

## Video Talkshop Project

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### Themes

NCB promotes the voices, interests and well-being of all children and young people across every aspect of their lives. Current and planned work focuses on the six strategic themes. This project relates to the following themes:

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- promoting participation and young citizenship;
  - communicating positive attitudes and images;
  - improving social and economic opportunities;
  - **enhancing health and well-being;**
  - celebrating diversity, valuing difference;
  - developing safe and positive environments;
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### Project summary

The main aim of the project is to promote the views and needs of bereaved children and young people. This will be achieved by producing a series of three videos, over three years, in which groups of children and young people can express their views about information, guidance and support provision before, during and after bereavement. The project is keen to stress the things that children and young people felt worked well for them, and also highlight areas in which children felt they would like to have been more involved. By listening to children directly - and allowing their voices to be heard - the Video Talkshop project hopes to provide a platform for the development of guidelines for consulting with children directly and including them in the development of services.

### Aims

To enable bereaved children to express their views and needs about the information, guidance and support they needed to enable them to manage the impact of death on their lives.

Increase awareness of the views and needs of bereaved children amongst service providers, and others.

Encourage Childhood Bereavement Network (CBN) members to increase involvement of bereaved children in the planning and delivery of services.

Involve bereaved children in the work of the CBN through participation in consultation exercises.

#### Objectives

Plan and produce a 'Talkshop' video in which bereaved children and young people talk about their views on guidance, information and support.

Show the Talkshop video at conferences and Information days, to (e.g.) health professionals; funders; social services; residential care homes; teachers; academics; researchers.

Market the video as a resource to schools, social services and other agencies.

Engage in a consultation process with the CBN consultation forum, to reach consensus about how to include participation of bereaved children in service development and delivery.

Include bereaved children from the first video in the planning and implementation of the second and third videos.

Include bereaved children and peer support groups in the CBN conference.

#### **Project outputs**

Childhood Bereavement Network (2004) 'It will be OK'. NCB (Video)

Childhood Bereavement Project (2002) A death in the lives of... NCB (Video)

Childhood Bereavement Network (2003) You'll always remember them, even when you're old. NCB (Video).

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