



What is CATs?

- CATs stands for **C**ommunity **A**ctivity **T**eams
- Is a mobile youth service operating across Kent:
- Dover, Ashford, Shepway, Maidstone, Tunbridge Wells, Tonbridge, Swale, Sevenoaks and Thanet
- Delivered as part of the KCC Integrated Youth Service

What will CATs deliver?

- From a fleet of youth vehicles CATs teams deliver a broad spectrum of youth services from various venues and locations according to local need
- Will have a static youth centre in Dover
- Services will include **information, guidance & advice, positive activities and a range of interventions around sexual health, alcohol & drugs and health & well-being**
- Services targeted at 11-25 year olds with specific focus on 13-19.

Our Contracts – Dover and Thanet



- › DOV1 – Town Based youth work at Youth HQ centre and ALYC centre.
- › DOV2 – Rural youth work in Dover from resource vehicles.
- › THA – Rural Youth Work in Thanet
- › 1150 Sessions per year

Our Contracts – Swale

- › SWA3 – Rural work in Swale,
- › SWA4 – Rural work in Swale, sheppy
- › 736 sessions per year.



Our Contracts – Ashford / Shepway

- › ASH2 – Rural youth work in Ashford district.
- › ASH3 – Centre based youth work in South Ashford
- › ASH4 – Support service for youth projects, providing targeted programmes
- › SHE – Rural Youth Work on Romney Marsh
- › 1058 Sessions per year



Our Contracts – West Kent

- › MAI – Rural Youth Work in Maidstone
- › TON – Rural Youth Work in Tonbridge
- › TUN4/5 – Rural Youth Work in Tunbridge Wells
- › SEV – Rural Youth Work in Sevenoaks
- › 870 Sessions per year



What CATs deliver

- Mobile youth vehicles allow us to take service to where it is most needed
- CATs will deliver over 4000 group and one to one sessions across Kent per year

Why?

The service will:

- 'Raise the aspirations of young people and support them in achieving their potential'

By helping them to:

- Communicate effectively;
- Develop self-confidence and determination;
- Learn to manage their feelings & relationships;
- Develop creativity and problem-solving skills.



About Us



- KCFN and CXK are both registered charities committed to improving the lives of children, young people and their families in Kent.
- Our core work is:
 - Establishing and running youth centres
 - Supporting young people into work
 - Mental health & well being services for young people
 - Play and Participation
 - Wider family support
 - Training

Our Shared Vision

The CATs service will be crucial in helping CXK and KCFN achieve our shared vision...



'That children & young people live in a world where they are valued and supported to realise their aspirations and be resilient to the challenges of life.'