

Pro Forma for Participation Works Network for England regional case studies

Region: East of England	
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The sector this case study is an example of:	
Voluntary sector activity	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Statutory sector activity	<input type="checkbox"/>
Corporate sector activity	<input type="checkbox"/>
The themes this case study can be used to support (<i>tick all that apply</i>):	
Arts & creativity	<input type="checkbox"/>
Commissioning	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Early Years	<input type="checkbox"/>
Faith	<input type="checkbox"/>
Funding	<input type="checkbox"/>
Governance	<input type="checkbox"/>
Hard to reach groups	<input type="checkbox"/>
Health	<input type="checkbox"/>
Inclusive practice	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Learning & research	<input type="checkbox"/>
Measuring change	<input type="checkbox"/>
Online tools	<input type="checkbox"/>
Rights/citizenship	<input type="checkbox"/>
Safeguarding	<input type="checkbox"/>
Standards	<input type="checkbox"/>
Workforce development	<input type="checkbox"/>
Youth-led project	<input type="checkbox"/>
Name of project: Young Panellists	
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Aims of the project: To involve young people in decision making on council contracts and grants awards.	
Timeline for the project (expected start and finish date, if known): On going	
How many young people were involved? 10	
What changes has children & young people's involvement led to? Contributed to decisions on tenders that involved delivery of children and young people's services within Cambridgeshire and also awards made to	

groups to deliver positive activities to young people.
<p>What did children and young people involved in this work achieve from this experience?</p> <p>Confidence, awareness of services that impact on children and young people within the county. Awareness and involvement of the tendering process and grants awarded by the County and District councils. Some of the young people are going on to be Young Evaluators for the Heritage Lottery Fund due to their involvement in this process.</p>
<p>What next for the project?</p> <p>This will be ongoing now as the tenders and contracts become available.</p>
<p>What next for the participants?</p> <p>Further development and further involvement in tender processes and grant applications. Involvement in the Big Plan 2 priorities and funding streams.</p>
<p>Quotes from staff, management, children, parents/ carers:</p> <p>‘This has given me the confidence to go on to get involved with more things’ – Young person</p> <p>‘The young people were outstanding. Very professional and very knowledgeable about grants’ – Area Manager</p> <p>‘I like to think that my involvement has made a difference to young people within Cambridgeshire’ – Young person</p>

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