

# ELECTION '24

## 10 SUPPORTS FOR YOUTH SERVICES



Youth Work Ireland

### OUR INDEPENDENCE

- 1 A Cabinet Committee on youth and ministerial responsibility at the highest level.
- 2 Maintain the central role of the voluntary sector in youth work provision.
- 3 Prioritise frontline work over administration and disproportionate compliance.

### OUR WORKFORCE

- 4 Equal treatment for Youth - the same support package provided to Section 10, 39 & 56 workers.

### OUR FUNDING

- 5 Provide catch up funding to reach pre financial crash levels, and to cope with critical inflationary impacts and support youth clubs.

### OUR SPACE

- 6 A significant capital programme for youth facilities supported by rainy day funds.

### OUR HEALTH

- 7 A properly functioning CAMHS service, and a pilot scheme of youth counselling delivered by Youth Services under a National Health Strategy for Young People.

### OUR HOMES

- 8 Implementation of the Youth Homelessness Strategy and proper data on the issue.
- 9 Legal clarity for licensees in shared rented properties particularly the rent a room scheme is required.

### OUR FUTURE

- 10 Introduce votes at 16 as a key measure to prioritise youth issues, piloted for local and European elections by legislation.

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