Principles to Enable Effective Youth Participation

☐ enable fun, challenge and excitement;
□ allow participation by choice;
 avoid pigeonholing of young men and women and generalising about their behaviour, opinions or ideas;
lacktriangle maximise the opportunity of success through adequate
lacktriangledown provide information, training, support, resources, time and space;
 address opportunities, needs and issues that are valued and respected by young people, their peers and the community;
□ start with the talents, capacities, assets and skills of young people, rather than their problems and deficiencies;
lacktriangle involve young men and women from the start;
$\hfill\Box$ create opportunities for young women and men to lead \ and teach;
lacktriangle maximise decision making and accountability by young people;
 develop young people's awareness of the social, political, economic, cultural and personal aspects of the issues affecting them;
lacktriangle make sense of, and demystify adult structures and processes;
 build active and supportive working relationships between young people and other members of the community;
lacksquare provide opportunities for training and skill development; and
encourage opportunities to reflect and analyse their experiences.