

Inner West Children and Young People Sub Group

Children & Young People Engagement Strategy

AIM: To establish a framework for the Inner West Community Committee and its partners to effectively engage with children and young people to enable them to influence the delivery of services including projects funded through the Youth Activities Fund.

There will be four levels of engagement overseen by the Inner West Children and Young People Sub Group:

1) Consultation with groups of young people in community or school settings.

The sub group will deliver a rolling programme of engagement with children and young people in community settings which include events, youth groups, and schools. As part of the conversation with the young people, a standard set of questions will be asked to establish a broad picture of their views.

2) Ward Based engagement groups

Partners from both Leeds City Council and other youth service providers will establish ward based engagement groups that meet at least once a quarter to for young people to discuss issues in more depth and review applications for the Youth Activities Fund. They will also be offered the opportunity to 'mystery shop' local provision.

3) Inner West Children and Young People's Board

Each engagement group will nominate up to five young people to join the Inner West Children and Young People's Board. This will meet at least twice a year and will look in depth at the priorities and feedback from the wider consultation and engagement groups. The Board will meet directly with members of the Community Committee and service providers where appropriate. The Board will also review the monitoring from the activities commissioned by the Youth Activities Fund.

4) Marketing

The Children and Young People Sub Group will oversee marketing and publicity for activities and engagement opportunities across the area. Marketing strategies will be based on feedback from children and young people and delivery will be monitored for impact and awareness.

Stakeholders:

Name	Role
Inner West Community Committee	Oversee strategy, participate in consultation, meet with the CYP Board, commission YAF based on feedback from children and young people.
West North West Area Support Team	Monitor delivery of engagement strategy, undertake consultation, run the YAF commissioning process.
Youth Offer Team	Support the delivery of ward based engagement groups, manage the CYP Board
Geographically Targeted Youth Service Providers: LCC Youth Service, Barca Leeds, YMCA	Manage the three ward based engagement groups, undertake consultation, recruit to the CYP Board
Other youth service providers & Schools	Promote engagement opportunities, undertake consultation
Breeze Out of School Team	Undertake consultation at Breeze events, promote the Breeze website
Clusters	Promote engagement opportunities, undertake consultation