

# Young Persons Advocacy Service No voice ignored!







#### Second voice is...

A free, confidential & independent advocacy service for young people aged 11 – 25 years living in Wrexham County Borough.

## Do you feel that:

- You are not being listened to
- You don't have your say
- You don't know your rights
- You are worried about attending meetings
- You don't understand what they are saying



### Second Voice trained advocates will:

- Listen to what you have to say
- Take you seriously
- Help you to speak up
- Tell you about your rights
- Help you plan what to say
- Attend meetings with you or on your behalf
- Talk to professionals
- Help you to complain if you are unhappy about something

## Second Voice advocates won't:

- Tell you what to do
- Talk to others about you without your permission
- Judge you



## What is advocacy?

Supporting you to get your voice heard, helping you to express your wishes and feelings in situations and decisions that involve you, making sure you know your rights.



## **Children's Rights**

The United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child - Article 12 states that children have the right to say what they think should happen, when adults are making decisions that affect them, and to have their opinions taken into account.