

Communicating with young people

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The Youth Affairs Council of Victoria Inc. (YACVic) is the peak body and leading policy advocate on young people's issues in Victoria.

Our vision is for a Victorian community in which all young people are valued as active participants, have their rights recognised and are treated fairly and with respect.

**Communicating
information TO
young people**

**MEANINGFUL ENGAGEMENT
BETWEEN TWO PARTIES**

**Receiving communication
FROM young people**

How do we ensure effective engagement between young people and organisations





purpose ✓

**Have a clear purpose in
mind before you try to
engage young people**



Young people are not a homogenous group.

Meaningful
participation



I AM
MAKING
A STACK
OF
PAPER
AND I
FEEL
GOOD



Why do young people get involved in their communities?





Create multiple entry points & ways to be involved

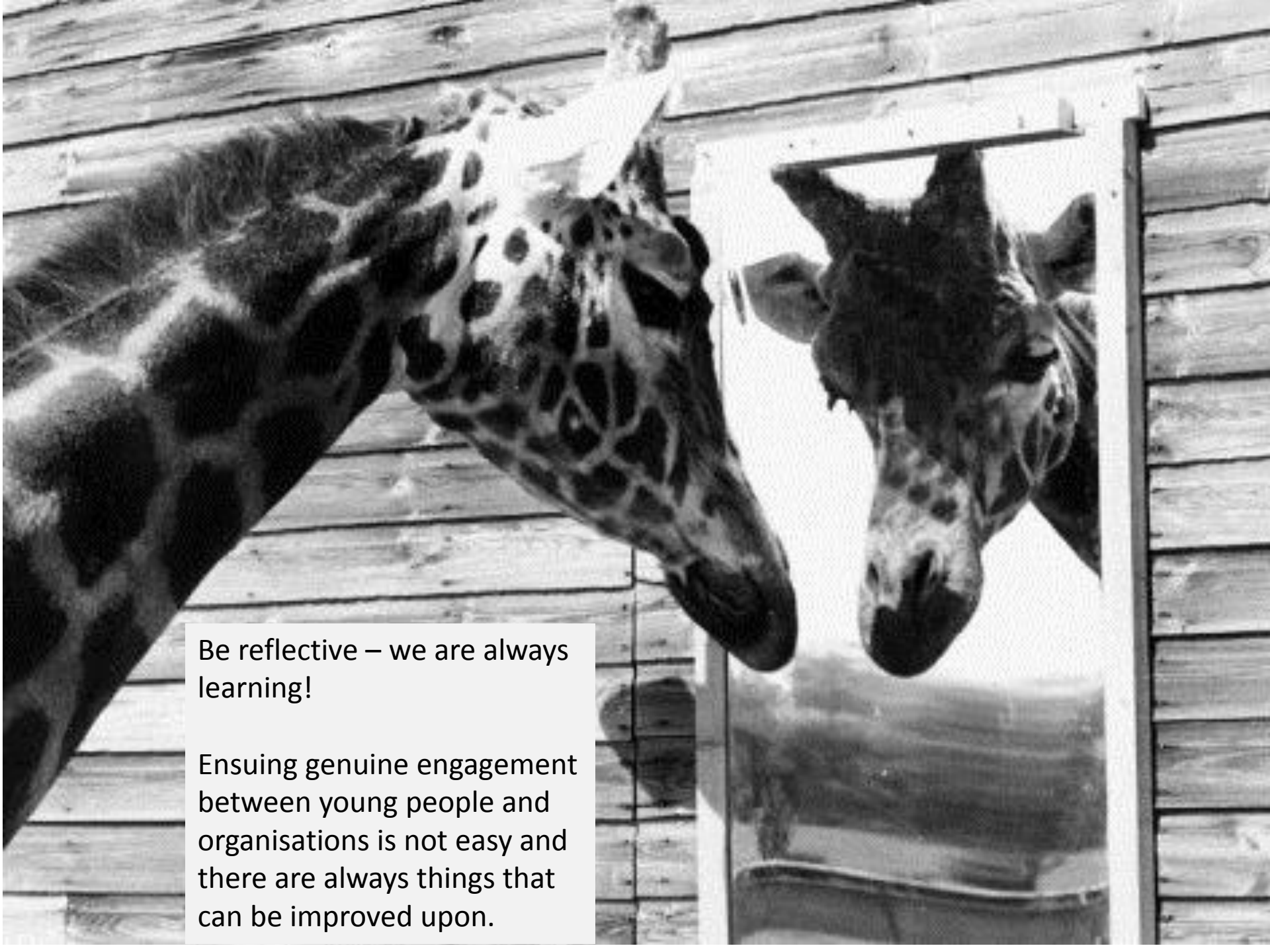
How flexible are you when it comes to the way you communicate?

Young people may not be willing, or even able, to attend a meeting in Council chambers but they might be happy to chat to you if you go to where they are.



A receptive audience for young people's ideas





Be reflective – we are always learning!

Ensuing genuine engagement between young people and organisations is not easy and there are always things that can be improved upon.



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