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Youth expenditure

The Budget and Performance Committee is preparing to examine expenditure on young people across the GLA group. I would be grateful if you could supply details of initiatives and programmes targeted at young people undertaken or funded by the core GLA in 2007/08 and 2008/09 or planned for future years. In each case, please detail the expenditure made, forecast, budgeted or planned each year, the source(s) of the funding, and (briefly) the nature of the work or initiative supported. Also, as far as possible, please provide details of what outcome is to be achieved by the funding allocated, how it is to be measured and, where known, the current performance, target performance and any relevant benchmarks on the outcome indicators.

I would be grateful if you could provide this information by Monday 6 April, and send a copy John Barry in the committee services team.

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Dear John

Youth Expenditure

In response to your letter of 9 March, please find attached a spreadsheet that brings together information provided by budget holders and information maintained within financial services.

Unfortunately, I am unable to confirm that the information is complete in every respect because youth related expenditure is not specifically identified as a category within the accounting system. Furthermore, there were a number of projects that took place which were not directly aimed at youths but they would have targeted them as well as other groups. The list of projects under this heading includes: London's Summer and Winter of Sports; Peace Week; Gangs Guns and Weapons Annual Seminar and the Peoples March. If you require any further information on these, or anything else provided here, please let me know and if necessary I will secure a response from the appropriate service work area.

Yours sincerely

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YOUTH EXPENDITURE

SUMMARY SHEET

Source Information	Initiative / Programme	Nature of Work (if provided)	Actual Expenditure 2007/08 (£) (if information provided)	Actual Expenditure to date 2008/09 (£)	Projected 2009/10 Expenditure if given (£)
Housing & Homelessness Unit	Alone in London Homelessness Prevention DVD	Homelessness prevention DVD	0	N/A - In kind Support	0
Sports Unit	Street Athletics in 2008/09 for children under 19	-	0	10,000	0
Cultural Strategy Team	Fourth Plinth School Awards	Encourages pupils to consider art in the public realm, design an artwork inspired by 4th plinth plus INSET days	0	4,000	3,000
Cultural Strategy Team	Children's Art Day	National campaign to maximise children/ young people's involvement in visual arts.	0	10,000	10,000
Cultural Strategy Team	Music Education	To raise the profile of the issues in music education - work towards improving the co-ordination and quality of provision with local authorities	0	50,000	50,000
Cultural Strategy Team	Rhythm of London	Celebration / showcase of young people's music talent & opportunities for progression	0	36,000	36,000
Cultural Strategy Team	London Youth Games	The London Youth Games is a pan-London sporting activity programme involving all 33 London boroughs utilising Crystal Palace sports complex and various other facilities in outer and inner London	25,113	25,000	0
Cultural Strategy Team	London Youth Dance Network	A dance development initiative for outer London Borough based Schools Sports Partnership designed to kick start dance in areas with limited access to both dance provision and expertise.	0	6,400	0
Cultural Strategy Team	Heritage Diversity Workforce Programme	GLA programme that will encourage heritage organisations to increase diversity of work, and will include efforts to encourage young people to work in the heritage sector.	0	N/A	10,000
Social Inclusion Team	London Child Poverty Commission	The LCPC is an independent commission established jointly between the Mayor and London Councils. Its remit is to investigate the reasons for London's persistently high rates of child poverty and make proposals identifying solutions.	0	20,000	20,000
Opinion Research & Consultation Team	Survey of Young People Living in London	The purpose of this research is to provide insight into how young people aged 18 and under view living in London and to gauge attitudes to Mayoral policies and priorities.	0	28,800	9,600
Equalities Team	Consultation exercise on Equal Life Chances for all	-	0	500	0
Equalities Team	Children & Young People work shops on London Plan and Climate Change	-	2,000		
Marketing & Publicity Team	Young Money	-	5,000	0	0
Marketing & Publicity Team	Fireworks Campaign	Educating children about the dangers of throwing and picking up fireworks	30,000	0	0
The Stakeholders Team	London Schools & Black Child Conference	The London Schools and the Black Child (LSBC) initiative builds on a project initiated in the London Borough of Hackney by Diane Abbott MP, and is organised in association with her. It has become established as the key mayoral educational event in London and has taken as its focus concerns around the continuing underachievement of African-Caribbean heritage children in London, and boys in particular.	105,948	105,740	0
The Stakeholders Team	Fyi Radio	A Social / community enterprise targeting LGBY young people aged 18-30 - event hosted at City Hall as part of the LGBT History Month	0	1,475	0
The Stakeholders Team	Young Peoples Question time	-	0	0	7,500
The Stakeholders Team	Student related work	Students go green week, Students Rise, Student Londoner newsletter	10,047	0	0
The Environment Team	The London Schools Environment Award	This initiative was aimed at London Primary Schools to engage 4-11 year olds in environmental education.	142,962	118,866	0
The Children & Young Peoples Unit	Children & Young People Programme	Children and Young People's Unit programme and staff budgets (as below) constitute a wide-ranging programme of ongoing policy and research, projects and participation (including specific delivery around State of London's Children Report, Youth Offer, Peer Outreach Workers, research on young people NEET, policy seminars on child poverty/life chances, play events and SPG -figures includes budget for staffing and programme budget.	404,000	580,000	589,000
The Environment Team	London Zoo - Schools free visits scheme	The Free Visits scheme is directed at maintained schools in greater London and its primary purpose is to provide educational visits for socially excluded and deprived children	407,500	436,510	436,510
The Environment Team	London Wetlands Centre	The Mayor's scheme for free visits to the London Wetlands centre enables all London state school children to have the opportunity to visit the educational centre	40,159	67,373	66,289
Total Expenditure			1,172,729	1,500,664	1,237,899