

Pro Forma for Participation Works Network for England regional case studies

Region: Yorkshire & Humber	
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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 type="checkbox"/>
Early Years	<input type="checkbox"/>
Faith	<input type="checkbox"/>
Funding	<input type="checkbox"/>
Governance	<input type="checkbox"/>
Hard to reach groups	<input checked="" 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"/>
Other: Involving young people in recruitment & selection	
Name of project: Peerlink project	
Name of lead person on project: Amanda Painter	
Contact information for further details: Peerlink project, Archway, 95 Roundhay Road, Leeds, LS8 5AQ	
Aims of the project: To provide training in conflict resolution and facilitation for a group of vulnerably housed young people.	
Please name any other organisations involved if this was a project developed as a partnership: LEAP	
Who funded this project? Archway	
How many young people were involved? 10 Young People	

<p>How were children & young people involved in decision-making? Following the training the young people wanted to train others. They led workshops on conflict resolution and facilitation for other young people and two for Connexions PAs.</p>
<p>What changes has children & young people's involvement led to? Young people have developed some understanding of conflict in their lives. Further it has enabled them to pass those skills on as the experts and trainers.</p> <p>The activity was also successful because Archway continued to work with the group and meet with them on a regular basis so that they their skills didn't get lost.</p>
<p>What did children and young people involved in this work achieve from this experience?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Developed their self confidence • Learnt new skills • Personal development to help them deal with problems and help others
<p>What next for the project? LEAP is running some more training with a new group this year, and hopes to include some of the participants from the old course to help out.</p>
<p>What next for the participants? Participants to get involved in delivering training for a new group.</p>
<p>Quotes from staff, management, children, parents/ carers: 'It has taught me a lot of important things and helped me learn more about myself.'</p>

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