Rotherham Youth Cabinet Achievements 2006 - 2007 continued

- Young people held a short awareness-raising session about the crisis in Darfur, which was attended by elected members, the Leader and the Chief Executive. A commitment has been given by the Council to help in raising awareness on this issue.

- The group planned and received funding for a Transnational Conference with an anti-fascism theme for young people from Slovenia and Romania.

- Youth Cabinet has supported members from United Kingdom Youth Parliament to promote anti-fascism in the region.

- Regular meetings have been established with the Chief Executive and Leader of the Council.

- Rotherham Youth Cabinet had input into the Single Plan for Children and Young People’s Services.

- Nine members of Youth Cabinet were nominated for the Young Athenian Awards, two of whom were recipients.

- Rotherham Young People’s Services received the National Youth Agency’s Quality Mark and members of Rotherham Youth Cabinet played a key role in meeting the Inspectors and showing what they had learnt.

- Over the last twelve months, 26 young people from Youth Cabinet have gained the Duke of Edinburgh Bronze award for service, and 13 young people have gained the Silver.

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Aim

Rotherham Youth Cabinet is an active voice representing all young people equally, in order to have a positive effect throughout our communities.

Objectives

The Youth Cabinet’s Objectives

- To influence decisions to ensure young people are heard
- To host a Transnational Conference for Slovenian and Romanian young people with an anti-fascism theme
- To continue to work with United Kingdom Youth Parliament and to encourage more diverse young people to stand as candidates and to vote
- To target wider groups, such as special needs schools, people in care and ethnic minorities, so that their views are represented
- To convert words into actions

The Youth Cabinet’s Action Objectives 2007-2008

- For Youth Cabinet to continue to drive the Quids In initiative
- To complete a revision of the Student Council Principles and for them to be adopted
- To host a Transnational Conference for Slovenian and Romanian young people with an anti-fascism theme
- To continue to work with United Kingdom Youth Parliament and to encourage more diverse young people to stand as candidates and to vote
- To further develop the Anti-Fascism Group
- To target wider groups, such as special needs schools, people in care and ethnic minorities, so that their views are represented
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Rotherham Youth Cabinet Achievements 2006 - 2007

- All mainstream secondary schools now regularly attend, plus 1 special school and 2 colleges
- Over £300,000 was given to young people’s projects locally by Quids In, which is supported by Youth Cabinet
- The Anti-Fascism Project has expanded to become borough wide.
- Nine young people are trained as peer educators and they received funding from Quids In and the British Youth Council to visit Auschwitz. They also held a Holocaust Memorial Day service
- Five members of Youth Cabinet trained as peer evaluators for the Youth Service and received accreditation
- Young people chaired the recent Anti Bullying Scrutiny Review
- The Youth Cabinet’s Code of Practice has been adopted by RMBC
- Young people were involved in leading the Annual Young People’s Conference, and developed the Voice and Influence strategy for the coming year. The FairTrade sub-group ran one of the workshops
- Young people have been involved in initial discussions and also the formal proposals about the proposed restructure of Children and Young People’s Services, and the development of young people’s voice and influence at locality level.