Just some of the children and young people who have contributed:
**Children and Young People's Plan**

**Entertainment**
- More parks
- Swings in the middle of town
- Ice rink, laser tag, trampolines, courts (volleyball, netball, badminton etc.)
- Activity centres
- Hangout places
- Candy
- Sports for younger children
- Stop younger kids from feeling left out, scarred, manipulated when playing with older children
- Parks with access to disabled children
- Take them places (cinema, soft play, etc.)
- Sports for disabled children
- Inclusive services

**Reasoning**
- Overcrowded schools
- Assistance with work
- Support for school children
- School uniform
- Counseling in school
- With less overcrowded schools, there would be more opportunities for young people to learn.

**Reasoning**
- Cheaper housing
- Visuals for people gaining other housing for teenagers
- Elderly housing

**Reasoning**
- Hereford is terrible with roads and traffic
- Gives chance for make london ce
- Gives a chance to get away from home/college

**Reasoning**
- Ice rink, trampoline, skate park (skateboarding)
- Oral health is not working in plan
- Awareness
- Obesity awareness

**Reasoning**
- Food
- Starbucks
- Burger King
- Mac Donald’s
- Community Services
- Community Centre
- Public transport
- Counseling & support for yp
- Children’s gym
- Ice rink, trampoline
- Basketball courts
- Skate park (skateboarding)
- Oral health
- Disabilities
- NHS

**Reasoning**
- Work
- UIG work
- Work experience
- News paper
- Security
- People don't feel safe at night
- Security patrol
- Kidnapping

**Reasoning**
- Public transport
- Cycle paths
- Bus lanes
- Traffic
- Hereford is terrible with roads and traffic

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- Security
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Initial priorities from Children and Young People

Safe?

Community
Assets, safe places

Use of outdoor spaces, accessible for all

Getting out and about...

Safe?

mental health

GET EXPERIENCE

STAND OUT FROM THE CROWD

Welcome
We are building an inclusive community

VS.

food
Almost a quarter of reception age children (4-5yrs) and over a third of year 6 children (aged 10-11yrs) are overweight or obese (2016/17).

In 2014/15 the proportion of Herefordshire’s 5 year olds free from dental decay (59 per cent) was lower than the figures for both England and the West Midlands while the mean number of decayed, missing or filled teeth in 5 year olds in Herefordshire was 1.43, a figure twice as high as in the West Midlands and 30 per cent higher than that for England as a whole.

Findings so far... health and wellbeing

Healthy options often more expensive

Need information and advice about healthy food choices

Healthwatch: Educational messages around; low sugar, healthy eating and oral health

Not easy to get to dentist/ hospital appointments– have to take a whole day out of school
We want a voice for children and young people in Herefordshire.

Make mental health clinics and groups better promoted

More places to be calm in Hereford and Ledbury

Better support for children and young people with anxiety issues: We suffer with busy anxiety and anxiety within busy places like schools

We need somewhere to go which is non-judgmental, where we won’t get a label of “you have a mental health problem”

We need to know more about what mental health issues there are out there

Promoting Children and Young People being proud and confident about their identity

Counselling provision across Herefordshire varies

Closer mental health services for rural areas

In Herefordshire, an estimated 8,620 children and young people require support with their mental health or emotional resilience.
Standards rising in both primary and secondary schools and academies but, gaps widening for FSM and disadvantaged pupils. Poor social mobility in Herefordshire. Progress and attainment scores for children with SEN support/ statement or EHC plan need to improve.

Herefordshire need to receive better education about young people with special educational needs/ disability and promote “more understanding” “equal rights in Herefordshire,” “less bullying.”

Make sure every child has an equal education

There is a lack of support for young people who are transitioning into adults

We need more work experience opportunities, incl jobs for under 16’s

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Make the most of the new university, support to follow your dreams

Non FSM: 16.5

Non disadvantaged: 15.6
In January 2018 there were 309 looked after children in Herefordshire. This is 84 per 10,000 of the population which is high in comparison to statistical neighbours.

Stakeholder feedback has highlighted the need for a stronger approach to early identification and early help.

Slight, serious, or fatal collisions, although smaller number, are a higher rate per 100,000 than the UK, but similar to statistical neighbours (data from 2011-15)

Findings so far... safety

- Make Herefordshire roads safer for children and young people, slowing traffic
- E-Safety in schools
- I don’t feel safe in Hereford
- Education re: safety and healthy relationships
- we want to feel safe at night and for our parents to feel safe letting us out

Children should have a stronger voice
Findings so far... environment and community

- There is not enough transport in the rural areas of Herefordshire.
- We need more cycle paths and less potholes.
- Traffic is a problem, and speed limits are needed.
- Litter is an issue, need to encourage recycling.
- Want to be involved in community developments and activities.
- More sport and outdoor activities/ community play areas, accessible to all.
- Create a safe place for us to meet our friends without our parents.
- Safer roads and safer environment for animals.
- Opportunities to mix with other children, helping younger children.
- We need more cycle paths and less potholes.
Much to be proud of...

The lovely wildlife and the sound of the birds singing
Good countryside
Lots of wildlife and makes me happy
It is a nice environment

Good schools
Social workers are kind and helpful
Doctors are good
I like to come to school

It is very friendly in Hereford.
Ledbury is a friendly place
“I have made more friends here than anywhere else I have lived.”
“Amazing schools” and “amazing town.”