



## The Debate Project

It's been a busy time for the Debate Project, we held two care leavers events last year which brought over 60 young people together from across Scotland to share their leaving care experience.

We have been working in partnership with Central and Local Government and other Voluntary Sector organisations and research bodies to build links, influence policy and raise awareness around the needs of care leavers.



We have been working closely with the media with recent features in national newspapers, The Sun and The Herald, STV featured a member of the Project discussing their experience of education and most recently members of the Debate Project shared leaving care experiences with BBC Radio Scotland, this was aired last week.

We have had a great time meeting young people from all over Scotland and have been able to gather your views to create our leaving care report [Life After Care](#). This report has been shared with Local Councillors, Central Government, the Scottish Parliament and other relevant partners.



And in between all that the young people in DP have gained new skills and of course managed to squeeze in a lot fun!!! Go karting, cinema, BBQs, eating out, smoothie nights, dvd nights and lots more!

I would also like to let you know that I am going to be leaving the Debate Project in March. A huge *Thank you* to all the young people I have met during my time here and the workers and organisations I have worked in partnership with.

The Forum will be filling the Participation Co-ordinator post as soon as possible and when the new worker is in post they will get in touch to let you know what DP are up to. Best wishes, Amy.

In the meantime if you need to get in touch

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