OBTAINING INFORMED CONSENT SAFEGUARDING CHECKLIST

❏ Check whether the young person has sufficient capacity to consent.

❏ Respect a young person’s refusal to participate or decision to stop taking part.

❏ Clearly communicate (written and verbally) with young people that they do not have to participate, can withdraw at any time, and that a decision not to participate will in no way affect their relationship with any organisation or individual involved.

❏ Provide multiple opportunities for young people, and their parent/guardian, to ask questions about what will be required of them.

❏ If you are sharing photos of young people, receive consent from the individual for use of the specific photo and tell them the context of how the photo will be used and where it will be shared. See the *‘Photo consent form template’* in the *‘Obtaining informed consent from young people and parental consent’* mini-guide.

❏ Ensure young people are not pressured to participate in any way. The honorarium offered should not be coercive, i.e. an inappropriately high amount (see *‘Guide 7: Celebrating contributions and closing the feedback loop’* for more details).

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