

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 YOUNG PEOPLE FELT THAT IT SHOULD BE THEIR CHOICE TO TAKE PART IN ANY YOUTH WORK ACTIVITIES.

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?

YOUTH WORK SHOULD BE OPEN & AVAILABLE FOR ALL YOUNG PEOPLE.

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?

INCREASED ACTIVITIES, INCREASED PUBLICITY. YOUNG PERSON FRIENDLY
WEB SITES. MORE PUBLICITY IN SCHOOLS

Access to opportunities for young people

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

SOCIALISE, INFORMATION, INCREASED KNOWLEDGE, SELF-AWARENESS.
SOMEONE TO TALK TO. KEEPS US OFF THE STREETS.

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?

MORE CENTRES, MAKE IT FUN, GIVE YOUNG PEOPLE CHOICE, MORE
LOCAL ACTIVITIES. MAKE IT FREE

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

CONSULTATION IN SCHOOLS, INCREASED PUBLICITY, DETACHED WORK TO
~~THE~~ LET YOUNG PEOPLE KNOW WHATS AVAILABLE.

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?

LISTEN TO YOUNG PEOPLE. LET YOUNG PEOPLE BECOME MORE INVOLVED.
HAVE DISCUSSIONS SESSIONS - MORE ACCOUNTABLE SYP'S.
OPEN EVENINGS

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

INCREASED AWARENESS OF WHAT IT ACTUALLY IS.
MORE YOUNG PEOPLE FRIENDLY.

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?

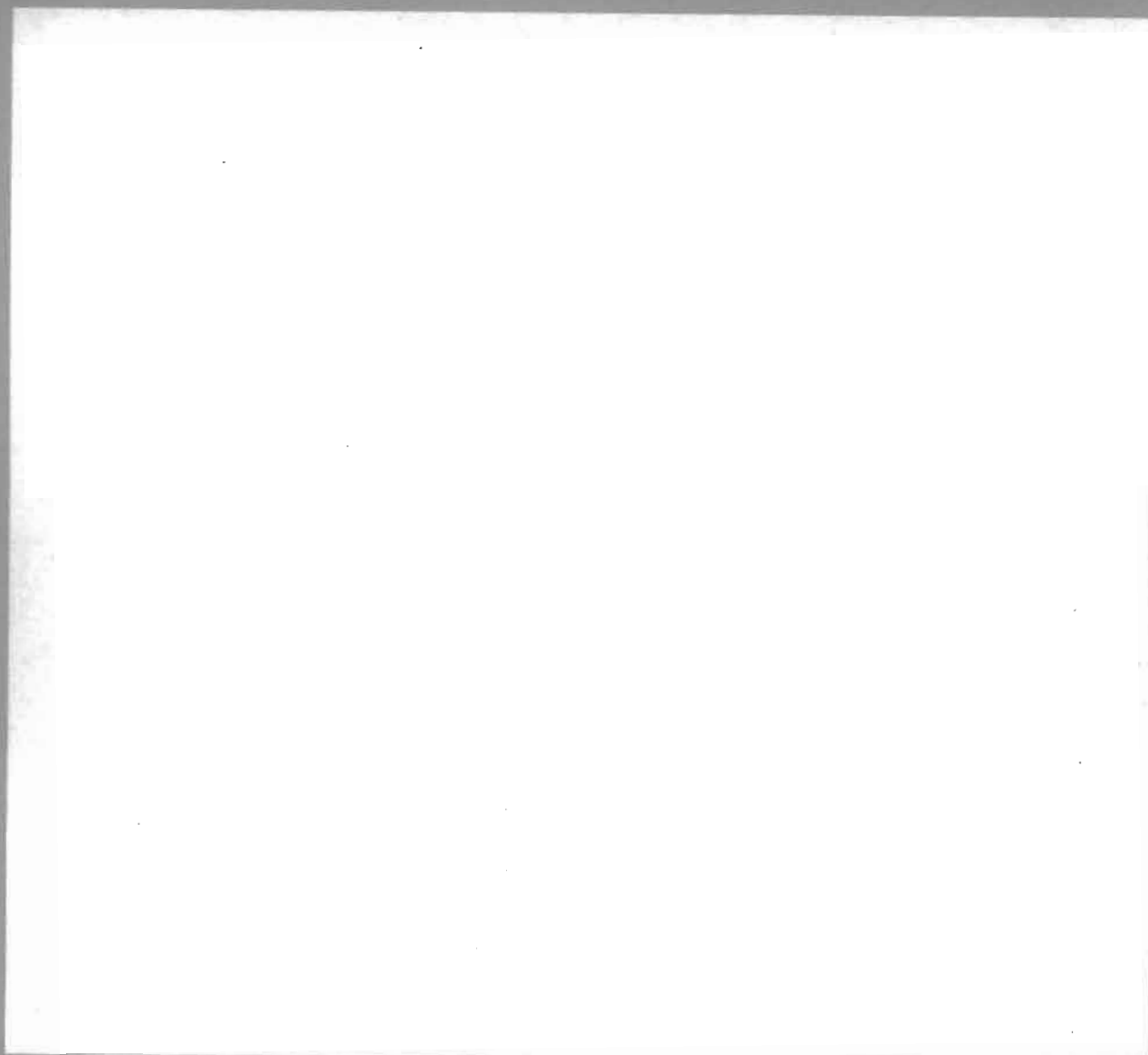
LET EMPLOYERS KNOW THE VALUE IN THESE AWARDS.
PUBLICISE IN LOCAL & NATIONAL PRESS.
EMPLOYERS HAVE TO SEE THESE IN CV'S.

Training

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

PATIENCE, CARING, TRUSTWORTHY, SUPPORTIVE, FUN, GOOD LISTENERS,
GOOD COMMUNICATION, UNDERSTANDING, APPROACHABLE, FULL OF LIFE,

Any other comments?



Thank you for your time.