

Response 110.

Youth Work Statutory framework consultation.

A group of young people gave feedback on the consultation, below:

Questions 1 and 2.

- Easier wording.
- Youth workers help and support young people. They also give young people opportunities. However, the current definition does cover the jobs of a youth worker.
- Youth workers support and help young people they give young people loads of opportunities.
- Youth workers provide opportunities beneficial to young people.
- Might be more beneficial to simplify the definition so its more understandable to young people.
- I agree with the statement but how does this apply to other clubs i.e. drama and sports clubs
- Overall, I am happy with the definition, it covers youth work really well but maybe simplify the words a bit though
- Yes, however the wording is complex and should be simplified
- Youth workers help and guide young people. They also give their own time and may not have a qualification. However, the definition doesn't cover all of youth work.
- Youth work is opportunities provided to younger individuals that educate and teach them about present and past world topics/ issues. Also appreciating cultural differences of how different countries work.
- I agree with the current definition.
- Expand the definition so people can understand.

Question 3.

- Yes because it can help people and they can access it meaning they can have opinions.
- Not really, because plans change over time. I would prefer things to be tackled one problem at a time so they count.
- Yes as people in the local area can access and see the plan. This means they can feedback any input they may have.
- Yes because young people can know what is happening near them.

Question 4.

- I think it would make a difference because it gives people something to aim for, therefore increasing the likelihood of it being achieved.
- I don't think it will make a massive change to how youth work will change and the activities we do but I still think it's a good idea to show in the plans for it leads to the goals and the positive input it will make.
- I think it would because people/ local authorities were held to stricter goals it would be more likely the changes would occur in the community.
- Yes, because they would have the power to make and change decisions!
- No, because things change.
- No, I don't believe it will make a change as you would have to convince people to get on board with the idea
- Yes, it would help more young people involved to reach their goals.
- No, I don't think it will because people won't keep to it, but I think it could be beneficial to the youth workers.
- No, as things can change.
- I think it would as youth workers may set goals and may also motivate more people to get involved with youth work.
- Yes, it would make a difference as it would allow all individuals (young people/ staff/ other local authorities etc) to understand the actual impact. Whether it is a strong or weak choice of plan that the youth work will consist of and change.

Question 5.

- I think the list has everything it needs. I believe young people should have these opportunities.
- I think this has everything it needs.
- I think younger children should be able to access youth clubs (if parents agree) as some clubs only allow 8+.
- All youth clubs & young people have different experiences in their clubs. I think this sums up perfectly of youth work entitlement.
- I think it should include a section of counselling to offer support for those who need safe and comfortable staff/ peers to make sure they can express themselves instead of keep it to their own.
- Access to more free sports/ activities, more services to support multicultural languages.
- Every young person should be entitled to youth worker support/ mentor hep etc, as it can be beneficial to their life and it should be a right.
- I think it is suitable and appropriate for my local area.

- I think that this is an incredible policy and all the things that will necessarily help the future of youth work. I think that it covers out all needed points and that nothing needs to be added, maybe mental health counselling should be added though.
- If you're on the ban list your not entitled to any of it because of your actions.

Question 6.

- Local councillor comes to advise and career advice.
- MP's and MSs need to be more included in the preservation of youth clubs.
- Yes, in my local youth club I've had the opportunity to have an opinion on what trips we take, also having an opinion on what activities we have inside the club.
- No, I have not had the opportunity because I have not had access to youth work before.
- My youth club has meetings with the local councillor to discuss what can be changed. Ted X talks often in my club, this helps my club members become more educated [Information redacted].
- No, I haven't had the opportunity.
- Yes, I have had many many discussions with my youth club which can help encourage others & change the way we take on the club.
- My youth club doesn't provide an opportunity for consultation.
- Yes, we went to [Information redacted] in October and I got to input on hat we wanted to do.

Question 7.

- Clubs could conduct more online workshops and regularly checked suggestion boxes to make young people feel safe sharing ideas.
- Have educational sessions and online platforms.
- I think we should look at young people and youth worker opinions to spread awareness. This could be done in meetings and conferences.
- Give us proper chances i.e. ask us questions/ group discussions.
- Having an open session so all ages can see what it is like.
- More education and questionnaires to help me.
- Youth staff should use meetings and presentations to allow youth individuals to speak about what their views are giving them voices to create changes.
- My youth club should offer consultation.
- More online workshops – it's more accessible for young people. Also creating a safe space that young people feel comfortable in sharing their views and feelings.

- Help host fun events and educational events!
- Invite to more things like conferences and talks. Keep in touch with young people and groups.
- More conferences, talks and consultations and workshops.
- Maybe bring people out to youth clubs.

Question 8.

- Get them involved by using social media.
- Create more public talks and symposiums to educate what the youth work involves. Creating social media posts to further expand the exposure of the club.
- Use 'tutorial time' in colleges and high st ads to promote youth work opportunities.
- Get sessions in schools and clubs to explain why young people should consider going to youth clubs.
- Get in contact with local schools and clubs making it appeal more to young people. Have better presence on social media.
- Educational lessons in school.
- I think doing lessons in school will help and doing educational workshops/ festivals. Create more symposium opportunities.
- Create more youth work provisions for young people to attend and get their voices heard.
- Maybe introduce fun lessons in school.
- Sessions in school.
- In school taster sessions.
- Include more things on social media, spread the word of youth work and things that young people do in the club. Spread the word.