



Message from Paul Snape, our CEO

The last few months at The Way Youth Zone have been amazing! We've had so many exciting activities, new projects, and great moments — and it's all thanks to the fantastic support from families like yours, and from our wider community.

We're now open for longer — 34 hours a week! That means more time for fun, learning and making friends. We've also made our sessions better suited to the young people who come through our doors. Our new Chill n Chat sessions are perfect for those who like a calm, gentle start to their day.

We've also launched our Outreach Team who is now out across the city, meeting young people where they are and helping them find out about everything we offer here at The Way.

And we've had brilliant support from local businesses too! They've been running football matches, family fun days, and even signing up to our half marathon challenges to raise money for our Youth Zone. We're so grateful for everything they're doing to help more young people in Wolverhampton.

Thank you for being part of our journey. With your support, we'll keep making The Way a place where every young person can feel safe, happy, and full of potential.

How are we doing? Apr - Jun 25



Fundraising Highlights

Thank You for Making a Difference!

Sporting Athletic Academy vs Empowering U - £853 Raised!

Over 140 supporters joined us for a nail-biting match between Sporting Athletic Academy and Empowering U. It was a fantastic day, with Empowering U taking the win 1-0 and a whopping £853.75 raised for our charity!

Huge thanks to everyone who attended, the players, Wednesfield Community FC for the ground, and Empowering U for sponsoring this brilliant event. What a great show of community spirit!



BSN Group 5-a-Side Tournament - Raising over £10,000

On 7th June, 18 teams—including one from our very own Youth Zone—took to the pitch for BSN Group's Charity Tournament and Family Day. It was an amazing day of sport and fun for all ages, all in support of our young people. A massive thank you to BSN Group, Wolverhampton City Council, Star Scaffolding, NIS, and all involved!

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CONSTRUCTION

WCC Boxing - £1,730 Raised!

One of the WCC team went above and beyond, stepping into the boxing ring to raise money for our Youth Zone. His target was £250, but thanks to your support, he smashed it—raising an incredible £1,730! Huge thanks to Damon and everyone at WCC for your continued backing.



Three Peaks Youth Zone Challenge - £11,000 Raised

Our young people, staff, and supporters tackled the Three Peaks Challenge — Youth Zone style!

- April 9: Seniors climbed the height of Ben Nevis in our climbing room
- April 8: Juniors took on Scafell Pike
- April 12: Staff and corporate supporters climbed Snowdon at sunrise!

Thanks to Gough Group, The Student Energy Group, Blackbrook Academy, and all donors — we've raised an incredible £11,000!



Boys Talk - National Media Spotlight

Our male empowerment sessions have made waves! With growing concerns about toxic masculinity in the media, our work was featured in The Observer in an article titled "Saving the lost boys: finding the antidote to toxic influencers." These sessions help young men open up and talk about the issues that are important to them — and we're so proud to lead the way.

[Read the article here](#)



Residential Adventure - A Trip to Remember

In May, 24 of our 11–15-year-olds headed to the Pioneer Centre for a residential packed with archery, caving, water fights, and high ropes. As Ryan, one of our seniors, said: "It gave me freedom, helped me make new friends, and try things I've always wanted to do!"



Local Police Support

We've had some amazing workshops with our local police, including a Girls' Safety Hub and Q&A sessions on important issues like knife crime and online safety.

Thank you PC Pete and PC Lauren!

Look out for their Come Dine With Me video in July!!!



National Youth Orchestra Takeover



Our Youth Zone came alive with music during an unforgettable visit from the National Youth Orchestra. Workshops, performances, and magical moments made it a day to remember!

[Watch the video](#)



Pride Parade Fun

We were proud to march in Wolverhampton's Pride Parade and host a fab stall in the Pride Plaza with free tattoos and lollipops. It was a great day of sharing what we do with families and celebrating love and inclusivity.



What's New?

Chill n Chat - A calmer start to evenings at The way



Every weekday from 3–4pm during term time, we're offering a quieter, relaxed start to sessions — perfect for new members or those from home-schooling families who prefer a gentler way to join in.

Come explore at your own pace, meet new friends, and take part in low-pressure fun like art, climbing, games, and more!



Extended opening hours

We're now open 34 hours a week!!!

- Weekdays from 3pm (term time)
- Mon/Wed/Fri open until 9pm
- Saturdays open until 4:30pm

Summer Holiday Club

This summer, we're offering two awesome holiday clubs:

- **Holiday Club Kidz** (Ages 8–12)
- **Holiday Club Teenz** (Ages 13–15)

From 28 July–22 August, just £5 a day (HAF places available). Booking open now on our website!!!

Monday nights are now

INBETWEENERS

**11 - 15
YEARS**



**Every Monday
3PM - 9:00PM**

THEWAY
An OnSide Youth Zone

This September, join us to ...

We're turning Wolverhampton pink this September to raise £16,000 — enough to fund a whole year of Youth Zone activities!

Get involved your way:

- Host a pink bake sale or dress-down day
- Take on a Tough Mudder or half marathon
- Get creative with your own pink-themed idea!

[**Sign up here**](#)

PAINT THE CITY PINK



Wolverhampton Half Marathon and 10k Run



13 amazing staff and parents are training hard to run for our cause this September as part of the Paint The City Pink campaign. Some are experienced runners, others are first-timers — but all are passionate about supporting our young people. There's still time to sign up and be part of our team, we will pay for your place and we ask you in return to commit to raising £250 for our charity.

[**Sign up here**](#)



CORNERSTONE PATRON SPOTLIGHT

Supporting your young people for a bright future

We're thrilled to welcome NIS Group as our first-ever Cornerstone Patron, following a generous £100,000 investment into Wolverhampton's future.

Together, we're launching Way2Work – Building Futures Together, a bold employability programme that will provide:

- Confidence-building for children
- Career exploration and skills training for teens
- Family and SEND support workshops
- Outreach to support NEET young people

This programme is already changing lives — and it's only just begun.



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