

Sharing the Participatory Research Experience – From the Other Side

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Hearing Our Voices

- Little life experience, but still experts of our own lives
- Tokenistic consultation
- Policies do not take account of our voices
- At school



Always a Focus on the Negative

- Blame for things that we don't do, or things that are not our fault
- The Ones that are troublemakers get all the attention and leave us with that image
- Only one negative story needed and then it's generalised onto all of us
- The good side of youth is silenced a lot, not heard enough because all attention is diverted towards the negative examples



Fast Food???

- Adults go there just as much
- We have no choice, limited budget, and want to go out together to socialize with food
- Healthy food is expensive



Food & Psychosocial Health

 'Healthy diet' is one that is healthy for all aspects of your health

 Allows us to tell positive stories and makes us feel good about ourselves



Using Research to Represent Our Voices and Image

- Allow to ask about things we do well
- Allow us to talk about things that are important to us
- Take action on things if you ask us
- Leave the questions broad



The End – Questions?



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