# Outer West Area Committee - Youth Activities Fund Project Summary

Project Name	Creative Writing through Illustration	
Amount applied for	£380.00	
Lead Organisation	Pudsey Cluster	
Ward		

### Pitch to young people

A creative writing through illustration workshop is taking place for young people aged between 8 and 17. This is a new kind of creative-writing workshop, led by award-winning author / illustrator Lynne Chapman, using children's natural love of drawing to inspire story writing. It is designed to stretch the imagination in new ways. It works equally well with gifted & talented children and with reluctant readers/writers.

Through question and answer techniques, Lynne helps the children to create a protagonist together, drawing their suggestions on the flipchart. The children choose ways to build up the illustration around their central character, to create a back-story and current dilemma.

The children use group work and oral storytelling to take a variety of storylines forward. Given time, the children enlarge on their individual stories by creating their own illustrations.

Lynne (Children's Author and Illustrator) explains the importance of dialogue and demonstrates how to choose exciting starting places when writing, to grab the reader. Everyone creates a dramatic opening for their story.

#### Full details of the project

A new kind of creative-writing workshop, using children's love of drawing to inspire story writing. Through question and answer techniques I help the children to create a protagonist at the flipchart and we gradually build up an illustration to create the character's story. The children use group work and oral storytelling to take a variety of stories forward, and then they are shown how to choose exciting places to begin writing, to grab the reader. Given time the children enlarge on their individual stories by creating their own illustrations. The facilitator will choose exciting starting places when writing to grab the reader so everyone creates a dramatic opening for their story. This works really well with reluctant readers/writers. The day will be broken down into 2 sessions' morning and afternoon to cater appropriately for different age ranges. The morning session will run 10.00-12.00 for 8-13 year olds and then 12.45-2.45 for 14-17 year olds.

The staffing would include Lynne Chapman a Children's author and Illustrator and a member of the Cluster team for each session. (The cost for the Cluster member of staff would not need reimbursing).

## When will the project run?

The workshops will be run at Priesthorpe School on either the 9th of April or the 15th of April (to be confirmed).

10.00-12.00: 8-13 year olds. 12.45-2.45pm: 14-17 year olds.

#### How many young people can attend?

Each session can hold a maximum of	of 30 young people.			
Other organisations involved				
Financial Information				
How much funding is required?	£380.00			
Do the group have any funding	No			
from somewhere else?				
Full Break day of Co.	1			
Full Breakdown of Costs				
Item		Youth Activities Fund		
1 full day of creative writing throug	h illustration	£380.00		
Total		£380.00		
Details of volunteers				
N/A				
Area Support Team Comments				