# Sport for Development and Peace

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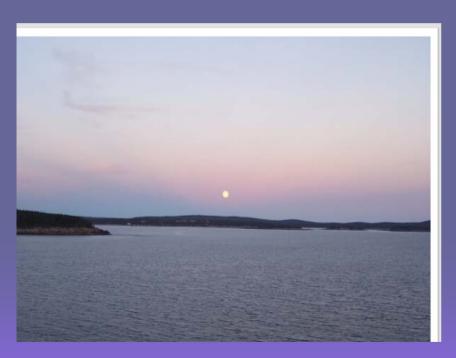
## Outline

- > Sport for development
- > Sport and race relations in Yorkshire
- > Value of Youth voices
- Ways to capturing the 'voices' of the participants and other stake holders

# **Sport for Development**

Sport for Development can be defined as using the power of sport to build on the values of development, such as equity, inclusion and sustainability, promoting children's development, furthering social inclusion and cohesion, and contributing to health, education and economic development

# What is Peace?









"Investing money in sport is not just a sports policy, it's a health policy, an anti-crime policy and an anti-drugs policy"

(Blair, 2000)

# Life in Europe

Political leaders in Britain and elsewhere now regularly discuss social problems in terms of their relationship to the 'loss of community', a lack of citizenship or similar themes.

Sport as a tool for promotion of diversionary activities; and community cohesion problems through citizenship programmes

### 'Thin Communities'

In a society marked by increasing 'individualization' it could be argued that PF projects are merely creating 'communities without commitment' or 'thin communities' (Bauman 2000: 199-201)



# Racial relationships in Leeds

#### Territorialism:

- Based on racial issues
- Where local rivalries and territorialism are present, PF projects can become part of the social processes which define these divisions.
- Sporting activities can also generate transformative spaces which undermine animosities tied to local affiliations and notions of 'race'.



### Research Tools



#### Participatory Action Research

(Observations, interviews and documentary sources)

Use of the Grounded Theory

# Young People's Views Research

- Tools used include video stories produced by groups of young people and audiovisual records of workshops in which young people screen and discuss videos.
- Youth Voices are captured but does that mean empowerment

### Cultural intermediaries

- > Social capital and the communitarian ideals
- Bridging the 'foreigners' space in grammar, policy discourse – voices from a far off
- > 'Civil hegemony' and the ruling class or policy makers

### Achievements

- > 1,448 "Core 50" young people engaged
- > 493 back in education
- > 228 volunteering within PF
- > 248 got a full time job, 359 part-time
- > 967 joined a club or playing affiliated sport

### Research Publications:

- Crabbe, T. (2005) Getting To Know You: Engagement and Relationship Building. First Interim National Positive Futures Case Study Report.
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