

CYP Participation Strategy 2016-17

Report to Children's Partnership Board, 22nd March 2017

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Participation Strategy adopted by the Children's Partnership Board in December 2015, monitored action plan from April 2016

Manifesto pledge: 'Consult young people on important decisions and involve them in the Council's decision making process' (CP25). Two performance indicators for the Strategy:

Target 2016-17	Actual 2016-17
1. Number of participation events held per annum (target 60 events)	66 events held
2. Number of children and young people participating (target 1000 CYP)	c.1066 CYP engaged

Individual Participation

- Introduced MOMO (Mind of My Own) to empower the voice of CYP in targeted and specialist services
- Supported SEND inspection readiness preparation, SEND engagement specification development and IASS strategic commissioning review
- Conducted Quality Assurance Strategy process around participation of children and young people receiving specialist and targeted services around, including audits of CiN, CP and LAC reviews
- Supported the development of participation plans for young people accessing Youth Offending Team services

For development: Individual Participation

- Support roll-out of MOMO training across Children's Social Care and monitor uptake by Children in Care and other cohorts accessing the app
- Develop social media communication with Children in Care and Care Leavers via the Face Up Facebook page and other online communication channels
- Support the Future in Mind programme to develop co-productive participation opportunities for young people in Mental Health pathways
- Support participation of children and young people in the development of services addressing child sexual exploitation and domestic violence risks

Social Participation

- Designed and delivered co-productively with young people three termly locality based Youth Council meetings
 - > 20 young people involved in co-production activity
 - > 75 young people in attendance
- Supported development of school-based CYP engagement programme for Opportunity Notts (including launch of the programme at Primary Parliament)
- Supported participation in youth voter registration programme through activities and planning with Voter Registration Officer

For development: Social Participation

- Extend opportunities for CYP with SEND to participate in social settings through the new participation arrangements
- Improve processes for capturing and recording information from social participation into JSNA and strategic commissioning work
- Work with National Citizenship Service to ensure more City resident young people are targeted and recruited into the programme
- Work with colleagues on the Prevent programme to improve opportunities for participation of young people in the design and delivery of Prevent programme engagement activities

Public Participation

Youth Cabinet youth leadership activities included:

- Consultations on the new Health & Well-Being Strategy; Council budget proposals; the Cultural Education Framework; the One Nottingham priority theme of Aspiration; and the Youth Offending Team engagement strategy
- Representation on various strategic boards and operational steering groups, including One Nottingham board
- Design & delivery of the Youth Cabinet Schools' Conference
- Design & delivery of the Debate Science! Youth Parliament
- > 60 young people for Nottingham Youth Parliament event
- > 6 delegates at the European Science Parliament event in Manchester

Public Participation

- Primary Parliament: production of marketing tools for the development and launch of the *Looking After Each Other* campaign
- Children in Care Council: development of questions for use by locality Fostering and Adoption panels in the recruitment of new carers; and Have Your Say survey work
- Involvement in tender specification and marking for Strategic Commissioning Team; and participation in Public Health recruitment
- Co-production for Stemcity science engagement plan, including Festival of Science and Curiosity, NUCLEUS project and SMART City
- Participation in Nottingham in Parliament Day and Children's Commissioner's Takeover Week Challenge

For development: Public Participation

- Develop opportunities for children and young people in Takeover Week 2017 activity and increase the number of Children's Partnership partners taking part
- Further develop opportunities for participation in the SMART cities engagement plan Festival of Science and Curiosity programme, and emerging Civic Technology agenda





Resources and Workforce Development

- Ensured work linked to post-Ofsted improvement plan has been met and reported
- Developed the Participation in Steering group (PSG) membership to better reflect the breadth of Children's Partnership interests
- Conducted a research trial into the Sharing the Future participation model with colleagues from University of Nottingham to validate the approach
- Supported voluntary sector training in engagement and participation using Sharing the Future and supported Early Help Play and Youth team with development of their CYP participation plans

For development: Resources and Workforce

- Develop online resources for Sharing the Future and other participation tools
- Develop Children's Services induction materials around engagement and participation

Management and Governance Arrangements: Participation Steering Group

Chaired by the Engagement and Participation Lead, accountable to CPB and Portfolio Holder. Currently represented by the following service areas and personnel:

- Children in Care Team
- Children's Social Care
- Early Help Play and Youth Team
- Nottingham City Safeguarding Children Board
- SEND Reforms Board
- Small Steps Big Changes
- Voter Registration
- Youth Offending Team