

Barca-Leeds Youth Work: Voice, Influence & Social Action *driving change*

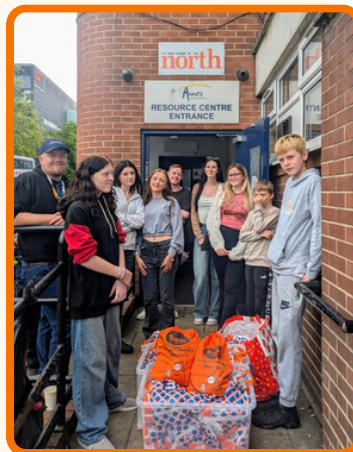


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Theory of Change:



1 Our practice continues to evolve

- We developed innovative social prescribing services for children, young people and families.
- Work with VCSE partners and statutory services to deliver innovative rights based services including FDAC, BOST and Community Wellbeing Connectors
- Voice and influence are core elements of practice involving young people in budget setting, take-over events, policy and practice influencing
- Social Action emerged from our practice – young people fundraised to buy winter comfort packs for people sleeping rough in Leeds



3 Evolving our youth work practice

- We will create a pathway 'From Engagement To Agency' for disadvantaged young people
- We are keen to develop a model of 'Experience led agenda setting and decision making'
- We will empower young people to challenge and improve systems to create a fairer future



Practice exemplar

A youth group named themselves Leeds Young Change Makers. They created a podcast about their concerns on safety in their community.

Through Barca connections they met with and interviewed the West Yorkshire Deputy Mayor for Policing and Crime.

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about the podcast:



2 The deep roots of our networks and connections to tackle injustice and inequity

- Delivering youth work in Leeds since 1994 gave us the confidence to lead the creation of Leeds Youth Alliance
- We support 'above and below' – sponsoring grassroots junior football, foodbanks, homework clubs and take these experiences into the Citywide Health and Wellbeing Board and Young Lives Leeds
- We have strong relationships with statutory sector leaders to get the right people in the room to influence systemic change

