

TOP 10 TIPS FOR INVOLVING YOUNG PEOPLE

1. Was it Young Person Led?

Were young people involved from the start of the process; planning and leading activities?

2.Support

Was support provided to the young people as & when they needed it?

3. Appropriate training

Was the training provided for the adults and young people to give them the skills and knowledge to enable them to work together?

4. Lead person with responsibility for young people

Was someone identified in the organisation who young people knew they could go to for information and who would get things done?

5. Never Assume

Were young people asked for their opinions and ideas before any actions were taken?

6. Keep young people informed

Did someone make sure young people knew what was happening, even if it was not what they might have wanted to hear?

7. Inclusion

Were as many young people involved as possible? Working with the same young people can keep other young people away.

8. Incentives & Rewards

What was in it for them to participate? Sometimes a thank you may be all that is required.

9. Jargon

Was young person friendly language used, and acronyms avoided or explained? NEET's, CAF, ECM, CSE, LSCB, LAC, JSNA, CCG...

10. Was it fun?

What's the point if it's not fun?!