

Rural Vulnerability Day

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Tuesday, 10th March 2020
10am – 2pm

[The Attlee Suite, Portcullis House, Parliament, London, SW1A 2JR](#)

Agenda

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| 10:00 – 10:15 | Registration
With refreshments available on arrival |
| 10.15 – 10.30 | Introduction and Welcome
The Rt Hon. Philip Dunne MP, Chair of APPG for Rural Services |
| First Session
10.30 – 11.00 | Challenges facing rural 16-18 year olds in accessing appropriate education and work based learning
Presentation by Dr Jane Hart, Director, Rural England CIC |
| 11.00 – 11.15 | Issues relating to young people finding work in his Constituency
Comments by Huw Merriman MP (Bexhill & Battle) |
| 11.15 – 11.30 | EU Youth Dialogue: Progress & Updates – Implementation phase
Presentation by Andrea Ugrinoska, International Participation Coordinator, British Youth Council |
| 11.30 – 11.45 | Q&A and Discussion |

Second Session

11.45 – 12.15

Presentations from young people living in rural areas and and their representative organisations

Rural isolation and lack of infrastructure

Introduction by Nik Harwood, Chief Executive, Young Somerset
and Chairman, Rural Services Partnership

Presentation by Chris Bown and Shalia Frew on their
experiences as young people living in Somerset

The challenges and opportunities for young people growing up in rural areas

Introduction by Shernyse Lee, Engagement and Advocacy
Manager, UK Youth

Presentation by Ema on transport issues and Joshua on lack of
opportunities for BME students. Both represent UK Youth Voice

12.15 – 12.30

Q&A and Discussion

12.30 – 13:00

Lunch and Networking Opportunity

Third Session

13:00 – 13:30

Tailoring housing to address the needs of young people

Presentation by Gavin Jones, Head of Communications and
External Affairs, Hastoe Group

Short Q&A

13:30 – 13:45

Closing Comments

N.B. The Attlee Suite must be cleared by 14.00 p.m.