

What makes for a good session of youth work.

(Mainly about “Club” work but adaptable).

Reflect & Prepare

Pre-session Planning and Preparation

Get preparatory paper work done

Staff allocated specific responsibilities

Be creative, bespoke, tailored

TYW/ECM related programme

Curriculum focussed

Whetting client's appetites

Incremental / developmental

Tip top working resources – staff know how to use them

Main focus – Supplementary focus

Gadgets

Future events – Big things

Venue Information / Access / Welcome

Health & Safety focussed Risk Assessment

Physical access

Emotional access

First impressions

Displays of past work and curriculum issues

Environment / “atmosphere”

Staff Professional approach (unpaid doesn't mean unprofessional)

Respect – Young people / young people - staff / young people

Music - background

Quiet space

Listening

Boundaries / Discipline

Future events - advertised

Atmosphere / Resources

Displays of past work / events

Know people's names - it's about respect!

Learn about clients (3 new things about 3 different people every session?)

Tip Top working resources

Do staff know how to use the resources?

Curriculum focus

Listening

Environment – heat, light, comfort

Quiet space

Respectful

YW/YP Engagement

Staff Professional approach

Punctuality / reliability of staff

Leadership

Staff skills

Fun (no hurt)

Honest

Self and peer respect

Creativity
Challenge
Music
Quiet
Discipline - boundaries
Participation
Recognition and reward

YW Curriculum

Displays of past work / events
Hope for future events
Information
Listening
Respect
Fun
Focus (linked to accreditation – e.g. DofE, AQA, Youth Achievements)
Self and Peer respect
Creative
Recognition and Reward

Monitor, Evaluate, Adjust & Plan

What's good / not so good
Individual responsibility
Participation
Big things to look forward to / look back on
Creative / bespoke tailored
Challenged the "isms"?
Recognition & reward
Up to date records (any specific follow ups e.g. Child Protection/Health & Safety)
Would you want to attend?

Good Practice

Identify
Celebrate
Repeat (create a folder for "Bright Ideas")
Any PR opportunities?

Anything I've missed?