

# RUSSIAN PROBLEM SOLVING IDEAS

BY THE DREAM TEAM NO.1

# **PROBLEM 1 : VANDALISM IN PARKS AND PUBLIC AREAS**

**CAUSE: YOUNG PEOPLE ARE BORED?**

**PROCESS: COMMUNICATE WITH RUSSIAN STUDENTS THROUGH VK**

***‘Are there any main areas that are effected by vandalism?’***

***‘What are the main reasons you think as to why this vandalism is occurring?’***

**VANDALISM IN THE UK: BUS SHELTERS, TRAIN STATIONS, ABANDONED AREAS, PARKS**



# PROCESS: VANDALISM IN YEKATERINBURG

## AUGUST 2012



**‘On Friday night, a monument to former Russian president Boris Yeltsin in central Yekaterinburg was doused with paint and lettering on its base was knocked off.’**

**<http://themoscownews.com/russia/20120824/190130970.html>**

**<http://yekaterinburgnews.com/daily-news/statue-of-yeltsin-vandalized-in-yekaterinburg/2350/>**

## Statue of Yeltsin vandalized in Yekaterinburg

August 27, 2012 by Thomas Mills

Police found a monument to Russian President Boris Yeltsin in Yekateirburg vandalized on Friday.

Blue paint was used to disfigure an inscription of the leader's name, [RIA Novosti](#) reports.

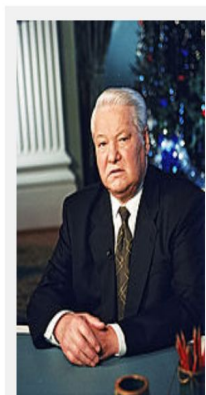
The statue was unveiled in February 2011 to mark the leader's 80th birthday. The 10-meter marble statue is located in Yeltsin's home town of Yekaterinburg, where the damage was discovered on Friday.

Yeltsin played a key role in burying the Soviet Union, leading to his role as Russia's first president. He died of heart failure in 2007.

The Communist Party said it would pay lawyer fees if the offenders were found, [RIA Novosti](#) reports.

"This support is due to the fact that we share the feelings of the political vandals and fear that their right for a fair trial could be violated," top party official Alexander Ivachyov wrote on his blog, [RIA Novosti](#) reports.

If convicted, the vandals face up to three months of detention.



Boris Yeltsin

Russia



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## Vandals deface Yeltsin monument in Yekaterinburg

by [Evgeniya Chaykovskaya](#) at 24/08/2012 18:10

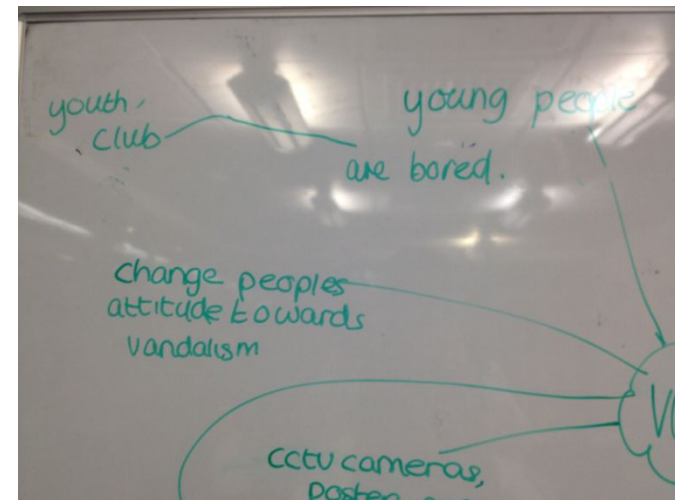
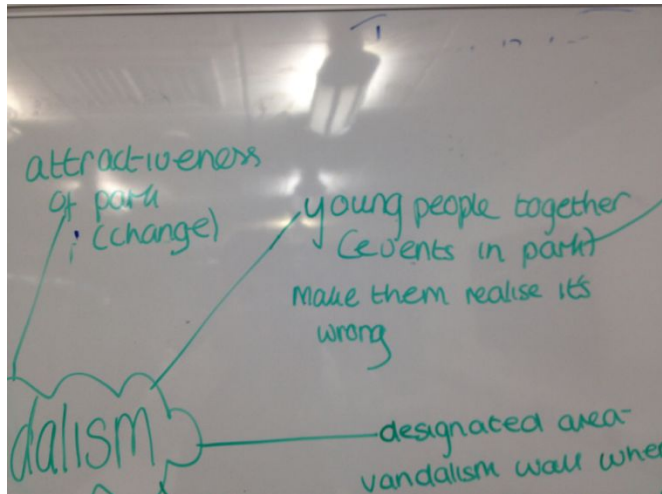
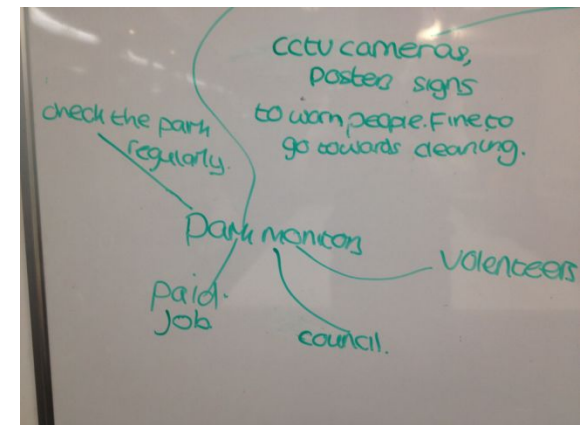
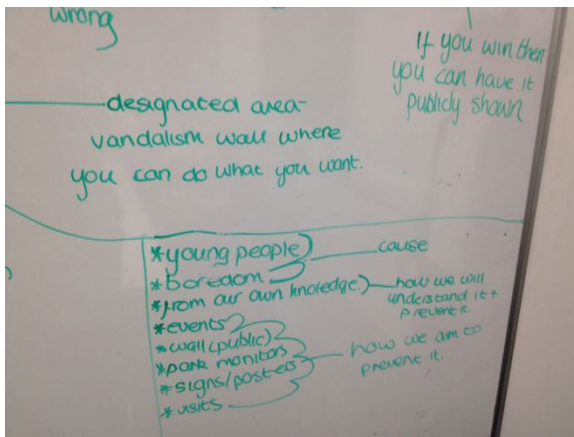
On Friday night, a monument to former Russian president Boris Yeltsin in central Yekaterinburg was doused with paint and lettering on its base was knocked off.

A police patrol discovered that the monument was defaced on Friday morning. The marble figure of Russia's first president was doused with blue paint. An investigative group has been formed to find the vandals.

Professional cleaners had to use chemicals to remove the paint, but replacing the letters will take time, the local police website said.

The perpetrators, if found, could face up to three months in jail on charges of vandalism.

Yeltsin supporters outraged



# VANDALISM: OUR FINAL SOLUTION

- Designated activity area for young people, in which graffiti art can take place.
- How we imagine the activity area..

**A park, a skate park, a playing field, a tuck shop, a spray paint stall.**

## **Feasibility:**

- **Volunteers to run tuck shop/spray paint stall.**
- **Park monitors – to make sure graffiti doesn't occur outside the area.**
- **Needs to make profit**



# ***PROBLEM 2: NOT ENOUGH ACTIVITIES FOR THE ELDERLY***

## ***Process:***

**We first thought of different activities that Elderly people in the UK like to do for fun.**

**We then asked the Russian students over Skype what activities Elderly people in Yekaterinburg like to do for fun. They replied with:**

- **Dancing**
- **Gardening**

**This then gave us ideas for the types of weekly activities we could arrange.**







**Alex Christie**

Online

Hi everyone, i am here with my group and we have a few questions to ask you about the issues that you have raised.

1. Are there any specific parks and public places that are vandalised?
2. is there any main reasons why peopole are vandalising, also s it a main age group?

20 Nov at 5:11 pm

Like ♥



**Evgenia Korepanova**

- 1.Yes,there are.
2. Many of these people are in a state of alcoholic intoxication or under the drug. Sometimes it is people with mental disabilities.

20 Nov at 6:10 pm



**Ksenia Baklukova**

in our city vandalism is everywhere: on buildings, on public transport. Some times ago monument to Yeltsin was circumfused with paint

20 Nov at 6:12 pm



**Evgenia Golubeva**

2. It's not always only because of alcohol, drugs and problems with mental health. Sometimes it is protest against government as it happened with the above monument to Yeltsin.

20 Nov at 6:54 pm



# PROCESS:

## Mind Map of our initial ideas:

Young people  
and Elderly  
people have  
trade-in  
knowledge  
sections.



E.g. Teach the  
Elderly how to  
dance and  
teach the  
Teenagers  
how too



Weekly  
Activities

E.g. Dancing,  
gardening,  
cooking etc.

Bake  
Off

Teenagers

judge the  
competitions  
- gets them  
involved in  
the

# LACK OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE ELDERLY: OUR FINAL SOLUTION

- Social events for old aged people held weekly
- Activities we envisaged...

**Dancing, baking, bingo, whist drive, exercise classes, regular competitions**

## Feasibility

- Small charge of £1
- People to run sessions
- Venue for events

