

ISLE OF WIGHT YOUTH AND COMMUNITY SERVICE

APPLICATION OF AFFILIATION

To be returned to The Principal Youth and Community Officer, County Hall, Newport, Isle of Wight PO30 1UD

1. Name of Organisation:												
2. Organisation Address:												
Tel No:			Fax No:									
Email:												
3. Ownership of premises:												
4. Name and address of person to whom communications should be addressed:												
Tel No:			Email:									
5. Name and address of person in charge:												
Tel No:												
6. Number of other staff and helpers:	<i>(Please give their names and addresses on the attached form)</i>											
7. Please give details of any insurance carried by your organisation in respect of staff, members, premises, etc												
8. Name of National Association or Organisation <i>(where applicable)</i> :												
9. Other organisations affiliated to:												
10. Ages catered for:	<table border="1"><thead><tr><th>Boys</th><th>Girls</th><th>Adults (21+)</th></tr></thead><tbody><tr><td></td><td></td><td></td></tr><tr><td></td><td></td><td></td></tr></tbody></table>			Boys	Girls	Adults (21+)						
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11. Registered Membership as at January 2003 <input type="checkbox"/>												

12a Does your organisation have a Child Protection Policy?

12b What mechanisms does your organisation have in place to undertake Criminal Background Checks on those adults who have unsupervised access to young people:

Programme:

Day	Times		Activities
	am	pm	
Monday	am	pm	
Tuesday	am	pm	
Wednesday	am	pm	
Thursday	am	pm	
Friday	am	pm	
Saturday	am	pm	
Sunday	am	pm	

Please state how your programme is in keeping with the ideals of the Statement of Purpose and Cornerstones of the Youth Service Curriculum:

1. Educative

2. Promoting Equality of Opportunity

3. Participative

4. Empowering

13. I confirm this organisation agrees to comply and conform with the conditions of affiliation:

Signed:		Date:	
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Category	
Database Record Number	
Date	
Bulletin	
Update Due	
Membership Ceased	

Other Staff		
Name	Address	No of Sessions Worked Per Week
1.		
2.		
3.		
4.		
5.		
6.		
7.		
8.		

Any other information you feel would be helpful to calculate the amount of time which is spent on youth work in a year – for example weekend, annual camps, visits, etc:

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**SCHEME OF AFFILIATION OF
VOLUNTARY AND MAINTAINED YOUTH ORGANISATIONS**

The purpose of affiliation is to help and enable youth organisations who work within the Youth and Community Service age range (9-21 years) and particularly those who focus on the target age range 13-19 years, by providing a range of services including free use of premises and access to equipment.

Youth organisations entitled to affiliation will work with young people in their leisure time and whilst the work will be educational, recreational and cultural, it should not form part of the national curriculum.

Groups wishing to affiliate should meet affiliation criteria which includes subscribing to the Youth and Community Service "Statement of Purpose" and the cornerstone of the Service curriculum, education, participation, empowerment and equality of opportunity.

Individual organisations are required to complete the questionnaire, national organisations cannot affiliate en bloc, however, national and country regulations may be used to fulfil the Conditions of Affiliation provided they demonstrate how the Core Curriculum is delivered. Organisations which are not part of a national body should meet the Conditions of Affiliation. Approximately every two years groups will be asked to re-affiliate to check they are still in existence and to maintain a record of involvement in the organisation by both young people and adults.

Benefits of Affiliation

- Use of Youth and Community Centre, where available, as 'free user' for the normal activities of the organisation. A charge will be made for the use of premises for fund raising events or performances for which admission is charged.
- Training grants may be available to youth workers and for senior member leadership training courses. The courses may be either on the Island or the mainland.
- Hire of beds, blankets etc at a nominal charge.
- Hire of camping equipment and sites at nominal charge.
- Hire of badge making machine.
- Access to the Authority's residential centre at Llanbrynmair.
- Use of Youth and Community Service minibus.
- Loan of Audio Visual and other training aids.
- Participation in the Youth and Community Service Training courses.
- Participation in the Youth and Community Service activities programme.
- Access to advice, information, printing and photocopying services.
- Copies of the Youth and Community Service Bulletin with access to use the Bulletin for promotion of own organisation.

CATEGORIES OF AFFILIATION

Category 1 - Free Usage

Those organisations which subscribe to the "Statement of Purpose" and the aims and objectives of the Youth and Community Service. These groups are likely to be those which have a membership and are part of a national organisation, for example Guides and Scouts.

Category 2 - Free Usage

Those organisations which work with and on behalf of young people but do not have a membership, for example IW Youth Trust.

Category 3 - 50% of Charges

Other statutory services outside of education, who in the course of their work, are working face-to-face with young people, for example Social Services.

Category 4 - 50% of Charges

Single activity groups or youth groups of adult clubs, for example sports clubs.

Category 5 - Free Usage

Schools/Connexions who are working in partnership with the Youth Service, however, there may be negotiated charges for non-centre usage. Staffing or equipment for example.

Category 6 - 50% of Charges

Schools who wish to use youth centres for non-curriculum activities.

CONDITIONS OF AFFILIATION

Apart from the national voluntary organisations, for whom special provision is made, all organisations accepted for affiliation will be expected - in general - to observe the following minimum conditions:

- a. That the organisations possesses and adult management committee of at least three members, together with membership representations. Organisations should aim for 50% representation by members.
- b. That there is a recognised youth worker or officer in charge of not less than 20 years of age.
- c. That the organisation normally meets on at least one evening a week for not less than two hours.
- d. That the organisation has a programme which is as broad as possible and is educative, designed to promote equality of opportunity, participative and empowering.
- e. That an accurate register of names, addresses and ages of all members is kept.
- f. That an annual membership fee, however nominal, is paid by members, together with weekly or nightly subscriptions.
- g. That proper accounts are kept and are independently examined/audited annually.
- h. That the organisation makes suitable arrangements to ensure the safety and well-being of member and staff, including appropriate insurance.
- i. That the group meet in suitable premises.
- j. That the organisation agrees to permit officers of the Authority to pay informal visits to the organisation as and when necessary during the times that it is stated officially to be open.
- k. *That the officer or person in charge of the organisation will undertake to advise the Principal Youth and Community Officer of any alteration in the details shown on the affiliation form.*

No fee is charged for affiliation.

Affiliation will not be granted to any organisation when private gain accrues to any member of staff or member.

Affiliation will be granted for a period of two years to groups meeting the criteria.

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

Youth work supports young people in their transition from childhood to responsible adulthood, encourages their social development and individual fulfilment and helps them engage fully in society.

VALUES

Youth work is concerned primarily with young people's personal and social development. It is critically informed by a set of beliefs, which include a commitment to equal opportunity, and to young people as partners in learning and decision making.

METHODS

Youth work offers support, planned educational opportunities and projects in which young people choose to be involved. Youth work encourages young people to be both critical and creative in responding to their world and widens their experiences within it. The programme and projects also provide opportunities for relaxation, meeting friends and having fun.

Youth work complements and supports learning in schools, and contributes to social welfare and community development. It offers to all a constructive and educational use of leisure time. It helps young people achieve and fulfil their potential and to make choices about their lives, offering them information, advice and support. It works with other agencies to encourage society to be responsive to young people's needs, especially those young people who are vulnerable.

Youth work on the Island is delivered through a partnership between voluntary organisations and the maintained sector which provides or facilitates:

- Informal educational programmes which challenge young people and enhance their personal and spiritual development, social and political education;
- Places and relationships within which young people can have fun, feel secure and valued, learn to take greater control of their lives and to resist the damaging influences which affect them;
- Access to and ability to use relevant information, advice and counselling;
- Responsiveness by other services to the needs of young people;
- Research, monitoring and publication of social trends and legislation which affect young people.

EQUALITY OF OPPORTUNITY

Through the challenges of oppressions such as racism and sexism, and all those which spring from differences of culture, race, language, sexual identity, gender, disability, age, religion and class.

EDUCATION

Enabling young people to gain the skills, knowledge and attitudes needed to identify, advocate and pursue their rights and responsibilities as individuals and as members of groups and communities locally, nationally and internationally.

PARTICIPATION

Is a voluntary relationship with young people in which young people are partners in the learning process and decision making structures which affect their own and other young people's lives and their environment.

EMPOWERMENT

Supporting young people to understand and act on the personal, social and political issues which affect their lives, the lives of others and the communities of which they are a part.