



**Summary of YCNI advice to the Education Authority on the planning for and conduct of RAG/LAG Review Conference March 2017, on the 27<sup>th</sup> October 2016.**

1. YCNI members welcomed the opportunity to give advice on the planning and organisation of the Conference.
2. YCNI advised that a **co-design** approach helps ensure a partnership approach from the start. It seems particularly suitable for a stand alone event such as a conference. This would mean involving the voluntary sector in devising the terms of the reference and the administration of the funding and the statutory side in running the conference.
3. YCNI advised the appointment of two chairpersons and in the spirit of collaboration recommend that one of these is a representative of the voluntary sector representatives on the RAG.
4. YCNI welcomed the involvement of young people in the process and suggest that NIYF be supported to facilitate a youth led event which would feed into the main conference.