



SANDOWN TOWN COUNCIL

Press Release

SANDOWN AND LAKE ENERGISE ME YOUTH PROJECT LAUNCHED

Sandown and Lake are celebrating securing funding for a 6 month youth project in the Bay, and local Councillors launched the project at Sandown's Broadway Centre, as part of National Youthwork Week, with Project Development Officer Julian Wadsworth MBE, of Community Action (IW).

Julian said 'It is a much needed start, and we hope that we can secure further funding and increase coverage across the Bay, very much led by young people themselves.' Sandown Mayor Paddy Lightfoot added 'With local councils having limited resources, securing grant funding will help demonstrate the need for a service and this innovative project is welcomed.'

The 6 month project, funded by a £9,552 grant from Energise Me and Sport England, provides detached youth worker sessions in Sandown and Lake, targeted activities, will help increase local workforce, and contributes to the Bay's sustainability plan.

Lake Councillor John Marshall said 'This is an example of partnership working helping secure external funding, and benefitting local young people'. Bay resident Adam Farley concluded 'I benefitted from attending a youth centre, and I'm sure this project will help young people in the Bay – I know there is a need'.

Adam also helped provide a recycled cheque for the presentation and will be involved in the consultation, monitoring and evaluation throughout the project.



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