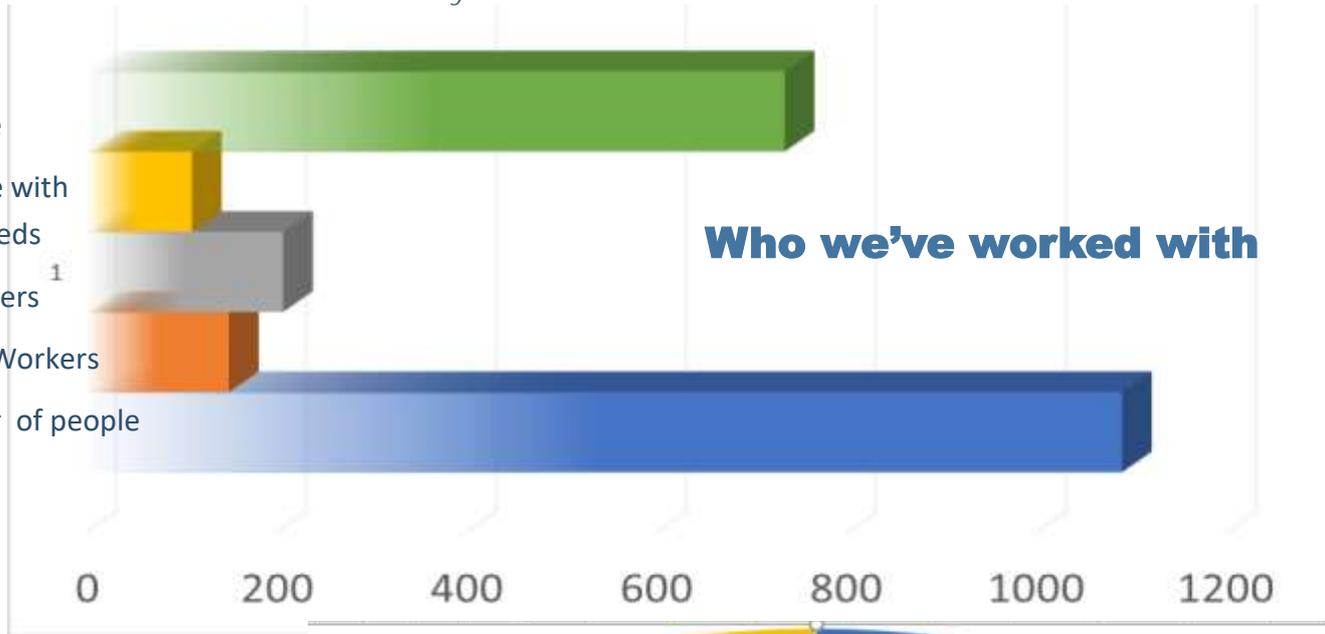


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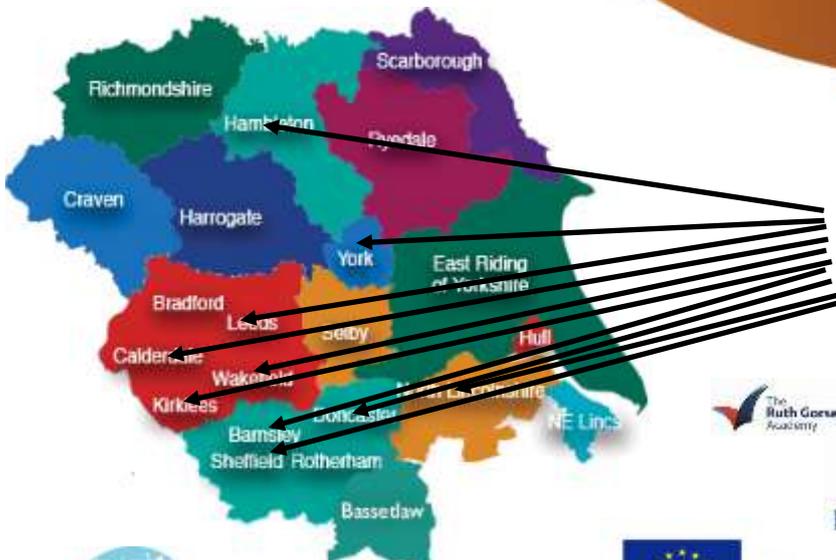
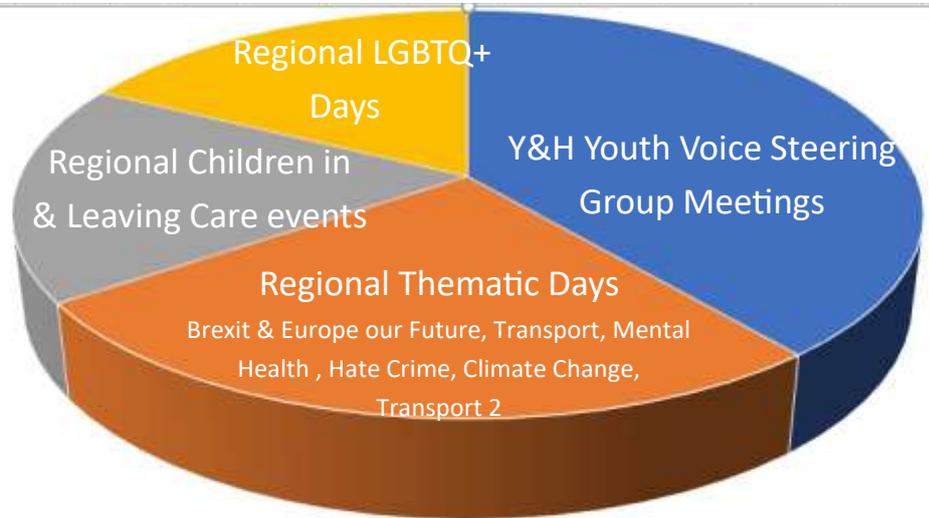
2018-2019

In 2018 the Yorkshire and Humber Youth Voice Steering Group were successful in securing funding from Erasmus+ key action 3. This funding allowed us to support 14 regional days for young people, to explore issues and meet with Decision Makers, Providers, Influencers and Inspirational People, to identify positive ways forward. We'd like to thank everyone who supported us. Below is a brief summary of our work and achievements.

young people
 Young people with additional needs
 Decision Makers
 Youth Voice Workers
 Total number of people



What we've done



Places we've visited



What we've achieved:

As young people for ourselves:

We've gained friends, learnt how to plan and facilitate conferences and workshops, grown in self confidence, and developed our communicating, team work and problem solving skills. We've worked with a wide range of people from different back grounds, profession and sectors.

- 50% of the SG have used there experience to help them find employment
- 50% of the SG have used the experience to secure places at university
- All participated in the L2 Volunteering in a Youth Work Setting training—5 went on to gain accreditation

What I'm Most Proud of, for me it is how I have developed as a person. Steering group has allowed me to become more independent and increase my confidence and organisational skills to the point where I am now able to plan, deliver and host whole events like the transport conference. Steering group has given me the skills (and the training) to become a youth voice ambassador and help the next generation of youth councillors.

For the region:

- Increased the regions young people's knowledge of Youth Voice and what we do.
- Made activities more young people friendly through creating our own workshops.
- Provided opportunities for young people to talk with decision makers and make changes to our Mental Health Services, local Transport, Environment, Children in and Leaving Care services, to address all forms of Hate Crime.
- Provided the opportunity to young people from across the region to meet, make friends and celebrate being them.

I have grown my network by engaging with decision makers and key influencers which has allowed me to develop professionally as an individual. Through helping to create opportunities for youth participation and engagement, I have seen the power of youth voice in action and learned about how this can best be implemented and facilitated.

What we're proud of :

- The Youth Voice Guide
- The Leaving Care Grant and Support Comparison table
- The Transport Services comparison table
- Raising awareness of Mental Health, the importance of self care and how to access support
- Providing a space for young people who identify with the LGBTQ+ community to come together from across the region and celebrate at the first Yorkshire and Humber Youth Pride Picnic.
- Providing the opportunity for young people to meet with MPs, Local Councillors, Director of Children's Services, Police, Social Care England, Universities, Campaigners and Inspiration Speakers who share their Experiences, representatives from the Department of Education, the Department of Digital Media Culture and Sport, Holocaust Exhibition and England's Childrens' Commission.
- The work that has happened in local areas, such as establishing the Sheffield City Region Youth Assembly, Youth Transport Authority Boards, Stagecoach's Interactive Map, Positivitree, Hate Crime Workshops,

What we would change:

- For people to act and for change to happen quicker

This has been a fantastic experience where I have gained key skills of time keeping, organisation as well as boosting my confidence. The way I have been able to influence and create positive change has developed my belief in myself as an active citizen and by meeting other passionate and engaged young people, it gives me great hope for the future as well as long lasting friendships