

Youth Work in the Millburn area

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THE BIG HEADLINES



Youth work is an **educational** practice

It is an **empowering** process which is about

- Building self-esteem and self-confidence
- Developing the ability to manage personal and social relationships
- Creating opportunities for learning
- Building the capacity of young people to consider risk, make reasoned decisions and take control
- Having a targeted approach within a range of services for everyone
- Having FUN

Key facts and stats

The Millburn youth team worked with over 100 youngsters aged between 11 and 21 amounting to 2278 meaningful contacts

In total there were 3591 hours of engagement with young people

These were delivered on nearly 150 separate occasions.

And took place in Millburn school, Raigmore community centre and the Spectrum centre.

A total of 16 recognised awards were gained

THE STORIES: THE DIFFERENCES: THE FUTURE

Raigmore Youth Clubs (RYC)

In its 20th year of operation, staffed by workers and volunteers from the local community, this weekly group continues to be the setting for positive relationships between young people and youth workers. Young people meet and learn together in a safe environment. They develop life skills; they enjoy trying new things and contribute positively to their community. Young people undertaking Saltire and leadership awards.

Millburn football initiative

Over 50 individual young people from around the Millburn ASG have participated weekly in regular after school football on a Friday. The training is planned and delivered by young people who are gaining employability skills in sport: this includes recognised coaching awards through the SYFA.

The Hub

Working in partnership with Highland's One Stop Shop, young people come together from various ASGs and relax in a safe environment supported by youth work staff and young volunteers to attain Saltire awards.

Quote from a partner;

"Highlife Highland support has been great in helping us run the Hub; we have great young volunteers, loads of advice and much much more."

Quote from a youngster;

"I have really enjoyed my volunteering at the Hub, I included it in my UCAS application and spoke about volunteering in my interviews, and I got four offers."

HOW'S THE FUTURE LOOKING

Getting On – achievements through learning

Further promotion of wider achievement awards
Building on the success of Millburn football initiative and developing further projects for the Millburn area.

Getting Heard – confident voices, influencing decisions

Developing a stronger area youth forum and promoting what they do.
Developing active youth participation at all the projects ensuring all young people's voices are heard.

Getting Involved – youth work: it's educational

Continue the strong partnerships with the Hub and the wider community to get youth work recognised as a valuable resource in the personal, social and educational development of young people.

The Youth Forum will contribute to the Highland Youth Parliament campaigns in political engagement, mental health, transport, PSE and Looked After Children

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