

## Including Young People in the preparation of and during the Confirmation Service

- Spend time either during your Confirmation preparation or have an additional 'get-together' or social where you can plan the service together; talk through the content and format for the event
- Ask them for their ideas of what they would like to happen in the service so you co-create this together
- Choosing hymns/songs
- Writing and leading readings/prayers
- Think about visuals/lighting/candles – the aesthetic is really important – transform the interior for the event and create an 'occasion'
- Physically go to the church building where it will take place and have a walkthrough to ensure they are comfortable with the environment
- Sharing testimony of their journey – ask the candidates to write a short note to say why they have decided to be Confirmed - produce a leaflet for the congregation with their picture and testimony (credit: St. Mary's, Longfleet)
- Consideration of liturgy/length of Service - see the C of E guidelines [here](#)
- 'Postcards' to Bishop - YP who attend the Cathedral Confirmation Service provide the Bishop with a postcard in advance of the events with a brief personal statement outlining a little about themselves and why it is important for them to get confirmed at this time; alternatively, send a copy of the leaflet mentioned above

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