



Dear Youth Groups,

This is a communication to affiliated youth groups concerning the Coronavirus COVID-19 outbreak that updates the NAYC / ACUK communication sent out yesterday 16<sup>th</sup> March.

In the Government's late statement yesterday 16<sup>th</sup> March they have said that everyone in the UK is advised to avoid non-essential contact with others and unnecessary travel. Given this guidance we are now recommending that youth group meetings, activities and events are suspended until further notice. We recognise that a decision to suspend a youth group, or continue running, remains with the group leadership.

We are asking our own staff to cancel any arranged group visits and meetings from tomorrow 18<sup>th</sup> March.

We believe that the health of everyone involved in youth groups, both adults and young people, is our first priority and we will continue to follow official guidance and monitor this situation.

In respect of the latest guidance the following NAYC events and training sessions will now be cancelled:

Emerging Leaders weekend – 21<sup>st</sup> March

Craft Workshop – 31<sup>st</sup> March

Roller Skating – 21<sup>st</sup> April

Millionaires Quiz – 27<sup>th</sup> April

Unite Youth Event – 17<sup>th</sup> May

First Aid Training – 30<sup>th</sup> May

Safeguarding awareness Training – 18<sup>th</sup> June

Thank you for your support.

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