

## Young people invited to join project teams

Maybe Magazine is inviting young people to get involved in a number of exciting projects funded by SaferMK. In return they will receive a ticket to an exclusive concert to be held in Milton Keynes on 4<sup>th</sup> November, featuring Mz Bratt and DJ Getts. People who show a genuine interest in these projects will also be offered the opportunity to attend a future journalism workshop and/or participate in a work experience programme with Maybe Magazine.

### 1. **Report on a fashion show to be held on 29<sup>th</sup> October at The Open University as part of Black History Month.**

Young people are required as part of the reporting team for the event. They will have the opportunity to:

- Photograph and video models during the main show whilst they are modelling the show's clothing and separately, wearing street clothes and posing menacingly.
- Construct a photographic montage showing the models in these two different environments and depicting opposing and conflicting attitudes and outward appearances.
- Construct an article that is published in Maybe Magazine and online and distributed to local media.

### 2. **Article and video on the correlation of video games and rap/grime music to violent behaviour.**

This project will investigate the influence of video games, rap and grime music and their correlation to violent behaviour amongst young people. It will interview young people who follow these channels and produce a video and article that will be published online by Maybe Magazine and distributed to local media. The aims of the project are:

- To draw conclusions that these channels can and do desensitise young people to violent behaviour and motivate young people to emulate such behaviour themselves.
- To identify any positive role models that currently exist in these channels and the efforts that are being made to influence positive behaviours.

### 3. **Article that examines and demystifies the Hoodie phenomenon.**

This project will investigate the Hoodie phenomenon. It will research the history and significance of the Hoodie and the impact it has had on society, including the effects on criminals and vulnerable people. It will interview people of all ages, in order to obtain a cross section of perceptions. The project team will produce an article that will be published online by Maybe Magazine. The aims of the project are:

- To research the real and perceived significance of the Hoodie in society.
- To identify positive role models that currently exist, who wear Hoodies, and the efforts that are being made to influence positive behaviours.

### 4. **Multi-media project analysing the concept of fear.**

This project will analyse and depict the concept of fear using multi-media. It will identify media items that portray the concept of fear and assemble these into a package that can be presented to others. The output from the project will be presented at the celebratory concert planned for 4<sup>th</sup> November and posted on-line for others to view. The aims of the project are:

- To research all media channels to identify the most appropriate examples of items that defines the concept of fear. All items will be selected against criteria that reject overly offensive or gratuitous material.
- To assemble the items (for example, a photographic montage, video clips) into a consolidated digital file and/or printed copy for communication to all interested stakeholders, including presentation at the concert on 4<sup>th</sup> November.

**5. Article on the perception of violence and how it influences behaviour.**

This project will analyse the perceptions of violence amongst young people and how that influences their behaviour. It will look at how perceptions motivate some people into replicating violent behaviour themselves and how others modify their behaviour through fear of being a victim. The output from the project will be posted on-line and distributed widely to target media. The aims of the project are:

- To research how perceptions of violent behaviour motivate and inspire young people to emulate such behaviour.
- To research how perceptions of violent behaviour motivate other young people through fear of being a victim themselves.

**6. Report analysing domestic violence amongst young people.**

This project will analyse the situation regarding domestic violence amongst young people. It will research the situation through interviews with people affected and identify support networks and services available. An article will be produced and published online. The aims of the project are:

- To research the levels of domestic violence amongst young people and identify the root causes of the issue.
- To interview victims, perpetrators, and those involved in running support networks and services.
- To identify the support resources available and highlight any opportunities to improve support.

**7. Article on martial arts / boxing as a positive channel for aggressive behaviour.**

This project will investigate martial arts and boxing as a positive channel for people with aggressive behaviour. It will interview young people who participate in these sports and produce a video and article that will be published online by Maybe Magazine. The aims of the project are:

- To draw conclusions that these sports offer a positive and effective alternative channel for young people to channel their aggressive behaviour.
- To examine the effect of role-model sports practitioners on young people.
- To publicise the benefits and opportunities for young people to engage in these sports.

**8. Interview of offenders at HMP Woodhill.**

This project will interview inmates and staff at HMP Woodhill and produce an article that will be published online by Maybe Magazine. The aims of the project are:

- To identify and document examples of extreme violent behaviour from the offenders' perspective.
- To examine the circumstances surrounding the incident.
- To explore the consequences for the offender, society, and the victim; from the offender's perspective.