



JOIN  
OUR



YOUTH ADVISORY BOARD



# WHAT IS BIG DEAL?

BigDeal is a place for young people to get information, advice and guidance about gambling. We also help parents and professionals such as teachers, social workers and youth workers.

We know all about gambling, how someone else's gambling can affect you, and about the difficulties young people can get into if their gambling gets out of hand. That's why you can share your worries via our live chat or helpline, without fear of judgement.

BigDeal is dedicated to young people and is part of GamCare, the organisation that runs the National Gambling Helpline and Netline.

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Who are  
GamCare?



GamCare is the leading provider of information, advice and support for anyone affected by gambling harms. We operate the National Gambling Helpline, provide treatment for anyone who is harmed by gambling, create awareness about safer gambling and treatment, and encourage an effective approach to safer gambling within the gambling industry.



# WHAT IS A YOUTH ADVISORY BOARD?

A Youth Advisory Board, also known as YAB, is a group of young people and professionals that meet up on a regular basis.

The main aim of the YAB is to ensure our work is relevant and meets the needs of young people throughout the UK.

As a Youth Advisor, you have the opportunity to work with staff across the organisation, provide insights on our content, services and communication with young people.

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## Why join the YAB?

-  HAVE YOUR VOICE HEARD!
-  MEET OTHER YOUNG PEOPLE FROM ACROSS THE UK
-  DEVELOP SKILLS AND GAIN NEW TRAINING & EXPERIENCES
-  HIGH STREET VOUCHER IN RETURN FOR YOUR EFFORTS
-  MEALS AND EXPENSES COVERED



# YOUNG PEOPLE HAVE ALREADY HELPED US WITH...



**Our website**



**An app**



**A new logo**



**On social media**

# WHAT WILL WE BE DOING?

The YAB will give you the chance to be at the heart of decision making for young people in GamCare.  
Your voice, ideas and opinions are key to what we achieve together!

*In 2021/2022, the Board will work across different projects*

- You will get the chance to observe our team at work, offer ideas to make it better, co-create content and even co-deliver some training - if you like!
- You will get the opportunity to develop posts, videos and all types of content for our social media pages!
- You will be making decisions and help organise awareness campaigns, residentials and meet-ups across the UK.
- If you have lived experience of being affected by gambling, you can give us a clearer insight on how we can support people better.
- And you will be helping us reach everyone with our programme and services from every community, belief and background.







# HOW WILL WE WORK?

- The YAB will last up to 12 months.
- We will be attending monthly online meetings.
- These meetings will take place mainly in the evenings, can be arranged to suit everyone's needs.
- If it is possible to have face-to-face meetings these will take place across the UK with the aim to have at least one meeting in London.
- At the meetings Youth Advisors will hold discussions, present ideas, give opinions, co-create content and more.
- There will be chances to participate in workshops and training for specific projects as well as help with staff recruitment.

# WHO CAN JOIN?

- Any young person aged 11-17 interested can join.
- We welcome young people from all communities, backgrounds and beliefs, especially those that feel unheard within society.
- Whether you gamble yourself, experiencing gambling related harm, affected by someone else's gambling or have never gambled at all, you are invited to take part.

**18-25 years old? Join our Young Adults Advisory Board**

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# HOW TO JOIN

If you are interested in joining the YAB scan the QR Code with your phone's camera, complete the short form and our YAB Leader, will be in touch within the next day.

If you have any questions or need any help completing the form contact [YAB@gamcare.org.uk](mailto:YAB@gamcare.org.uk)



Scan here to join or  
click [HERE](#)





**For more information contact:**

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We are proud to work in partnership with The Duke of Edinburgh's (DofE) Award, the world's leading achievement award for young people, as an Approved Activity Provider (AAP) for the Volunteering Section.

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