

YPiN

Consultation Process

‘For organisations that would like to consult with young people through the representative group, Young People in Northumberland’

The Young People in Northumberland (YPiN) group is a representative group of young people from across Northumberland. They are representative of many partner organisations as listed below:

- Splinter group; a group of young people with learning difficulties who support each other with regular meetings and contact
- Connexions; we have representatives of connexions through young people who have contributed to some of their participation groups
- Looked After Children; we have two members who are also part of the Looked after Children's participation group called Voices Making Choices
- Youth Service; we have a number of participants who initially made contact with the Local Authorities Youth Service
- Hexham Youth Initiative; this is a youth project based in the voluntary sector.
- Youth Cabinet; this is a group of young people elected by young people to be involved in the decision making process across Northumberland.
- WOWI; we have representation from a LGBT (Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender) group based in Northumberland.
- UK Youth Parliament; this is another elected group of young people who voice Northumberland young people's opinions on a national level.
- Youth Offending Service; we have young people who have been involved with the youth offending service.
- Teenage Pregnancy; some of our members have accessed YPiN through awareness raising sessions around teenage pregnancy
- Positive Futures; one of our members is involved in positive futures which is a group supporting young people to involve themselves in a variety of new and exciting experiences.

One of YPiN's important roles is to be a voice for the young people they represent by being consulted on a variety of issues. They have constructed the attached process by which organisations and policy makers must agree to prior to any part of the process beginning.

Stage of consultation	Your commitment	YP
Prior to consultation	<p>To attend a YPiN meeting at least two weeks prior to the consultation, providing the young people with the following information:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Background information on the organisation - What your organisations main aims and objectives are - Why you want to consult with young people - What form of consultation you wish to partake in (how you foresee the consultation taking place) - Who's views you want to gather (is there a specific targeted group of young people who you would like to particularly consult with) - How this consultation would make a difference for young people across Northumberland - What happens with the information gathered 	<p>To agree To oth if th peo of t</p>
Consultation	<p>To host an event whereby the young people can be consulted on the issues that the organisation needs young people's thoughts on.</p> <p>To think creatively on ways to consult with the young people, using presentations, written reports, group discussion and interactive sessions.</p>	<p>To con pro the sug If t are enc con of tim</p>
Following Consultation	<p>To take the feedback from the YPiN group into consideration when making any changes to policy or when developing the work that was consulted on.</p> <p>To provide the YPiN group with written feedback on the form attached (Appendix 1) within two months of the consultation taking place.</p>	<p>To you con To dev obj Th for fee dis</p>

	To update the YPiN group with feedback on the impact their consultation had on your work/policy etc.	If Y rec con list org con
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APPENDIX 1:

Consultation Review

Organisation name:

Date:

What changes have been made as a result of the consultation?	
What has been achieved from those changes?	
Do you think the changes have been effective?	
What have been the benefits of consulting with YPiN?	
Please provide some constructive feedback from the consultation	
Would you recommend the YPiN as a consultation group and why?	