

Local Democracy Peer project (Pilot)

The Story So Far



A pilot project as part of the Children and Young Peoples Plan (CYPP), based on two successful projects with local secondary schools. The project involves one secondary (George Green's) and five primary schools on the Isle of Dogs.

Teams from George Green School were trained to deliver participative workshops that explore, support and develop decision-making and representational skills.

The secondary school students then ran morning sessions using role-plays, picture cards, voting and quizzes to look at children's rights, constitutions and school councils, voting and representation, with KS2 students in each of the primary schools.



What Next.....?

Peer-led sessions at the Town Hall sessions exploring local democracy and decision making with local councillors and constitutions for primary school councils.

Allowing young people to develop a constitution for their school councils and voice their opinions on how they think the school council should be run.

Project Outcomes:

1. Trained team of support workers from George Greens
2. A new or revised school council constitution created by all the children
3. School councils using the Town Hall
4. School councils inputting into local democracy
5. School councils creating policies
6. A model for other schools