Submission 13 Children, Young People and the Built Environment

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Position

Students of City East, Randwick TAFE studying Community Identity as part of their Certificate of General Education (Year 10) made the following suggestions:

*Young people who have experienced and overcome difficulties eg with drugs, crime, prison be used as a resource for other young people.

*that forums be created where youth can give their perpectives in terms of policy which affects their lives. A feeling that the particular difficulties of youth at this time are not taken into account eg high levels of debt from studying, insecure employment, pressures re drugs, using credit, sense of doom re the environment.

*that politicians be more available to listen to their concerns and to be role models for raising the level of community debate.

*that more legal spaces be created for youth art.

*more safe spaces where young (who may lack family support)and old can mix,listen to each other, find support, lower potential risks.

*that websites could be created specifically for their views to be expressed.