



# Youth Advisory Group

*Getting involved and making a difference in Jersey*



# Frequently Asked Questions

## What is a youth advisory group?

A group of children and young people aged 8-18. However, there will be opportunities for young people up to the age of 24 to join in with projects. The group is split into two, a primary school age group and a secondary school age group.



## Why is it important?

It is important that adults think about children and young people when making decisions. The group help the Children's Commissioner and her team to understand what children and young people need and what affects them.



## What do they do?

- Advise, support and challenge the work of the Commissioner and her team, meeting regularly for updates on any progress.
- Help create documents and reports.
- Take part in fun activities such as valley adventure centre, boat rides and escape rooms.
- Have the opportunity to attend events with the Commissioner and meet other youth groups in different countries.
- Take part in projects that interests them. This varies from social media, podcasts, blogging, art and design, filming and lots more.



*Where/when do you meet?*

Meetings are held at The Office of the Children's Commissioner - Brunel House, 3 Old Street, St. Helier, JE2 3RG.

We try to pick a day and time that works well for the group, so this can vary. However, we usually meet on a weekday and after school hours (from 4pm).

*Do you get paid?*

No, it's voluntary, so you don't get paid. But we pay for things like activities and trips.

*Do you have to attend every meeting?*

No, you don't have to attend every meeting. It's your choice.

*How often do you meet?*

We meet around once every 6 weeks.

## The United Nations Convention on the Rights of a Child (UNCRC)

The UNCRC is an international agreement that protects the human rights of children under the age of 18.

Article 12 of the UNCRC says:

Children have the right to give their opinions freely on issues that affect them. Adults should listen and take children seriously.

The Youth Advisory Group is a great way to get involved and be heard.




If you'd like to become a member tell us:

- your name
- your age
- why you want to join the group

Send it to:

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