



ROWAN MUNSON

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CHARACTER VIRTUES

I'VE DEVELOPED THROUGH PARTICIPATION IN SOCIAL ACTION

Resilience Perseverance & Determination | Leadership |
Cooperation | Hope/Optimism | Empathy



*Rowan Munson, 18 years old
From: Leatherhead, England*

#iwill ... continue to campaign on youth issues such as Mental Health, Votes at 16, Curriculum for Life, Housing, and social and economic inequality

I am a firm advocate for youth voice, particularly in health and social care settings.

In 2013, I was elected to The British Youth Council's (BYC) National Scrutiny Group. I was a founder member of NHS Youth Forum in 2014 and have delivered workshops at NHSYF events around the country ever since. I was on the 2015 Youth Select Committee on Mental Health, was a UN Action/2015 Youth Ambassador for Sustainable Development Goals, helped create Barts NHS Youth Forum, delivered training for NCS The Challenge, was a UK flag bearer at the Commonwealth Service at Westminster Abbey, founded Surrey Youth Collective and acted as a Youth Consultant for Surrey County Council Youth Service Commissioning.

I have also been a member of my NHS surgery Patient Participation Group since 2015, representing youth issues at Steering Group level, and I have advised the Health Experiences Research Group at Oxford in 2016. I have written fortnightly Youth View columns for my local press for 18 months and blogged on Youth issues. I have also been heavily involved in the BYC Make Your Mark youth survey for the last three years.

I enjoy doing social action with as wide a range of organisations as possible to engage young people in their communities, especially when it comes to opportunities for co-production of young people's services.

"Through social action, I have realised that coming from a deprived area is not insurmountable to my achieving my ambitions."

Organisations I've Participated With:

British Youth Council, NHS Youth Forum, NHS England, Youth Select Committee on Mental Health, Barts NHS Youth Forum, NCS The Challenge, Surrey Youth Collective, Surrey County Council, UN Action/2015

