(odds ratios, 0.5 and 0.8, respectively) and with expressing less than strong disagreement that it is difficult to show affection (0.5 and 0.8, respectively); youth who had talked about contraception before first intercourse with their most recent partner were less likely than others to have some difficulty showing affection and to less than strongly agree that spending time with a partner is enjoyable (1.4 and 1.5, respectively). Adolescents who did not enjoy their most recent sex were more likely than others to not strongly agree that physical contact and spending time with a partner are enjoyable (3.0 and 1.9, respectively). These models showed no significant gender interactions.

**DISCUSSION**

To our knowledge, this study is the most comprehensive analysis of young people’s evaluation of their early sexual relationships on a large scale in Britain. We hope that it partially redresses the biases of research funding and