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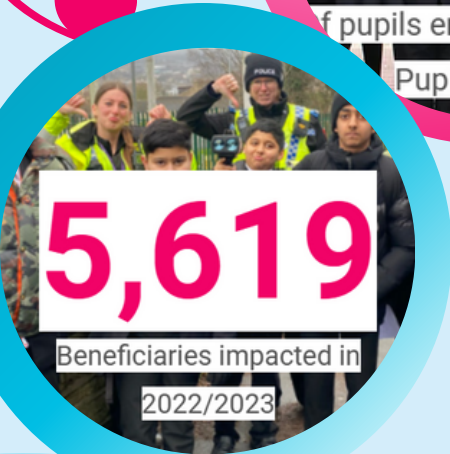
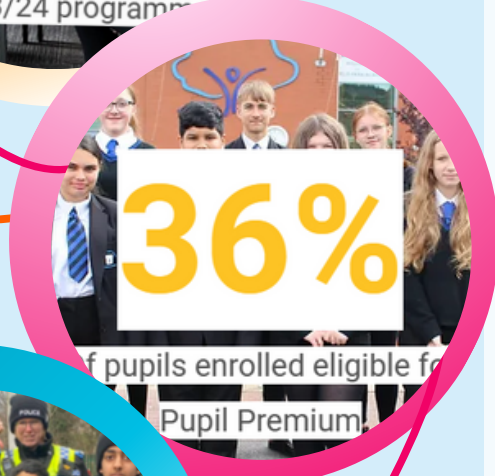
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In this booklet you'll find reviews of the project teams who are presenting on the stage today. We are really proud of every team who has taken part, and continues to take part, in the NextGenLeaders programme. These teams are presenting today, next year it will be different teams and we look forward to our Changemakers championing change in their communities year on year.

OUR TEAMS

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*Tackling the problems of today,
whilst creating the leaders of tomorrow.*





**TRINITY ACADEMY,
HALIFAX**

Elissa – Team leader
Isla – Secretary
Millie – Researcher
Anna – Social media

STREET FLOW

THE ISSUE

We have been helping to tackle period poverty in our area by donating Period Packs to our local homeless charity. Our project has impacted our community by helping women experiencing homelessness who don't have period products to be able to now use reusable products so they will not have to save up to buy disposable products. For every woman we provide with reusable sanitary products, we are saving roughly 86,900kg of CO2 over a lifetime! Find out more on IG at @streetflowtah.



NO POVERTY: SDG 1

1.4) by 2030, ensure that all men and women, in particular the poor and vulnerable, have equal access to economic resources.

CLIMATE ACTION: SDG 13

13B) Promote mechanisms for raising capacity for effective climate change-related planning and management, focusing on women, youth and local marginalised communities.

GENDER EQUALITY: SDG 5

5.6) Ensure universal access to sexual and reproductive health and reproductive rights



Street Flow teamed up with **MyGroup, & Sisters, Halifax Homeless and Community kitchen,** and **ASDA.**



When someone buys a pack in the supermarket this will fund two packs so an **extra pack can be donated.**



7 billion tampons and **12 billion pads** are discarded each year - that is around **500 million sanitary products** ending up in landfill each month! Moon cups have **less than 1.5%** environmental impact.



BREAKING FREE

THE ISSUE

Our mission is to tackle gender equality in all ages through education and providing interactive games within our community.

QUALITY EDUCATION: SDG 4

4.5) Eliminate gender disparities in education and ensure equal access to all levels of education.

GENDER EQUALITY: SDG 5

5.1) End ALL forms of discrimination against ALL women and girls everywhere.

DECENT WORK & ECONOMIC GROWTH: SDG 8

8.5) Achieve full and productive employment and decent work for all women and men and equal pay for work of equal value.

REDUCED INEQUALITIES: SDG 10

10.3) Ensure equal opportunities and reduce inequalities of outcome.



Breaking Free teamed up with *third Garforth Guides* by offering STEM activities to Y5 and Y6 girls at *Brownies*.



GARFORTH ACADEMY,
GARFORTH



Hana - Team Leader

Eva - Community Engagement

Chloe - Researcher

Amy & Liv - Social Media Managers



27% of girls aged 7-10 think PE is more for boys, with **75% of girls aged 11-21** say toys and clothes made for 'boys' and 'girls' increases gender stereotyping. Research shows **it will take 136 years to close the gender divide.**



CARLTON KEIGHLEY, KEIGHLEY

Hava-Imaan - Team Leader
Iqra - Project Developer
Sahara - Community Engagement
Iqra - Brand Manager
Umar - Researcher
M. Hasham - People Manager
Tom - Data Manager

THE ISSUE

Our mission is to tackle casual racism in our community by educating them on different cultural/ethnic backgrounds in our community.

We have successfully...

- Acquired culturally diverse books in our school library.
- Educated 180 Year 7 students in our school about different cultures.
- Educated 300 Primary School pupils about prejudice, discrimination & different cultures.
- We have interviewed people from Zimbabwe, Nigeria, Poland, Bangladesh, Syria, Ukraine, Britain and Pakistan.



GOOD HEALTH & WELLBEING: SDG 3

Ensure healthy lives and promote well-being for all at all ages → We have educated people of different cultures so they have a positive mindset.

QUALITY EDUCATION : SDG 4

Ensure inclusive and equitable quality education and promote lifelong learning opportunities for all → By interviewing people of different cultures, we are able to pass the knowledge on to our community.

STAY UNITED



Stay United teamed up with the **National Literacy Trust**, **Inclusively Minded: Everybody in Books**, and **Eastwood Community School**.

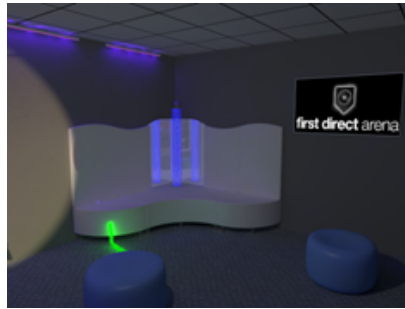
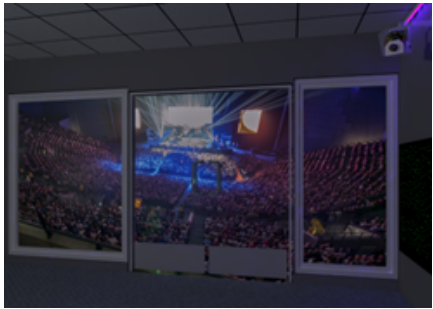


95% of young Black people report that they have witnessed the use of racist language at school with **77% of pupils** saying racism existed in their school. **33.5% of the school population in the UK** originate from ethnic minority backgrounds, yet only **7% of all children's books published in the UK** between 2017-2019 contained characters from such cultures.

SENS-FREE

THE ISSUE

Imagine not being able to watch live sport at a stadium OR go to watch your favourite singer or band live at a music venue? This is a reality for many neurodivergent individuals. Our mission is to increase the prominence of sensory spaces in public areas across the UK and increase the understanding of the term 'neurodivergent' in our local community.



LIGHTHOUSE SCHOOL,
LEEDS



Jennifer - Team leader

William - Project Developer

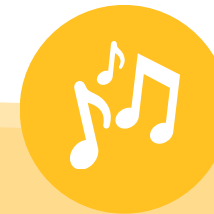
Alex D & Thomas - Community Engagement

Matthew & Harry - Researchers

Milan, Josh & Oakley - Content Creators



Sens-Free has teamed up with
Asda, York St. John University,
Experia, and First Direct Arena.



86% of autistic young people said that they would like a sensory space in a music venue as **55%** find public areas stressful. **72%** say they haven't used sensory spaces in public places as there's not enough availability.



SHEFFIELD PARK, SHEFFIELD

Laila - Team leader
Keren - Project Leader
Nasaradin & Nicolas -
 Community Engagement
Jacob - Social Media Manager
Zain & Morgan - Researchers
Lily & Erin - Communications
Zain - Website Designer
Madison & Ruby -
 Production Managers

THE ISSUE

Our mission is to ensure that young people feel safe walking around on the streets in our community.

PEACE, JUSTICE & STRONG INSTITUTIONS: SDG 16

16.1) Significantly reduce all forms of violence and related death rates everywhere.

SUSTAINABLE CITIES AND COMMUNITIES: SDG 11

11.7) By 2030, provide universal access to safe, inclusive and accessible, green and public spaces, in particular for women and children, older persons and persons with disabilities.

GOOD HEALTH & WELL-BEING: SDG 3

3.4) By 2030, reduce by one third premature mortality from non-communicable diseases through prevention and treatment and promote mental health and well-being.



SAFE TOGETHER



Safe Together teamed up with **High Hazels Primary School, Acres Hill Academy of Self Defence, South Yorkshire Police, and Asda.**



62% of young people feel unsafe on public transport and **75%** of young people feel unsafe when walking in the evening. **81%** of young people who were stabbed last year died.

SUSTAINABAG

THE ISSUE

Our mission is to create a sustainable, positive impact within our community by:

- reducing the amount of clothing going to landfill
- reducing the usage of one use plastic bags
- inspiring children to make a difference and improving their mental health
- supporting vulnerable women within our community

We aim to achieve this by upcycling old, unwanted clothing into reusable bags, and then selling the bags (to raise a donation towards a Sheffield based Women's shelter to help fund costs of transportation for the women). So far we have prevented the purchase of 456 plastic bags, encouraged behaviour change and reduced anxiety about the environment.

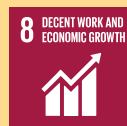
MEADOWHEAD,
SHEFFIELD



Beth Hibbard, Gabriella Brown,
Molly Abraham, Heidi Hamilton,
Alice Gibbs, Lola Birks



Sustainabag have teamed up with
Asda, Sheffield's Women's Aid
and **Norton Free School**.



89% of people use single-use plastic shopping bags weekly. In 2021 it was estimated that **10,809 women** were living in women's refuges. Research in 2022 found that on average single fathers earn **8x** more than single mothers.

LITTER LIFTERS

THE ISSUE

Our mission is to make the local environment safer and healthier for both people and animals. We are achieving this by reducing plastic pollution in our community by challenging those in charge to change their policies and by educating the younger generations about the impact of plastic pollution. Through upcycling plastics by turning them into bird feeders we will turn something that is negative into something that can be positively used.

We are now looking at change for the community. We had educated young children about the problems that plastics will cause which should support a generational change in attitude. We have placed birdfeeders and bug hotels in a local forest area to encourage wildlife and also to show how plastic can be upcycled and also to encourage wildlife in the area.



Litter Lifters teamed up with **Beckfoot Heaton Primary School**, and **Asda**.



UK houses throw away **100 billion** pieces of plastic (packaging) a year with only **12%** being recycled in the UK. Around **25%** of UK waste goes to landfill.

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of socially responsible leaders.**

OUR VISION

To create a society where young people feel empowered through project-based learning and youth participatory action.

OUR MISSION

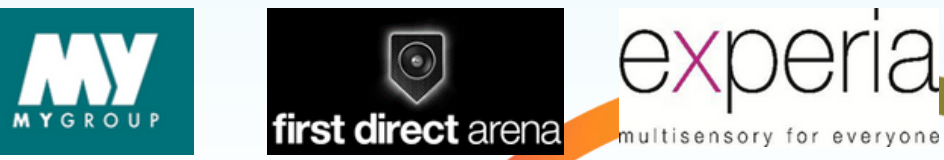
To implement a student-led and free-to-access programme into schools across social mobility cold-spots engaging learners from year 7. To encourage young people to develop curiosity, creativity and empathy while challenging the status quo and developing sustainable, community-facing projects which create positive change.

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