



Young Gamblers Education Trust Young People & Student Advisory Group Information Pack

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Introducing YGAM

YGAM is a UK-Registered Charity which builds digital resilience in young people, students and vulnerable adults. The charity's social purpose is to inform, educate and safeguard young people against problematic gambling and social gaming. YGAM's purpose is led by and contributes to the UK's National Responsible Gambling Strategy, which is led by the Responsible Gambling Strategy Board (RGSB). In the annual update to this strategy in May 2018, the work of YGAM was cited several times. YGAM approaches its social purpose in three ways:

- YGAM aims to enhance the UK's understanding of gambling and gambling-related harm specifically amongst young people.
- YGAM helps young people make informed choices through better understanding of gambling and its potential risks.
- YGAM increases awareness of youth gambling as a public health issue with policy-makers, educators and key influencers.

YGAM products

YGAM delivers its social purpose and derives social benefit for the UK through the delivery of the following three YGAM products:

Train the Trainer workshops:

YGAM delivers accredited training and provides licenses to teachers, youth workers, community mental health colleagues, prison & probation colleagues and community volunteers to enable them to deliver the YGAM gambling and gaming-related, harm-prevention programme.

University & Student Peer Education:

YGAM works with partner universities to students to become YGAM peer mentors. Trained peer mentors are then employed in part-time positions to deliver a range of gambling and gaming-related, harm-prevention programmes and awareness campaigns within their university and local community.

Research:

Through the delivery of the above products, a programme of research into the attitudes, thinking and behaviours of young people and gambling / social gaming will be created through the establishment of a global research network, specifically in the area of young people. Additionally, YGAM will work with our research partners to undertake both qualitative and quantitative research into the effectiveness and impact of the YGAM products.

The YGAM programme and our resources have been accredited and quality-assured by the Ofqual approved Awarding Body Pearson & ASDAN and are quality-assured by the PSHE Association. In addition, we have achieved the prestigious Pearson Assured quality-standard for the content and educational rigour of our education resources. YGAM's programmes have been evaluated by City, University of London & University of East London and we are proudly an accredited Investor in People employer. Finally, YGAM is regulated by the UK Charity Commission and the UK Fundraising Regulator. No other education programme globally in this area of work has such robust foundations.



Enhance Understanding



Help Young People



Increase Awareness

Young People & Student Advisory Group

We are looking for inspiring, insightful and passionate individuals to join our Young People & Student Advisory group to ensure the voice of young people is heard. The aim is to increase input and influence from young people into YGAM's work to inform, safeguard and educate young people from problem gaming and gambling.

The group has been set up to offer an exciting opportunity to young people to be involved in shaping the gambling and gaming industries to protect young people.

It is not a 'sitting around talking' group it's a group of like-minded people meeting up and doing something positive to help share our opinions and thoughts from our own experiences. There are no expectations of you when you join the group. You don't have to talk about anything you don't want to, and participation is always voluntary you get what you want from it.

The group has 3-4 meetings per year and is an opportunity to talk about the key issues in the gambling and gaming industries. Whether it's talking about the National Lottery to Fortnite you can help shape the future of the gambling and gaming to ensure young people are protected from harm.

Who are we looking for?

- Young people and students (16-25)
- Ambitious individuals looking to create social impact
- Enthusiastic individuals who have opinions on gaming and gambling
- Diversity, and range of views and contribution



What are our expectations?

- Attend all meetings where possible
- Passionate and Enthusiastic
- Driven to make change
- Willing to debate and challenge

Want to get involved?

Email hello@ygam.org with the answers to the following two questions:

1. Describe in no more than 150 words why you would be an exceptional member of the advisory group, and example of the approach you would take gather young people's view and experiences.
2. Provide an example and the impact of your contribution that has had a social or community benefit, for instance a voluntary role, school life or society.
3. You may wish to provide a CV, however this is optional.

Closing Date: Wednesday 10th October

Interview dates: Week commencing Monday 22nd October (various locations)

Provisional Meetings Dates: TBA

Payment Details: An honorarium of £50 per quarter will be paid to each member in the form of a high-street voucher of their choice. All travel and out-of-pocket expenses will also be covered.

Terms of Reference

General

Young Gamblers Education Trust (YGAM) are a UK-registered charity with a social purpose to 'inform, educate and safeguard young people against problematic gambling and social gaming'.

The charity was formed to help educate around problem gambling and currently delivers accredited training to teachers, youth workers, community mental health colleagues, prison & probation colleagues and community volunteers, enabling them to deliver the YGAM gambling-related harm-prevention programme.

YGAM also works in partnership with universities and students to become YGAM peer mentors along with a programme of research into attitudes, thinking and behaviours of young people and gambling/ social gaming.

Purpose

Through the People and Transformation Committee, the Young People & Student Advisory Group will advise YGAM's Trustee Board on current young people problem gambling and social gaming trends and the group will contribute to YGAM's future strategy putting members at the heart of the charity's work.

Transformational high-level drivers

- Reach and relevance.
- Influencer.
- Trends and insight.
- Deliver through its objectives.
- Connect with, gather and seek insight from young people on gaming and gambling.
- Identify new opportunities, trends and risks.
- Seek ways to improve YGAM's communication with young people, through social media, films, APPS and press¹.
- Put members at the very heart of debate around safer gambling and gaming in the United Kingdom.
- Create a credible voice within the industry from a diverse range of young people and students.
- Work with operators in the gambling and gaming industry to help safeguard young people
- Link with relevant partners who support young people and students especially ones with digital focus.
- Influence YGAM's strategic conversations and the delivery of its objectives.

Membership

1. The group will consist of a maximum of 10 members including the chair, and deputy chair.
2. The Chair and the members will serve a term of 3 years, and serve no more than two consecutive terms.
3. The group will be supported by a couple of non-exec volunteers, ideally in Communications and Marketing, and youth work or similar.
4. There will be four members from partnership projects, such as Universities, FE colleges and school.
5. There shall be a minimum of four other members, with a fair² and transparent recruitment and selective process, seeking an inclusive membership³.
6. Terms in role will be between one and two years, specified during the selection process.
7. All members will be independent volunteers and not employed by YGAM.
8. Members are invited to join in a personal capacity rather than as a representative of their employer or organisation.

Meetings

- The Advisory Group will normally meet 3-4 times a year.
- The group will be provided with a meeting schedule and a forward plan of agenda items.
- After each meeting minutes will be prepared and reviewed by the chair before circulated with the members no later than one month after the meeting
- Once approved by the members at the next meeting the minutes will be reviewed ahead of the next meeting.
- Sub groups for activities maybe set up on a regional basis (eg North and South), coordinated by the chair and deputy chair.

Communication Channels

- Minutes and papers for formal meetings will be electronic via emails.
- Other mediums may be encouraged such as Skype, WhatsApp & social media.
- Minutes of the advisory group will be submitted to the People and Transformation Committee, and there will also be an agenda item at the committee, to enable feature and or significant work of the group to be presented.
- The advisory committee work will also be featured within the Board of Trustees agenda, sponsored by the chair of the People and Transformation committee.

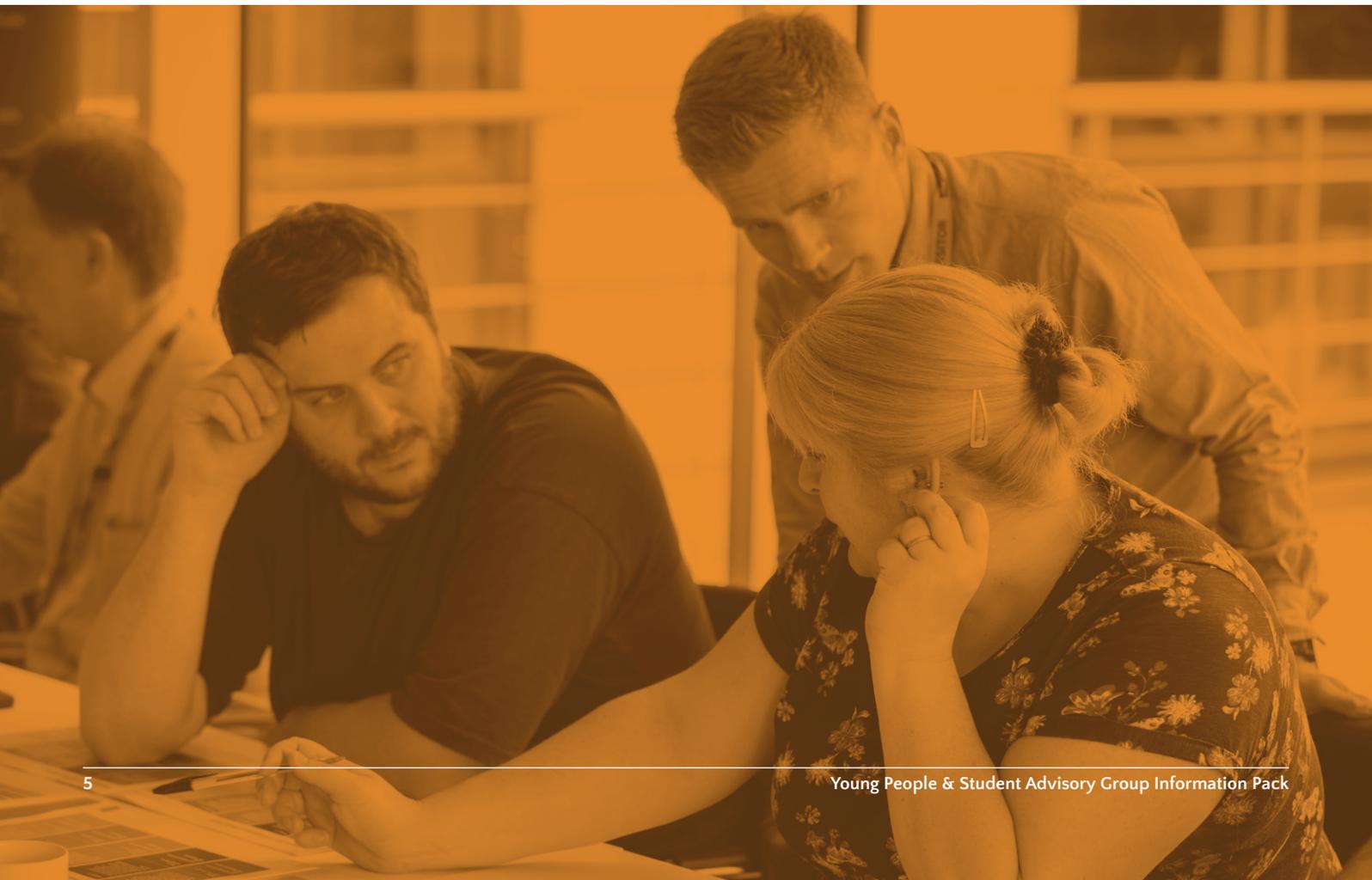
Review

The Terms of Reference of the Young People & Student Advisor group will be reviewed at least annually by YGAM's Board of Trustees in consultation with the Chair.

¹ A protocol will need to be established to safeguard charities brand and reputation.

² Panels will be made up of no few than two members, and follow volunteer recruitment protocol (*to be developed*).

³ Gender, race and cultures, regional, demographic and age groups.



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The YGAM Team

