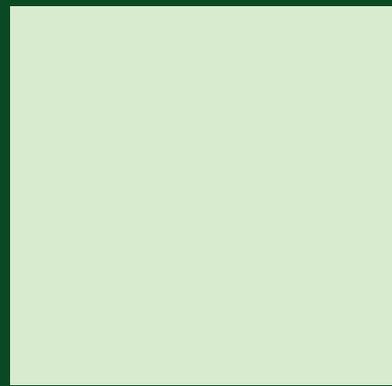


Sevenoaks TOWN Council



Sevenoaks Town Council Social Value Report – Youth Services (2024–2026)

Prepared from the Youth Services Evidence-
Based Report and aligned to the UK Social Value
Model and National TOMs
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Social Value Impact Summary.



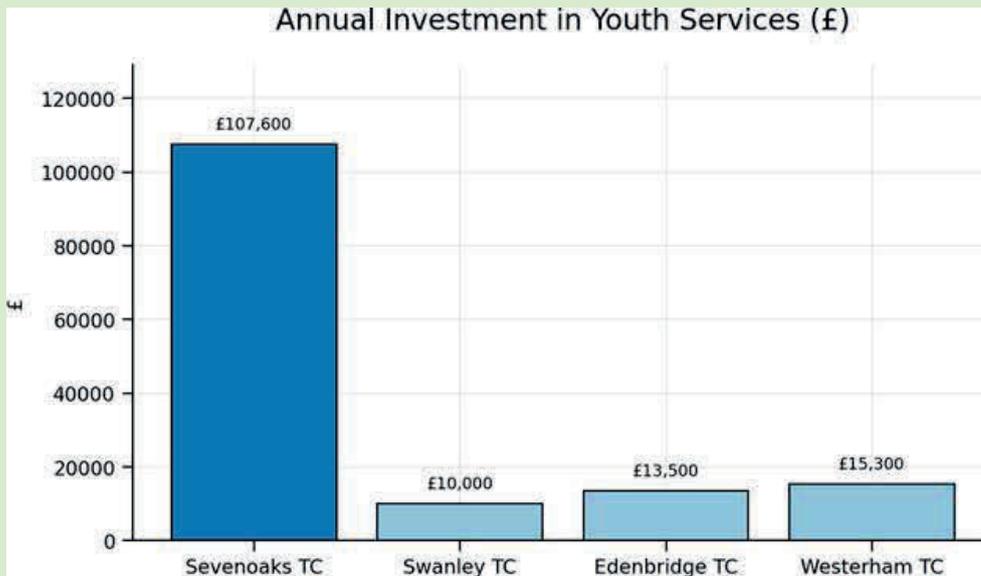
Highlights:

- High utilisation of open-access, youth-led provision at House in the Basement (HitB).
- Strong inclusive offer – with sustained SEN engagement and targeted sessions.
- Active youth voice with a record number of Youth Councillors influencing decisions.
- Partnership programmes delivering measurable community safety and education benefits.
- Extensive free-to-access play facilities supporting health and wellbeing.



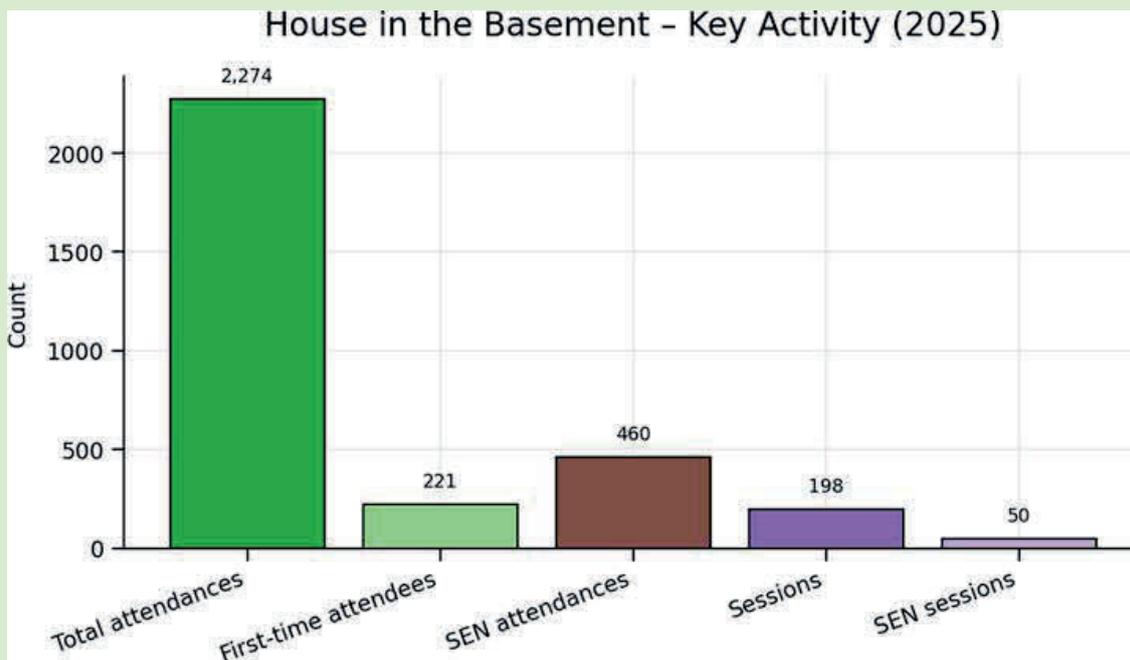
1. Investment and Reach

Sevenoaks Town Council invests significantly in youth services each year. The chart below shows how this commitment compares to neighbouring town councils in the district.

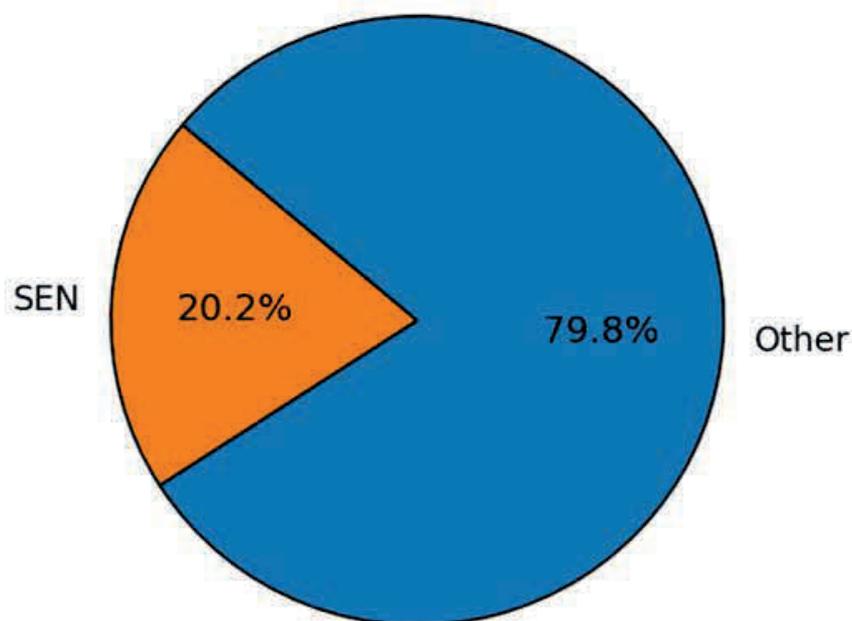


2. House in the Basement (HitB): Activity and Inclusion

HitB provides a safe, youth-led, central space for 11–17 year olds. Key activity indicators for the last full year are shown below:



SEN vs Other Attendances at HitB (2025)



3. Grants, Partnerships and Community Events

- Creative and cultural participation (e.g., Design a Christmas Light, Stag Youth Theatre, music organisations).
- Physical activity and inclusion (e.g., free and girls' skateboarding sessions; community skate events).
- Advice and early help for SEND families (e.g., We Are Beams clinics hosted at HitB).
- Town-wide free and low-cost events (Play Days, Open Theatre) and a network of play areas, skatepark and MUGA.



4. Youth Voice and Public Realm for Young People

The Sevenoaks Youth Council enables democratic participation and leadership opportunities for young people.



Council-managed play areas, skatepark and MUGA provide accessible, free spaces that encourage active lifestyles and community cohesion.



5. Framework Alignment: UK Social Value Model & National TOMs

The programme has been aligned to the UK Government’s Social Value Model (PPN 06/20) and mapped to example National TOMs measures where relevant for youth services.

This mapping is indicative and designed to support commissioning, monitoring and reporting.

| <u>STC activity</u> | <u>Social Value Model theme/outcome (PPN 06/20)</u> | <u>Indicative TOMs measures (examples)</u> |
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| House in the Basement – inclusive open access & SEN Club | Social Value Model: Wellbeing – improve health and wellbeing; Equal Opportunity – reduce the disability employment gap (where applicable via volunteering pathways). | Example TOMs: NT11 – hours supporting young people into work; NT8 – school/college visits & safety talks (where applicable). |
| Rail Safe Friendly Programme (with CRP) | Social Value Model: Wellbeing – improve health and wellbeing; Community integration and safety. | Example TOMs: NT8 – safety talks/school visits (hours). |
| Youth Council – youth voice & leadership | Social Value Model: Wellbeing – improve community integration; Equal Opportunity – tackling workforce inequality (leadership skills pipelines). | Example TOMs: NT11 – employability support for young people (e.g., mentoring, leadership skills sessions). |
| Grants to arts/sport/community orgs | Social Value Model: Wellbeing; Tackling Economic Inequality – skills and participation access. | Example TOMs: NT8 (talks/visits), NT9/NT10 (training/apprenticeships – where applicable). |

6. Emerging Needs and Opportunities

- Sustained support for 18+ with SEND – clearer pathways post-18.
- Renewed NEET engagement following the Moving Forward project (2023).
- Expand detached youth work to reach non-attenders and hotspot areas, subject to resources.
- Explore revived community-based group models with partners (e.g., adventure/skills programmes).



Methodology and Notes

Figures are taken from Sevenoaks Town Council's internal reporting for 2024–2026 and partner programme summaries. Alignment follows the UK Government Social Value Model (PPN 06/20) and indicative National TOMs examples; it is not a monetised valuation. Charts are illustrative to aid decision-making and communication.