

# Funding the Future

## Social transformation need not be expensive

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This [morning's short video](#) has now been published. In it, I suggest that social transformation sounds expensive and complicated, but it could be as simple as supporting youth clubs, which could be massively socially beneficial for remarkably little cost.



You [can view the video here](#).

The transcript is:

*Social transformation need not be complicated.*

*It sounds like a big deal. It sounds like massive engineering.*

*It sounds as though vast amounts of money need to be spent.*

*And I saw a really good article in the last week which asked why don't we reopen youth clubs because there are so many young people in the UK desperate for somewhere to go, something to do, somewhere to meet people in a safe environment, and somewhere that they need not drink - because, frankly, it's very hard to drink if you're under age now and a lot of young people don't want to anyway.*

*Youth clubs meet that bill. They do actually provide the opportunity for people to get together. I remember them having a very positive role in my life when I was a late teenager. I don't know why they can't for other people still, and I'm sure they could.*

*If Labour wanted a simple, socially transformative idea, youth clubs could be it.*