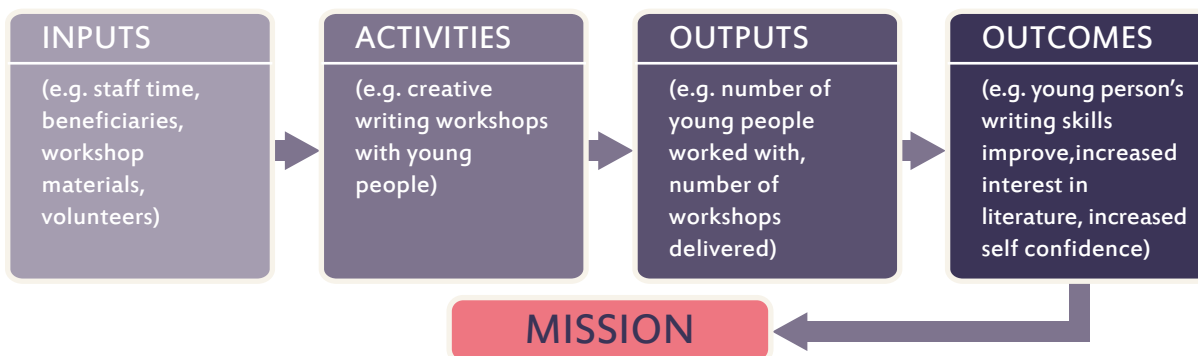


FIVE-POINT GUIDE TO A THEORY OF CHANGE

1 What is a theory of change?

- It explains the changes you hope to bring about (outcomes) for your beneficiaries and how you intend to do this (activities).
- Should be transparent, logical and accessible.
- Often expressed as a diagram.

2 What does it look like?

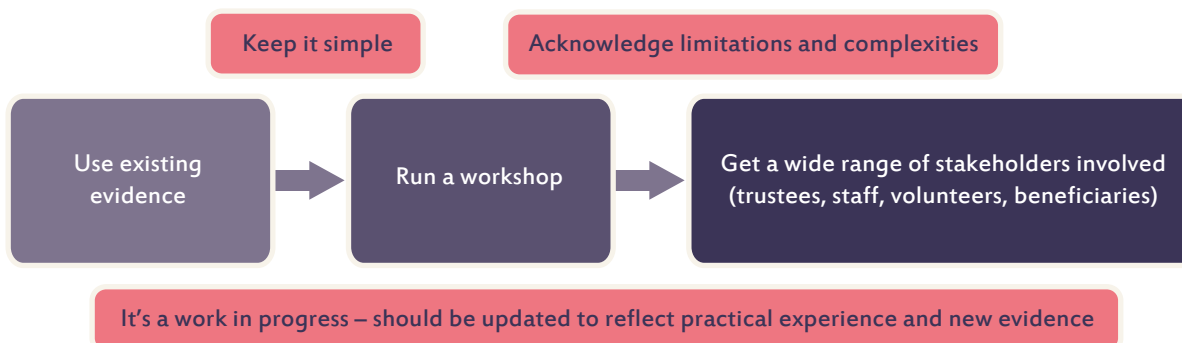


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3 Why is it important?

- Articulates what you hope to achieve and how.
- Helps identify assumptions in your activities.
- Forms a basis for claims around attribution of outcomes.
- Determines what changes need to be measured.
- Identifies/hypothesises a rationale for causality.
- The logic will appeal to your funders and help in their funding decisions.

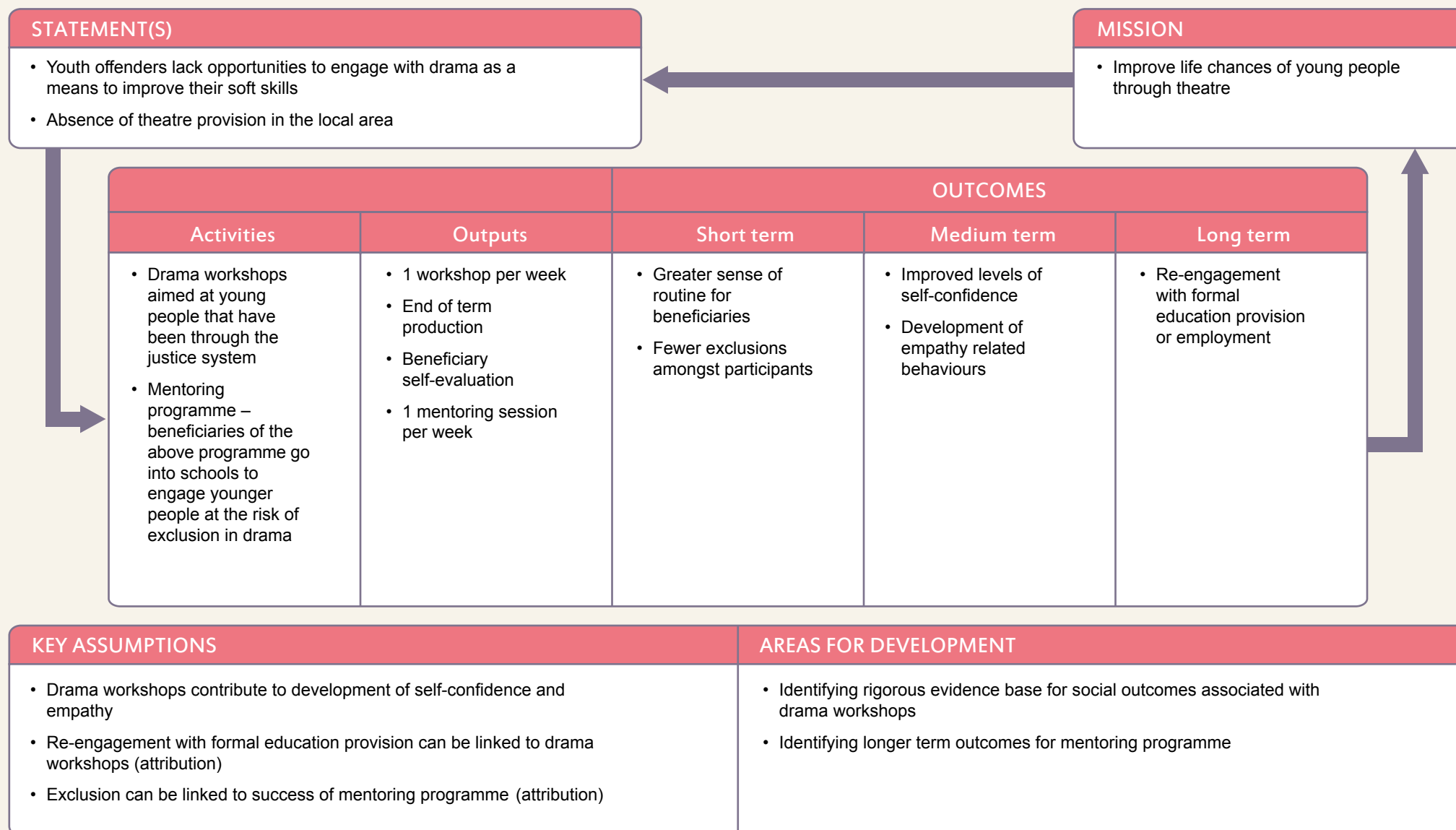
4 The process



5 Refining

- Separating outcomes: short, medium, long term.
- What outcomes will you measure? How?
- Making clear any unverified assumptions.
- Connecting activities & outcomes to existing (academic evidence).

EXAMPLE THEORY OF CHANGE



THEORY OF CHANGE - TEMPLATE

(This can be completed in the pdf)

STATEMENT(S)		MISSION		
		OUTCOMES		
Activities	Outputs	Short term	Medium term	Long term
KEY ASSUMPTIONS		AREAS FOR DEVELOPMENT		