

## Participation for CLA: recent activities and outcomes

Aim	Activity	Outcome
<b>Children Looked after</b>	<p>Re-launch of the Children in Care Council Beyond Limits.</p> <p>(The group has been split into the 11-13 and 14+ to make meeting more age appropriate and efficient)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Re-launched on May 29th with 11 YP people attending, was a great time of getting to know one another and explaining the purpose of the group.</li> <li>• Meeting on June 26<sup>th</sup>, was attended by 8 YP (14+ group) this meeting focussed on 'The Power of your Voice'. We had Clare Kentish from commissioning attend to gain views and feedback about Leisure activities, Family Mentoring and ideas on how to recruit Foster Carers in Harrow.</li> </ul>
	<p>Unaccompanied Asylum Seeker Children</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Promote attendance to Beyond Limits, as previous meetings there was no representation from UASC</li> <li>• Carry out Consultation (7<sup>th</sup> August 2014) on the journey of a UASC, a BBQ at the Gayton Hotel, to feedback to the CLA, leaving Care teams.</li> <li>• Consultation on participation with UASC girls to ascertain their views, also an opportunity to look at FGM, honour weddings and other health related issues and the provision of support for them in</li> </ul>

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Leaving Care YP

- Leaving Care Event in August (TBC) to include a participation slot to gain the views of leaving care YP

Aim Higher- Virtual School

- Trips to several universities including Kingston and Goldsmith have been provided and facilitated by the Virtual school for CLA to raise aspirations.

Facebook and Skype

- A closed Facebook Group has been set up to communicate with CLA and send through timely information. This is closely monitored by both the Participation Co-ordinator and Senior Communications Officer in Harrow.
- Skype will be used to consult with CLA outside of Harrow and allow for participation and consultation on services.

Voice of the Child Newsletter

- Monthly Newsletter has been revamped to include participation in Harrow from the YP perspective, with the aim of getting future contributions from the CYP
  - Promotes the Voice of the Child to local, community and voluntary agencies and Foster carers to broaden participation.
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