

Pro Forma for Participation Works Network for England regional case studies

Region: London			
Date of submission: March 2008			
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"/>		
Please indicate which themes this case study can be used to support (<i>tick all that apply</i>):			
Arts & creativity	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Learning & research	<input type="checkbox"/>
Commissioning	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Measuring change	<input type="checkbox"/>
Early Years	<input type="checkbox"/>	Online tools	<input type="checkbox"/>
Faith	<input type="checkbox"/>	Rights/citizenship	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Funding	<input type="checkbox"/>	Safeguarding	<input type="checkbox"/>
Governance	<input type="checkbox"/>	Standards	<input type="checkbox"/>
Hard to reach groups	<input type="checkbox"/>	Workforce development	<input type="checkbox"/>
Health	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Youth-led project	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Inclusive practice	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Name of project:			
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Aims of the project:			
The project was set up by Newham Youth Parliament (NYP) to involve young people in the planning, evaluation and delivery of public services in Newham.			
Please name any other organisations involved if this was a project developed as a partnership:			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Newham PCT • Met Police • Newham Youth Service • East London Mental Health Trust • Young Minds • GLA Participatory Advisory Group 			
How were children & young people involved in decision-making?			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 'Love Life' project identified and developed Youth Leaders • Youth inspectors assessed school councils • Children's Question Time Event led to development of Children's Parliament • Youth Health Programme – young people devised a survey to gather young people's feedback about services delivered by the PCT • Set up young people's panel to assess funding applications to 370K 			

<p>funding allocation, designed and produced publicity, application forms guidance notes and marking scheme. Plus workshops to help young people apply for funding</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Participation in local and regional consultations
<p>What did children and young people involved in this work achieve from this experience?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 35 reps achieved silver and gold 'Youth Achievement', MV and Peer Training accreditation • Selected for evaluation as a successful example of the Youth Opportunity Fund • Interviewed by NYA for good practice publication after inspectors had rated NYP as 'outstanding'
<p>What next for the participants?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One secured contract to set up a radio station and another went on to be regional coordinator of the UKYP • Others graduating to be the youth workers, psychologists, economists, scientists and artists of tomorrow
<p>Quotes from staff, management, children, parents/ carers: 'In my time with NYP I have achieved beyond my wildest expectations, met people who amazed me, influenced me and helped to shape me. I'm now moving on to be regional coordinator of the UKYP.</p>

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.