



## **5 Pillars of Youth Action Groups**

### **NEEDS LED**

- It's agenda, and the content of the meetings, is based on local needs.

### **GRASS ROOTS**

- Community led and focussed on the needs of the community.

### **DEMOCRATIC**

- All partners/ attendees have an equal right to speak and raise topics.

### **DELIVERY FOCUSSED**

- Main focus of the group is managing and coordinating events and services. But it can be informed by wider issues – eg training.

### **SAFE**

- Safeguards and protects the wellbeing and autonomy of young people and services.

Through research and experience, five principles of YAGs can be seen to underpin their success. These are very similar to many of the pillars of youth work and core principles in community development.