**Engaging young people in the BES strategic review**

**Background**

During the 2018 N4FG symposia, a number of young people spoke to our delegates and highlighted the role of young people in setting future strategies related to the environment.

We would like to group of young people aged 13-18 to give voice to young people within the society. We would like to

* Identify your primary concerns and aspirations for your future career and more broadly ecological/environmental science
* Hear your recommendations for how the BES might develop its strategy to meet your needs
* Hear your recommendations for how young people can be sustainably embedded within the BES decision making process

**Our proposed agenda for the 26th January 2019**

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| **10.00** | **Arrivals, introductions and icebreakers***Fun activities with everybody getting comfortable and happy to talk to each other* |
| **10.30** | **What does the BES already do and what do we want to get from today** |
| **10.45** | **Your keywords, the good and the bad***Post note activity on walls* |
| **11.00** | **What does the future look like?***Group work (2/4) facilitated by adults/ staff using*  |
| **11.45** | Break |
| **11.55** | **What might stop us?***Group work (2/4) facilitated by adult/ staff using* |
| **12.40** | Lunch |
| **13.15** | **So now: how do we make the future happen?***How we use objectives**Setting an objective**Group work (2/4) facilitated by adult/staff using SMART template* |
| **14.30** | Short break |
| **14.40** | **Review and feedback, discuss and prioritise***Personal reflection**Sticker voting**Post note questions, additional thoughts* |
| **15.00** | **Your voice:** *What do you hope the BES achieves for your future** *Drafting the vision, mission, values young people have for the BES*
* *Making young people heard*
 |
| **15.45** | **Next steps and thanks** ( goody bag)*Reporting**Timescales**Further engagement* |
| **16.00** | End |

If you would like to nominate a young person you know aged 13-18 years, if you would like to nominate yourself, please ask a parent/ guardian to email and we will send a registration form

Karen@ BritishEcologicalSociety.org