

Norma the rapping Granny meets the West Midlands!

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When Andy Marlow, MYP for Birmingham, got some money to shoot a campaign video for our regional campaign 'See the Good Behind the Hood' he called a planning meeting with other MYPs to come up with ideas.

During the meeting we were sharing different ideas which could go into the campaign video and I told everyone about Norma (the 71 year old rapper).

I remembered that Norma had done a rap on Britain's Got Talent

about the stereotype of young people and felt this linked in with the campaign.

So I called Norma and asked her to come along to a UKYP West Midlands regional meeting. The poor women didn't know what to expect from the region although she still came along and left a lasting effect on not just myself but others who were there.

The one word I would describe Norma with is 'amazing'! And on behalf of myself and the West Midlands region I wish her the best of luck for the future!



Interview with Norma

What did you think about coming to the meeting?

The meeting was a great experience and I found it quite educational and I found there was a lot of positive thinking around me.

Is UKYP everything you

expected before you came?

Of course! The members of UKYP are the future and will be picking all the pieces up after all this 'credit crunch'. I think its great that the young people have got a parliament that speaks up for them.

Is it important for young people to have a voice?

Absolutely! Young people shouldn't be locked away and should be able to have a voice on issues that will be affecting their kids in future. This is their country too!

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