

EMPOWERMENT CASE STUDIES

Case Study 1

Five of the Seniors in your Company ask if it might be possible for them to use a redundant room on the church premises as a BB clubroom. The room is in a very poor state of repair and has become a place where junk is stored. You and the other two officers in the Company are already very busy and do not really have the time to undertake more work in clearing and preparing the room.

- At what level on the Participation Ladder could this project be pitched?
- What steps would need to be taken to get the project off the ground?
- What important role would you or one of the other officers undertake as the project progresses?

Case Study 2

Your Company Section usually goes on a camping holiday to the coast for a week in the summer each year, alternating between two campsites every year. Twenty Company and Senior boys went to the last camp along with four staff. The planning for the camp and the delivery of the programme is usually undertaken by the four staff and three older Seniors, these Seniors run the on-site games and sports. Early in the new session, a group of boys speak to you about next year's camp asking if it would be possible to go somewhere else instead.

- Where does this case study fit on the Participation Ladder?
- What could be done to increase the level of empowerment?
- What steps would need to be taken?

Case Study 3

Your Company and Seniors meet together once a week; there are usually twelve boys present and three staff. Several of the boys speak to you about the possibilities of including regular trips and visits in the programme, perhaps one per school term. They suggest ice-skating and ten pin bowling for starters.

- Where does this case study fit on the Participation Ladder?
- How might these ideas be used to good effect using the Participation Ladder?
- What important role would you or one of the other officers need to undertake in support of their ideas?