

Preventing isolation of young people during COVID-19 - Space* Youth Services in Devon are going digital from Tuesday 14th April

Lockdown measures are hard for everyone, but especially hard for young people. Schools, colleges and youth clubs are all closed. Restricted movement is putting young people in greater danger. For some, home is not a safe place. Increases in domestic violence, drug & alcohol consumption, loss of income, mean that young people are at significant risk.

Erin (15) says "*not having the usual face to face support is scary*". She's worried about her mental health over time in this lockdown.

You can help prevent isolation of young people across Devon. Your support would provide safe online connection and support to young people.

We're launching our [services online](#) on Tuesday 14th April. But not all young people are online. You can help us to provide equipment to enable them to get online and connect with friends and trusted youth workers.

We've launched a [Coronavirus- Preventing Isolation Appeal](#)

Funds will go towards the purchase of laptops and headphones for youth workers and SIM cards & phone credit for young people. Our online youth clubs will allow young people to interact and engage in fun (boredom busting) activities. Youth workers run fun activities, as well as using video chats for groups and one to one support.

Scott (16) says "*It's helped to know there is a grown up that wants to help*"

You can help us to prevent isolation for young people in Devon, by:

- Following us (and liking and sharing our posts) on [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#), [LinkedIn](#) and [Twitter](#)
- Sharing this email with friends, family & colleagues
- Signing up to our [newsletter here](#)
- [Clicking here to donate to our Coronavirus- Preventing Isolation Appeal](#)

Alison donated £50 and said: "*Vital initiative. Deserves massive support.*"

Your support will make all the difference to the lives of young people in Devon.
Thank you