

April – Young Carers' Forum

Date: 24th April 2024

Attendees: 2 members of staff and 5 young carers

Linskill Centre North Shields

NTSCP Young Advisors

Discussion:

North Tyneside Carers' Centre forum were invited to part-take in NTSCP Young Advisors Safeguarding forum.

NTSCP forum is a small group of young people and professionals who discuss safeguarding young people in North Tyneside. They want more young people to get involved and have a say on issues in our community.

During the session, our forum members were encouraged to get involved in an icebreaker activity to start which was a game of getting to know each other questions, they then had pizza!

The programme was extremely busy, it included:

- A virtual consultation via Teams on Exploitation
- Karen from PCC Violence Reduction Unit presented and discussed - Knife crime protocol for school video presentation
- Young Advisors Priorities Survey – presented by Phil from Clued Up Kids.
- Summary and Feedback

I spoke to Julie after the session and feedback some comments and feedback collected from our members which included:

It felt too much in one session and needed more visuals, inclusion, and group conversation.

There was conflict and at times it felt uncomfortable as we didn't understand the topic of conversation.

Julie who ran the session agreed with our feedback and wants to share that she also feels the session was too much for one session and in future will be broken down. She hopes young carers have not been disheartened and would love for involvement from them in the future.

Julie will be attending one of our forums in future to complete the Young Advisors Priority Survey with members to ensure you have a say on future changes.

Next session to be held: **Wednesday 15th May 2024**

Next discussion topics-

GP video of young carers

Young carers' forum hoodies will be handed out

Young Carers Forum input to next Team meeting, any questions for the team