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1. QUESTIONNAIRE

WHAT DO YOU THINK?

Introduction – the role of youth work

1. Should it always be up to a young person to decide whether they want to take part in a youth work activity? Or are there circumstances where it would be okay to require a young person to take part e.g. as part of a drug rehabilitation programme?

Yes always up to young person.
Can't be made to go to things they
don't want to.

2. Do you think youth work activities should be open and available to all young people? Or should there be different types of activities or extra activities for young people who might find it difficult to take part, for whatever reason?

Yes doesn't matter who they are
but a youth club shouldn't be too
empty can't just have a group
1 for one person who lives in
a quiet town.

Better information for young people

3. What can we do to provide better information for young people? How can young people be more involved in developing information for other young people?

web sites developed by young people
through schools
through clubs.

Access to opportunities for young people

4. What are the main benefits that young people get from youth work?

off the streets
information about clubs.

5. How can we make sure that all young people can take part in youth work activities (no matter where they live, their background, their ethnicity, their sexuality etc)? And how do we make sure that youth work respects any differences that they may have?

make it compulsory like school.
have clubs for all people
young and older.

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6. What can youth organisations do to provide the kind of youth work opportunities that young people want and also attract more young people?

- Move workers
- Better clubs - like computer cafes
- Trips.

Empowering and engaging young people

7. What more can be done to make sure that young people's views are heard when people are making decisions that affect them?

It would be good if young people could get involved in their local area more through events, groups and online

8. How can the Scottish Youth Parliament (SYP) get more young people involved and also make sure that it represents young people in Scotland?

Have not heard of them before
So would need to come to schools
& clubs.

Improving quality

9. How can we make sure that young people's achievements in youth work (e.g. Youth Achievement Award and Duke of Edinburgh's Award) are recognised by others, like employers?

It would be good if we could get grades or a certificate for work done at clubs as well as work at school.

Teachers + workers at clubs should

Training

arrange this.

10. What skills and qualities do you think a good youth worker or volunteer should have?

Respect.

Don't moan.

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Any other comments?

No.

Thank you for your time.