

Urban beats aimed to reduce youth violence

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[Adur & Worthing Safer Communities Partnership](#) have recently commissioned [Audio Active](#) to use music to engage young people at risk of being involved in serious violence and promote personal development. Audio Active are a groundbreaking music organisation working with Young People at the meeting point of technology and contemporary urban culture.

Audio Active have years of experience in working with young people, especially those who live with challenging circumstances through their year round weekly drop in services. This additional support from the Safer Communities Partnership allows Audio Active to build on the work already being delivered, including two free open access sessions in Worthing. Audio Active will use the additional funding to work intensively, one on one with Young People who are most at risk of serious violence.

The programme kicks-off in June and will run through the academic year. Audio Active will work alongside education providers, such as the Alternative Provision Colleges, to use music to engage young people. Young people will also benefit from building rapport with a trusted adult, helping them addressing some of the risk factors of violence by encouraging their passions, making informed decisions and building personal resilience.

This commission is supported by £19,000 granted to Adur & Worthing Safer Communities Partnership by the Sussex Police & Crime Commission (PCC) to bolster local provision for our young people. This sits alongside other programmes across Sussex who are being supported by the PCC's successful bid to the Home Office's Early Intervention Youth Fund.

This fund was designed to reduce the likelihood of young people being drawn into or who are already on the cusp of being involved in serious violence by working with services and supporting young people to thrive. By identifying those young people who are vulnerable at an early stage, there is the opportunity to engage them through positive activity.