

## Pro Forma for Participation Works Network for England regional case studies

<b>Region: North West</b>	
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The sector this case study is an example of:	
Voluntary sector activity	<input type="checkbox"/>
Statutory sector activity	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Corporate sector activity	<input type="checkbox"/>
The themes this case study can be used to support:	
Arts & creativity	<input type="checkbox"/>
Commissioning	<input 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 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"/>
Other: Involving young people in recruitment & selection	
<b>Name of project: Bolton Transforming Youth Work</b>	
<b>Aims of the project:</b> To involve young people in the recruitment and selection of staff at Bolton Council.	
<b>Who funded this project?</b> Bolton Council	
<b>How were children &amp; young people involved in decision-making?</b> Children and young people have been involved in the appointment of senior staff including Head of the Youth Service, Head of Early Start and the Assistant Director of Children's Integrated service.  Some young people from the project obtained funding for and organised a conference on binge drinking following consultation with young people and policymakers.	
<b>What changes has children &amp; young people's involvement led to?</b> The Director of Children's Services asked for a business plan to roll out a toolkit the young people designed on safer drinking. The young people have been awarded a 15k grant to produce the toolkits and organise a launch.	

**What did children and young people involved in this work achieve from this experience?**

Young people found it useful to be able to express their views, thoughts about issues that affect them in a safe environment and voice concerns they have about organisations that are meant to support their communities but however do not, they feel, do this effectively.

Participation Works wants to share your good practice to a wider audience to enable others to learn from your experience and develop their own participation practice.