

Pro Forma for Participation Works Network for England regional case studies

Region: London	
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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 checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Safeguarding	<input type="checkbox"/>
Standards	<input type="checkbox"/>
Workforce development	<input type="checkbox"/>
Youth-led project	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Name of project: Discussing Diversity / Clash and Connect	
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Aims of the project: To create a Discussing Diversity activity pack enabling youth workers to create safe spaces for discussion within their clubs and to launch this pack at Clash and Connect a youth led pan-London diversity conference.	
Timeline for the project (expected start and finish date, if known): Oct 08 – Oct 09	
Please name any other organisations involved if this was a project developed as a partnership:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Every Disabled Child Matters • Stonewall 	
Who funded this project? Metropolitan Police Service	
How many young people were involved? 200+	

<p>What changes has children & young people's involvement led to?</p> <p>Everything. All activities included in the resource pack were chosen, created or adapted by young people. Every aspect of the diversity conference was decided by a steering group of young people.</p>
<p>What did children and young people involved in this work achieve from this experience?</p> <p>Experience of designing and delivering diversity based activities, event management and team work skills.</p>
<p>What next for the project?</p> <p>The Discussing Diversity Activity pack has now been distributed to all London Youth's clubs and the learning from it is now being put into a training programme for youth workers on preventing violent extremism.</p>
<p>What next for the participants?</p> <p>Volunteers from the project continue to be involved with London Youth and its projects.</p>
<p>Quotes from staff, management, children, parents/ carers:</p> <p>"Up until today I'd never talked to anyone who was gay, I never knew people were born gay and I never realised what a damaging effect homophobic bullying has in schools and youth clubs."</p> <p>Quote from young person who took part in workshop on homophobia at Clash and Connect.</p>

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