



SOUTH SHROPSHIRE YOUTH FORUM SPRING 2025

WELCOME TO OUR

Membership Newsletter

Youth Rangers

FEBRUARY HALF
TERM ACTIVITIES 2025

AGES 11-18
FREE



Youth work reports

SSYF continues to deliver weekly evening sessions in Bishop's Castle, Cleobury Mortimer, Craven Arms, and Ludlow

Funding has been secured for all projects until at least the end of the academic year. In addition SSYF is able to offer opportunities for young people to participate in tailor made projects, such as the **Youth Rangers**, the **Ludlow Garden Help scheme**, the **South Shropshire Stories**, **Hill Stories** and the **Generation Green** programme, delivered in partnership with the Shropshire Hills National Landscape

In this newsletter:

Latest project news, media news and more.
Keep Reading!

Our calendar:

Wesley's drop-in cafe sessions starts Friday 31st January in Ludlow

Muslim Youth Group session Saturday 15th February

Youth Rangers sessions Feb half term

Generation Green residential 29th March

Bishop's Castle

Sessions continue to be delivered every Monday & Wednesday. Chris and her team offer a Wednesday night Drop-in youth session at the Methodist Hall in town from 3.30-5.15pm for 11-16 year olds. Work also takes place at Bishop's Castle Primary School on Mondays where the team run an after school programme between 3.15-4.30pm for 8-11 year olds.

Coming Up

Thanks to Bishop's Castle Town Council the project will be extended for another 6 months as we continue to work on funding bids to secure longer term funding.



Cleobury Mortimer

Thanks to Cleobury Mortimer Town Council, and the money we had left from Shropshire Council sessions continue on Monday evenings for year 6 & 7's. We have allowed a few year 8's to remain to support the younger year groups. Sessions focus primarily around sport, with football sessions being offered on the astro turf at Teme Valley Leisure centre. During the winter months we have secured enough funding to open the Social Club as an after football social session. We aim to also deliver cricket sessions in the warmer weather. Sessions are well attended, we have 30 children signed up, with 6 girls on the register.



New video launched

A NEW VIDEO HAS BEEN PRODUCED AND LOADED UP ON YOUTUBE

It has footage of practical work being done to help local people in need, and also feedback from beneficiaries & participants.

READY TO VIEW NOW!!!

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hKkZwL4xwMc>

SSYF Membership

SSYF are recruiting new MEMBERS to join our organisation and HELP have a say on what services we offer for young people

- Membership is **FREE**
- Members must be aged 21 or over
- We welcome former Youth Forum participants
- Join us at our AGM and other meetings to help make decisions
- **FREE** Newsletter keeping you up to date with Youth Forum developments and activities

Applications now open
Email: richssyf@yahoo.com





Craven Arms

Craven Arms youth provision runs every Tuesday. Thanks to the Town Council we can extend this project to September. Activities take place outside and consist of approx one hour of football, the other a mixture of games and activities and detached youth work. SSYF also supports a **Muslim Youth group**, and this group have been involved in some of the Youth Rangers and Generation Green activities, including night walks and farm visits.

Other activities

In partnership with the Shropshire Hills National Landscape we have been delivering activities for the **Generation Green** Project. Nationally it aims to connect more than 25,000 young people living in England's most socially disadvantaged areas to nature and rural life through a host of inspiring experiences. To date we have helped to facilitate farm visits, day experiences and are planning an overnight residential at the Long Mynd adventure camp in the Spring. A wild camp in the woods experience was delivered last Summer holidays.

Ludlow

Thanks to Hereford Community Foundation the **Friday night detached project** will run until the end of 2025. We are just about to trial a drop-in cafe session at Wesley's cafe in town which we last ran before Covid. If these sessions prove popular we will be looking to offer this resource in the Autumn/Winter later this year.

Ludlow Youth cafe
A warm place to chill out, chat with friends. Toast & Hot drinks **FREE WIFI**
FREE
@Wesley's cafe, Broad street
Everyday **FRIDAY**
7pm – 8.30pm
OPEN FROM 31ST JANUARY 2025!!!
Youth Forum THE HEREFORDSHIRE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

Easter will see the planned return of both the **Hill Stories** and **South Shropshire Stories** projects. The South Shropshire based project aims to create a series of (up to 16) short films – about experiences and perspectives of local places and stories – these will be shared with their local communities and online. We have already delivered shorts films of our experience at Westhope. 20 young people also produced some work of their experiences at Craven Arms and on Clee Hill. They can be viewed at www.youtube.com/@HillStories-live/videos.

SUBSCRIBE, LIKE & FOLLOW

