



# Youth Voice and Influence Champions



**YOUTH VOICE  
TRAINING**



# Introduction

The Youth Voice and Influence Champions training is a bespoke training package, designed for young people aged 11-21 years old and is FREE for Changemaker organisations.

The training, designed and written in collaboration with our Youth Work Apprentices, aims to support young people into roles within their youth organisations where they can have a say on matters that affect them.

From becoming a young leader within a youth club, planning and delivering social action projects in their local community, to informing their organisations strategy and supporting with recruitment; this training will equip young people with the skills and knowledge they need to confidently and successfully fill their youth voice role.

Completing the training will result in your young people becoming Voice and Influence Champion's for your organisation.



## Training Aim

The aim of the training is to support those young people already in youth voice roles or those identified by your organisation into youth voice roles.

Through the delivery of this training, we hope youth organisations will feel supported on their journey to embed youth voice into all areas of their work.



## What is Youth Voice?

When referencing Youth Voice we are talking about opportunities for young people to have their voices heard and affect change.

It provides young people opportunities to feel empowered and have their say on decisions that affect them, other young people and their local or wider community.

## Why Youth Voice?

Providing platforms, processes and opportunities to enable young people to share their thoughts, feelings and opinions on a service or programme designed for them, provides organisations with the knowledge they need to meet the needs and interests of young people.

It provides young people with valuable skills and experiences for life and work and allows them to see first hand how their voice can influence or bring about change.





# Structure of the Training

The training is bespoke and is designed to meet the needs and interests of individual groups and their young people.

Before delivery we will consult with the appropriate member of staff at your organisation to identify your desired aims and outcomes for the young people taking part in the training.



Split into two parts, the first part develops young people's understanding of youth voice, how it can inform an organisations work and it's importance. Part two concentrates on the area of youth voice that your young people will be involved with; giving them the opportunity to explore their roles and responsibilities.

The content covered in the second part of the training is chosen by you. With the input of youth workers and professionals working with young people, we have identified a range of key areas for you to choose from where young people's involvement adds benefit. However, this list is not exhaustive of youth voice opportunity. If your chosen area for young people's involvement is not on the list, we will aim to identify a method for covering this as part of the consultation.



# Training Format

## Part 1



Introduction to Youth Voice and Leadership

## Part 2

(choose one)



Planning and Leading Social Action Projects



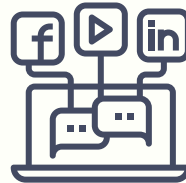
Roles and Responsibilities of a Young Leader



Informing Organisational Strategy



Working as a Youth Committee



Social Media Input and Content Creation



Supporting with Recruitment of Staff and Volunteers



Being part of a Youth Council



Choose your own area of Youth Voice





# Additional Information



Approximatley 3.5 hours worth of content



Training can be delivered in one session or over multiple sessions to meet the needs of the group



A choice of in-person or online delivery



Training has been planned and designed in collaboration with our Youth Work Apprentices

## Voice and Influence Champion

### Your Trainers



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### Contact Us!

If you want your young people to become Youth Voice and Influence Champions book our Youth Voice Training.

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