## 44 DON'T THINK AIN'T ON ROAD, JUST CAUSE I AIN'T STUCK ON ENDS\_



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Ever feel like you're speaking a different language?

> Voice for Children offer a unique development programme to help professionals understand how children and young people on the edge of, or in care feel.

## **WALKING MY PATH**



Voice for Children offers children and young people living in the care system an opportunity to learn about their rights and responsibilities. Professionals are taught how to effectively engage with children and young people and to involve them in the decisions that directly affect their life and future.

We design and deliver bespoke training for professionals working with children and young people. The courses we provide are aimed at developing child-centred practice, deepening the understanding of what it is like being a child or young person today.

Voice for Children also works with LSCBs and other partnership bodies primarily, to gather the views of children and young people, to help shape and inform future activities and strategies. We also offer our own accredited mentoring programme to help support service users gain confidence and give them a helping hand in making their futures brighter.

"THIS TRAINING IS VERY INSIGHTFUL AND IT GAVE US THE OPPORTUNITY TO SEE THINGS FROM A DIFFERENT PERSPECTIVE."

"IT HAS HELPED US TO BECOME MORE YOUNG PEOPLE FOCUSED AND GIVEN US THE OPPORTUNITY TO REFLECT ON OUR PRACTICE."

"IT EMPHASISES ON THE WISHES, FEELINGS, ACTIVE PARTICIPATION AND MAKING A DIFFERENCE TO CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE IN CARE."

## **BESPOKE TRAINING**

Voice for Children have created an interactive training programme based on real life experiences to help professionals understand 'how it feels' to be in care. Professionals are given the opportunity to hear the lived experiences of young people in the care system to reflect on how they can improve the engagement and participation of children and young people in decisions that directly affect their future.

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