

# Quotes

“The research has confirmed what I often hear – quite simply, most people get involved because they are asked to.”

Kirby Swales, director at Renaisi, UK

“Participation in the democratic life of any community is about more than voting or standing for election, although these are important elements. Participation and active citizenship is about having the right, the means, the space and the opportunity and where necessary the support to participate in and influence decisions and engaging in actions and activities so as to contribute to building a better society.”

European Charter on the Participation of Young People in Local and Regional Life

“Why should young people participate when they are mostly denied the right to participate or are disillusioned about the formal political process?”

Unknown