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## Launch Event

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*‘Voice of young people’*

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**GET THERE** was launched to young people at three events held at HOW College’s Worcester campus. The hour-long sessions included a brief explanation of GET SAFE and GET THERE from Worcestershire Children First and a theatre performance to highlight the signs and risks of exploitation.

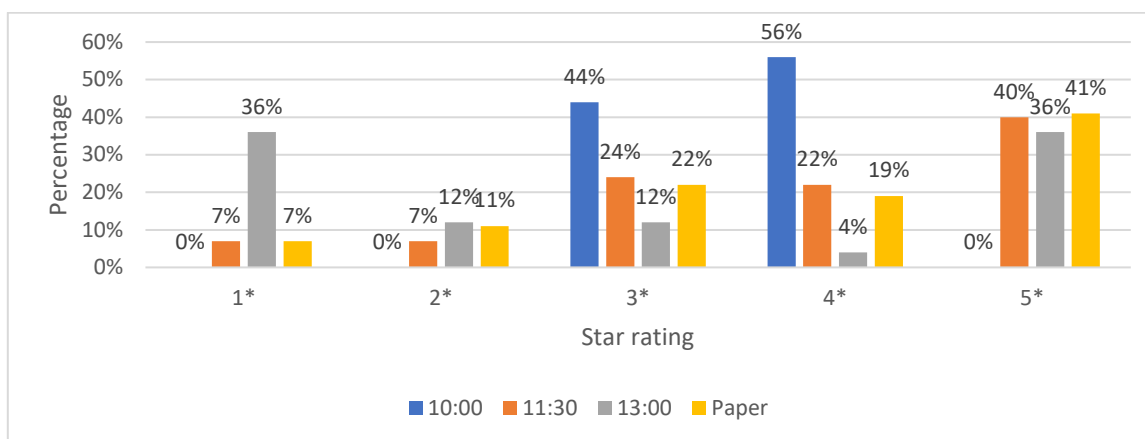
On entry to the theatre, young people were asked to rate their understanding of exploitation. After the performance, a question-and-answer session was held followed by more polls to gather the thoughts and feedback from young people about exploitation. Below is a summary of the results.

A total of 152 young people were reached across the day and results have been categorised based on the different groups of young people:

- 10:00 – performing arts students (20 young people)
- 11:30 – students with SEND and health and social care students (63 young people)
- 13:00 – students who were previously NEET (69 young people)
- Paper – students throughout all 3 performances who completed paper surveys rather than/as well as online (27 young people)

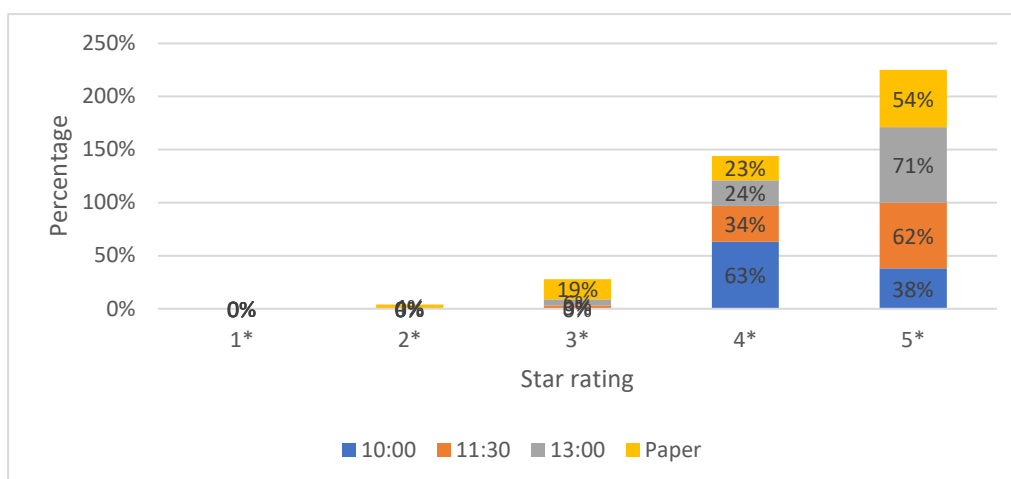
**1) Please rate your understanding of what exploitation is (on entry to the theatre)**

1\*= no understanding, 5\*= excellent understanding

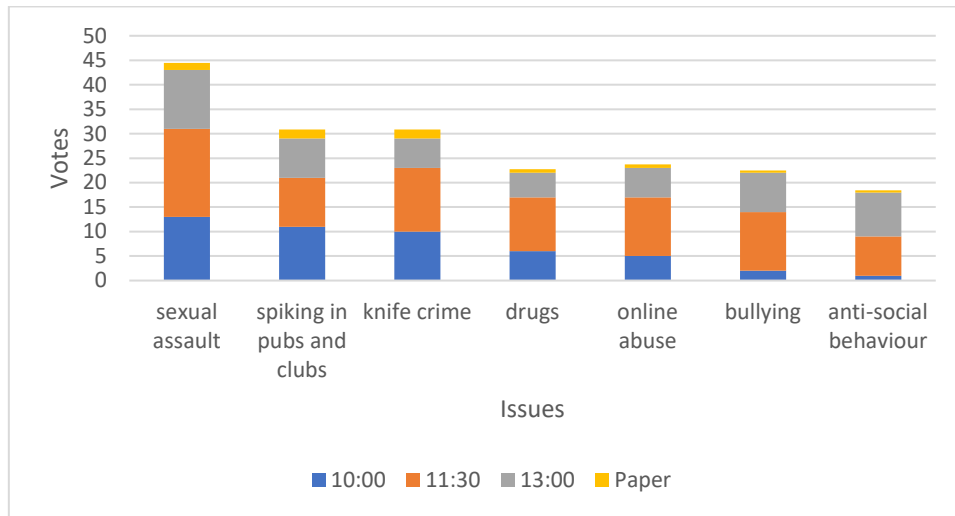


**2) After today’s performance, how well do you think you would be able to spot the signs of exploitation?**

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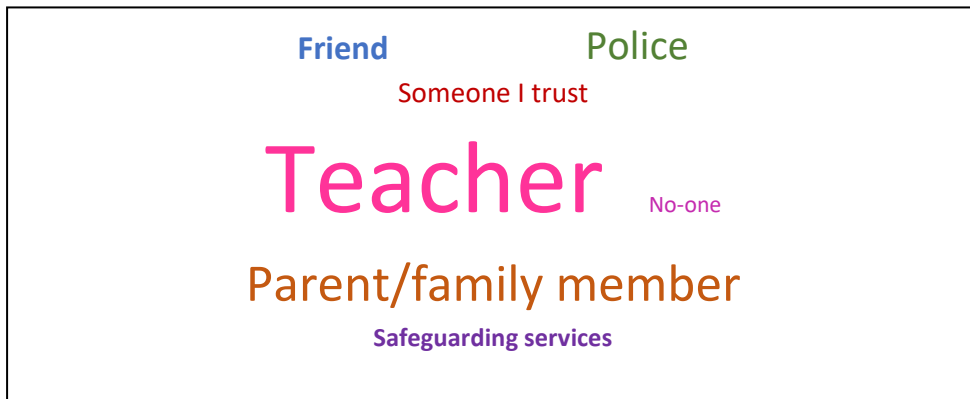


3) What are the current issues that you are most worried about in your community?



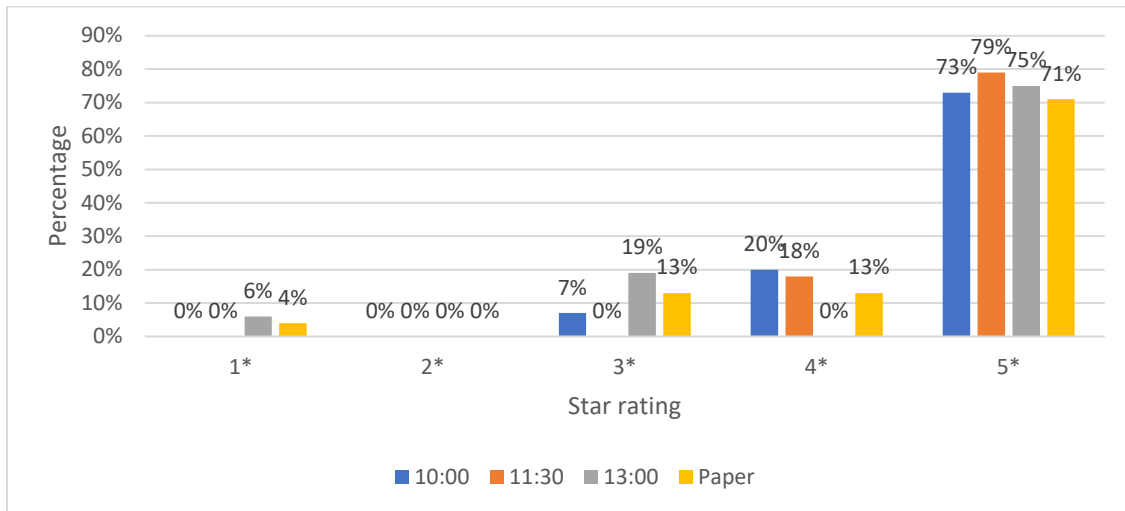
4) If you were worried about yourself or a friend, who would you tell?

Larger words represent more votes

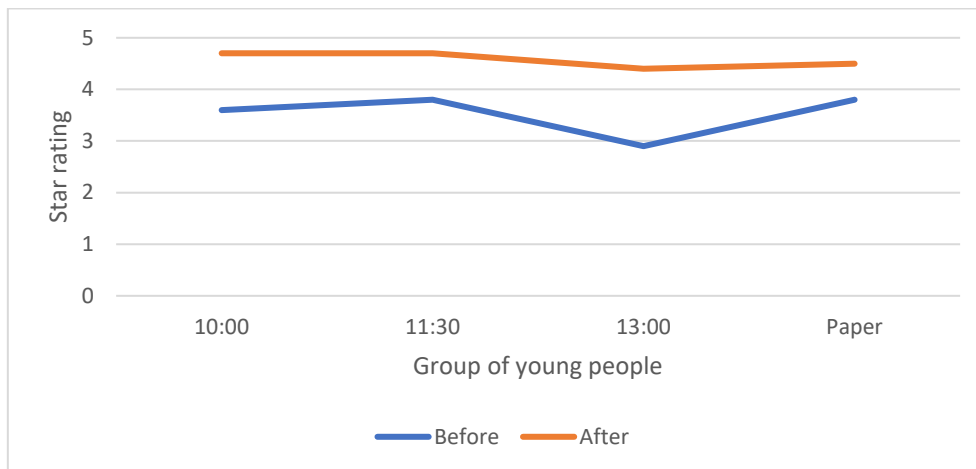


**5) Please rate your understanding of what exploitation is (at the end of the session)**

1\*= no understanding, 5\*= excellent understanding



The below graph shows the difference of how young people rated their understanding of exploitation before and after the session.



## In summary

- On average, young people rated their understanding of exploitation before the session as a **3.5 out of 5** which increased to a **4.5 out of 5** by the end of the session. This broke down as below:
  - Session 1 (10:00) increased from 3.6 out of 5 to 4.7 out of 5, college students
  - Session 2 (11:30) increased from 3.8 out of 5 to 4.7 out of 5, SEND young people
  - Session 3 (13:00) increased from 2.9 out of 5 to 4.4 out of 5, NEET young people
  - The paper results increased from 3.8 out of 5 to 4.5 out of 5, mixed across sessions
- On average at the end of the performance, young people rated their ability to spot the signs of exploitation as a **4.6 out of 5**
- Young people said the top issues they are worried about in their community are **sexual assault, spiking in pubs and clubs, and knife crime**
- The most chosen person that a young person would tell if they were worried about themselves or a friend is a **teacher, parent/family member or the police**

## Question and Answer session

Questions were mostly submitted anonymously by young people online to be answered by the theatre group or Worcestershire Children First professionals.

Performing Arts students in the first session had lots to ask the actors about their careers, rehearsal process and experience performing.



Other questions surrounded:

- How often exploitation happens and how many cases there are in Worcester and the UK
- How to spot the signs of exploitation
- What to do if you're involved in exploitation
- What happens if you report exploitation?
- How we can help other people if they are involved in exploitation

