votes at 16
Look Listen Change	Young Equals
Participation Works	The Youth of Today
Two Kingdoms	

Working together our international partnerships have been able to engage 320 young people directly, and over 3,000 more indirectly through consultations and other activities.

Highlights of Two Kingdoms programme:

- ▶ The Two Kingdoms intercultural dialogue project between the United Kingdom and the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia involved ten partner organisations, five in the UK (Mouth that Roars, BTEG, Islamic Relief, Minorities of Europe and European Alternatives) and five more in Saudi Arabia.
- ▶ The Two Kingdoms project involved **30** young people from Saudi Arabia and more than **60** from the UK.
- ▶ **100** young people attended a BYC reception at City Hall in London to celebrate the Two Kingdoms project.

BYC working in coalition towards common goals

BYC has worked within **15** coalitions to support campaigns and influence policy in the UK and overseas. The work of these coalitions covers a host of topics ranging from promoting positive images of young people in the press,

campaigning to get protection from age discrimination and lower the voting age to 16, briefing parliamentarians on young people and social mobility, right through to putting young people at the heart of international development.

Active Citizens Programme

BYC in partnership with the British Council and the Citizenship Foundation worked together to build trust and understanding between young people around the world through intercultural dialogue and action.

Highlights of the Active Citizens Programme in 2009/10:

- ▶ The Active Citizens Programme has trained and supported thousands of young people from all over the world in local social action projects and international exchanges, including **200** from the UK.
- ▶ BYC delivered training to **80** trainers from the UK, Bangladesh, and Pakistan and across Africa. This has benefitted **40,000** people in over **20** countries.

"BYC is a vibrant, diverse and active organisation that has effectively dispelled the myth that young people are all disengaged. I look forward to continuing to work with BYC in boosting youth participation!"

Susan Nash
Vice President Society & Citizenship,
National Union of Students.

"Collaborating with the British Youth Council to give young people a real stake in society is a natural choice for The Co-operative. The British Youth Council's energy, passion and commitment combined with our reach and educational and democratic credentials are a formidable combination!"

Justin Woolford
Senior Campaigns Manager,
The Co-operative Group.

BYC giving young people a voice

What people said:

"It was extremely well put together, with well thought out and creative use of graphics. The voiceover seemed as professional as anything you'd expect on television. The whole thing was great, really enjoyed taking part and watching the film."

Ben Cohen
Journalist, Channel 4.

"I've now got a job working for the National Council for Voluntary Youth Services and in the same week I got a film grant to make my own documentary!"

Rhiannon aged 23
Some Truth About Youth documentary volunteer.

Throughout 2009/10 BYC has been continuing to promote greater recognition of young people's achievements and has been working to highlight their positive contribution to our society.

BYC recruited, trained and supported a team of **11** young volunteers to produce and make a documentary on the untold story of youth involvement in social change over the last **60** years, called Some Truth About Youth. The film was funded by the Heritage Lottery 'Young Roots' fund and supported by Media Trust, The British Library and British Film Institute.

Highlights from the Some Truth About Youth film:

- ▶ The film has been premiered at a cinema in central London, disseminated to colleges and libraries, and was broadcast by the Community Channel – it can be watched at: www.byc.org.uk

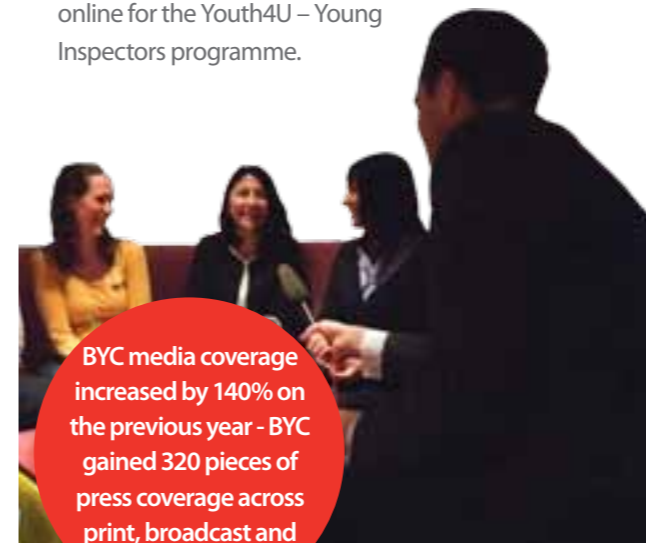


The 'Some Truth About Youth' film won the 09/10 CYPN Positive Images Award for Best Broadcast

BYC supports young people to play a leading role in campaigning activities and has supported the Respect? Campaign Advisory Group and young people in the Youth4U – Young Inspectors programme to get their voices heard in the media.

Highlights from the Respect? campaign and Youth4U-Programme in 2009/10:

- ▶ The Respect? campaign received **600** pledges of support encouraging young people to speak up when they see a negative story in the media about young people.
- ▶ BYC media trained **13** young people from the Youth4U – Young Inspectors programme to help them get their voices heard in the media and with national policy makers.
- ▶ **18** stories from young people were captured online for the Youth4U – Young Inspectors programme.



BYC media coverage increased by 140% on the previous year - BYC gained 320 pieces of press coverage across print, broadcast and online media.

BYC working with Parliamentarians to get young people's voices heard

BYC continues to be part of the joint secretariat to the APPG on Youth Affairs. BYC facilitated three Parliamentary meetings in 2009/10, attended by nearly 200 MPs, highlighting the barriers that young people are facing during the economic downturn.

BYC involves young people as media spokespeople and has created opportunities for young people to voice their opinions to the media on issues they feel strongly about and which affect their everyday lives.

Media highlights in 2009/10

- ▶ BYC's broadcast coverage included: The World Service, Radio 5 Live, CNN, and LBC as well as online coverage around the world on BYC's General Election Manifesto through the Press Association.
- ▶ BYC media trained **28** young people to act as spokespeople for BYC and their peers.

Online and social media highlights in 2009/10:

- ▶ The BYC website continues to grow in depth, quality and use. The number of BYC website hits rose by **50%** from **49,000** in 08/09 to **74,000** in 09/10.
- ▶ BYC has featured in **43** blogs, has doubled its followers on Facebook to nearly **700** and has over **350** followers on Twitter at BYC live.
- ▶ BYC produced two short films which feature on our website (the Election Manifesto film and the trailer for Some Truth About Youth – can be viewed at www.byc.org.uk)
- ▶ BYC has increased the circulation of the BYC fortnightly opportunities e-bulletin, "The BYC Project" by **30%** to a network of over **2,000**.

Where BYC has been in 2009/10

Where BYC has worked in 2009/10

International:



BYC's Reach in the UK

The reach of BYC's events, training and consultancy in the UK during 2009/2010

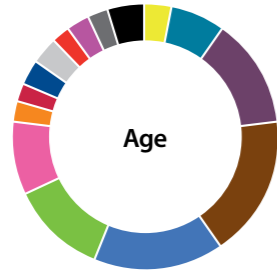


The young people BYC worked with in 2009/10

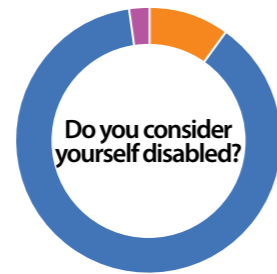
A diverse group of 1132 young people have been involved in BYC training and events during 9/10.



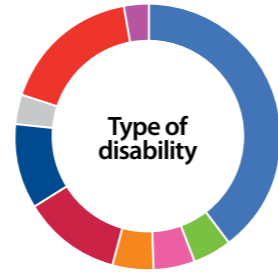
- White - 69%
- Black or Black British - Black Caribbean - 4%
- Black or Black British - Black African - 7%
- Asian or Asian British - Indian - 2.5%
- Asian or Asian British - Pakistani - 3%
- Asian or Asian British - Bangladeshi - 3%
- Chinese or Other Ethnic Group - Chinese - 0.6%
- Dual heritage - 5%
- Traveller - 0.3%
- Other - 4%
- Prefer not to say - 0.5%



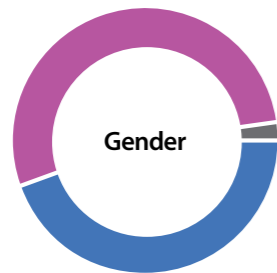
- 11 - 0.3%
- 12 - 2.8%
- 13 - 6.8%
- 14 - 13.2%
- 15 - 17.5%
- 16 - 15.7%
- 17 - 12.1%
- 18 - 8.7%
- 19 - 2.6%
- 20 - 2.0%
- 21 - 3.3%
- 22 - 2.8%
- 23 - 2.3%
- 24 - 3.3%
- 25 - 2.0%
- 26+ - 4.7%



- Yes - 10.2%
- No - 87.7%
- Prefer not to say - 2.2%



- Learning difficulty / disability - 43.5%
- Long term or life-limiting illness - 5.1%
- Sensory - 5.8%
- Multiple disabilities - 5.1%
- Mental health issues - 13.0%
- Physical - 11.6%
- Other - 3.6%
- Prefer not to say - 18.8%
- No - 2.9%



- Female - 53.4%
- Prefer not to say - 1.9%
- Male - 44.7%



- Employed - Full time - 16.6%
- Employed - Part time - 5.1%
- In education / learning - 74.1%
- Self-employed - 1.0%
- Not in education, employment or training - 4.2%
- In training - 3.7%
- Other - 1.8%
- Prefer not to say - 2.1%



- Heterosexual / straight - 88.6%
- Prefer not to say - 4.0%
- Bisexual - 2.9%
- Other - 0.5%
- Gay man - 3.4%
- Gay woman / lesbian - 0.7%

BYC: A YEAR IN NUMBERS

10% INCREASE IN BYC MEMBERS

19,800 YOUNG PEOPLE IN OUR NETWORK OF

5 BYC PRIORITY CAMPAIGNS



320 MEDIA STORIES
140% INCREASE ON 08/09

BYC HAS WORKED WITH



40 PARTNER ORGANISATIONS

620 LOCAL YOUTH COUNCILS

4000 young people took part in BYC consultations

BYC has worked in **15** coalitions

360 VOLUNTEERS TOOK PART IN BYC ACTIVITIES



113 YOUNG PEOPLE
113 SKILLS TRAINED

50% INCREASE
BYC WEBSITE HITS

BYC HAS DIRECTLY SUPPORTED **10,481** YOUNG PEOPLE TO HAVE A VOICE

49,000 TO **74,000**

3 MARCHES TO WESTMINSTER

IN 09/10

BYC Member organisations

A National Voice

Alford & Spilsby Youth Council

Amesbury Youth Council

Banwell Youth Council

Barking and Dagenham Youth Forum

Belfast City Youth Forum

Berkshire Association of Clubs for Young People

Bexley Youth Council

Billericay Youth Town Council

Bobby Panel

Boys' Brigade

Breckland Youth Council

Bromley Youth Council

Burnham and Highbridge Youth Town Council

Caerphilly Youth Forum

Changing Faces

Chelmsford Youth Council

Church of England Youth Council

Clackmannanshire Youth Council

Colchester Youth Council

Commonwealth Youth Exchange Council

Cornwall Youth Forum

Crawley Young Persons Council

Croydon Youth Council

Darlington Youth Assembly

Doncaster Youth Council

Dudley Youth Council

East Hampshire Youth Council

East Riding Youth Assembly

Eastleigh Borough Youth Council

Electoral Reform Society

Epping Forest Youth Council

Forum Housing Association

Fury (Fellowship of United Reformed Youth)

Fylde & Wyre District Youth Council

Gateshead Youth Council

Girlguiding UK

Golden Opportunity Youth Association

Guildford Youth Council

Hackney Youth Parliament

Hampshire County Youth Council

Harpenden Youth Town Council

Harrow Youth Parliament

Hedge End Youth Town Council

Hertfordshire Young Carers Project

Hillingdon Youth Council

Hull Youth Council

Human Rights and Equalities Charnwood

Huntingdon Youth Town Council

Kent (Marine) Cadet Force

Kent Youth County Council

Knowsley Youth Parliament

Launch Pad and Coast

London Borough of Kensington & Chelsea Youth Service

Liberal Youth

Lincolnshire Youth Cabinet

Maghull and District Youth Council

Medway Youth Parliament

Mencap

Methodist Association of Youth Clubs

Milton Keynes Youth Service

Monmouthshire Youth Service

National Council for Voluntary Youth Services

National Federation of Young Farmers Clubs

National Union of Students

National Youth Agency

Newcastle Young People's Association

Newham Youth Council

Newhaven Young People's Forum

Next Step Youth Council

North Ayrshire Youth Council

North Lanarkshire Youth Council

North Yorkshire Youth Council

Northumberland Youth Service

Oadby and Wigston Young People's Council

Oldham Youth Council

Pontypool Youth Council

Portslade Youth Forum

Reigate and Banstead Youth Council

Saint Ives Youth Town Council

Scottish Association of Young Farmers Clubs

Sevenoaks Youth Town Council

Sheffield Youth Council

Silsden Youth Council

South East Wales Racial Equality Council

South Gloucestershire Youth Board

South Tyneside Youth Parliament

Southwark Youth Council

St Albans Youth Council

St John's Ambulance

Stevenage Youth Council

Stockton District Advice and Information Service

Student Christian Movement

Tendring District Youth Council

Thanet Youth Council

The Black and Minority Ethnic Young People's Project

The Daneford Trust

The Duke of Edinburghs Award - London Region

The Prince's Trust

The Scout Association

Tower Hamlets Youth Partnership

Trafford Children and Young Peoples Service

Underground Youth Panel

Unicef UK Tagd

UNISON

Unite The Union

United Nations Association of The UK

v, the volunteering charity

Voluntary Action Leicester

Warwickshire Association of Youth Clubs

Welwyn Hatfield Youth Council

Weston Super Mare Youth Council

Wigtown Youth Forum

Wiltshire Assembly of Youth

Wirral Youth Service/Forums

Woking Youth Council

Wolverhampton City Youth Council

Woodcraft Folk

Worcestershire Youth Cabinet

Voluntary Service Belfast

Worthing Youth Council

Wrexham County Youth Forum

YMCA

York Youth Council

Young Voices Ltd

Youth Action Council

Youth for Fair Trade

Youth Move Youth Opinions

Youth of Basingstoke and Deane

Youth of Winchester - Winchester District Youth Council

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Where BYC's money came from in 2009/2010

Grants and contracted income £1,182,364

Other Income £99,185

(Including membership fees, donations, publications, events, reimbursements, training and consultancy)

Total **£1,281,549**

What we spent it on

(Including funds brought forward from 08/09)

Programmes & Training £421,873

Policy & Communications £314,339

International Activities £255,870

Governance £21,545

Fundraising £6,806

Total **£1,020,533**

Our full audited accounts will be available online at www.charity-commission.gov.uk later in 2010

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What BYC can offer

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The British Youth Council, the national youth council of the UK, is a charity run by young people for young people.

BYC can provide organisations with expertise across the following five areas:

Training and programmes

Skills training and empowerment opportunities for young people

www.byc.org.uk/training

Consultancy

Tapping into the thoughts and opinions of young people across the UK

www.byc.org.uk/consultancy

Voice and campaigning

Representing the views of young people to local, national and international decision makers

www.byc.org.uk/tellus

We empower young people across the UK to have a say and be heard.

Resources and support

Available for BYC members and our network of youth councils, in person

020 7785 6460

lyc@byc.org.uk

www.byc.org.uk/resources

Membership

Our community of active and engaged members includes youth councils and larger organisations

www.byc.org.uk/members



BYC campaigners Lucy and Joel with Nick Hurd MP.



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