



Introduction to Working with Young People *Getting Back on the Rails*

Paul is one of several non-Bengalis who have become members of The Factory project.

Paul

Just kept me out of trouble, a lot of trouble. It gives you something to do, if you've got nothing to do, it ends up in trouble, don't it, usually? You know, they just look at you and think you're a job on the street and just brush you away, sort of thing.

He's changed a lot since his early teens.

I was a handful at that age. Always getting in trouble, not bothered about anything or anyone. And now I've grown up and I've got to get on with it, sort of thing.

Andrew

Are you going to do it all proper, then?

Paul

Yeah, I've passed my theory, I've got my provisional.

Andrew has played an important part in helping Paul's development as he moves into adulthood.

Paul

Coming here and seeing Andrew, has put me on the rails, sort of thing. Getting me to do certain things and doing different trips and tasks and sort of guidance in the long run, and that.

Andrew

2.30, can you get to Mountfields?

Paul values the guidance Andrew gives.

Paul

You can communicate with him and he listens to you, no matter what your problem is. And he's always been there for me in the years I've known him, when I've needed him, and other people, family, haven't, and he has.

Andrew

Do you want to go back to the summer camping thing?

Group Member

Yeah, that was good, can we do that again? That would be quite good, we saw the pictures –

Andrew's inclusive approach is important to Paul.

Paul

It works well with all different mixture groups. It doesn't matter, skin colour, because obviously some people it does. He don't say, 'oh yeah, he's better than him and he's better than him,' everybody's just the same to Andrew.

Unlike many other adults, Andrew has won Paul's trust.

Paul

It's nice to feel that he's got time for you, and to give you that extra little push, because nobody else does.