**Community Organisers**

**At EASTBOURNE EXCHANGE event on Wednesday 18 May 2016 – Sports Hall Hillbrow**

Brief workshop – attended by approx 50 people – both students and non-students

# **What do you love about life in Eastbourne?**

The sea + sunshine coast / Space on the beach / Carpet gardens / The Downs / The Downland villages / Everything we need / Love it (but) / Access to beach and downs / Best cliffs – 7 sisters / More young families + diverse than before / Still have an independent cinema (will it survive?)

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Weather / seafront / architecture / Old Town / University / Clean town / unspoilt seafront / Town centre + Devonshire development / Parks

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The beach / The Downs / The Pier / Beachy Head / The weather / diversity / ice-cream + fish n chips / The Marshes road / Open events /

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The sea / The sense of community (small uni) / Student nights in clubs / free transport after nights out / the pier !

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The pier / The south downs / The beach / the harbour / the 99p ice cream stall / the safe community / The street pastors / market / street entertainment / Curzon

# **What would you change about Eastbourne ?**

No herring gulls / have a sandy beach / Lack of parking in some areas / will independent cinema survive?) / John Lewis / More volunteers needed in community centres / Make some neighbourhoods look a bit better off seafront (eastside)

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Better shops / no seagulls / more independent shops / better roads / more cycling / renovate pier / homelessness / more job opportunities / more parking / Hyde gardens back

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Parking / safety at night

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Parking / Arndale + High Street revamp / homeless provision / bus systems

# **What would you do to make a positive difference to your community ?**

Campaign / support independent cinema (no money)

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Schemes for homelessness + people in poverty / infrastructure + transport – quicker trains to London + road links / cycling routes to schools + university / parking (if had million pounds)

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Cycle paths / 'Boris' bikes / More bike racks & shelters (if had £10,000)

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Would make stronger links with local young people (of our own age!)

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Creating and spreading awareness of volunteering opportunities outside of university (if I had £1,000)

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