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UNIVERSITY OF EDINBURGH PEER SUPPORT PROJECT



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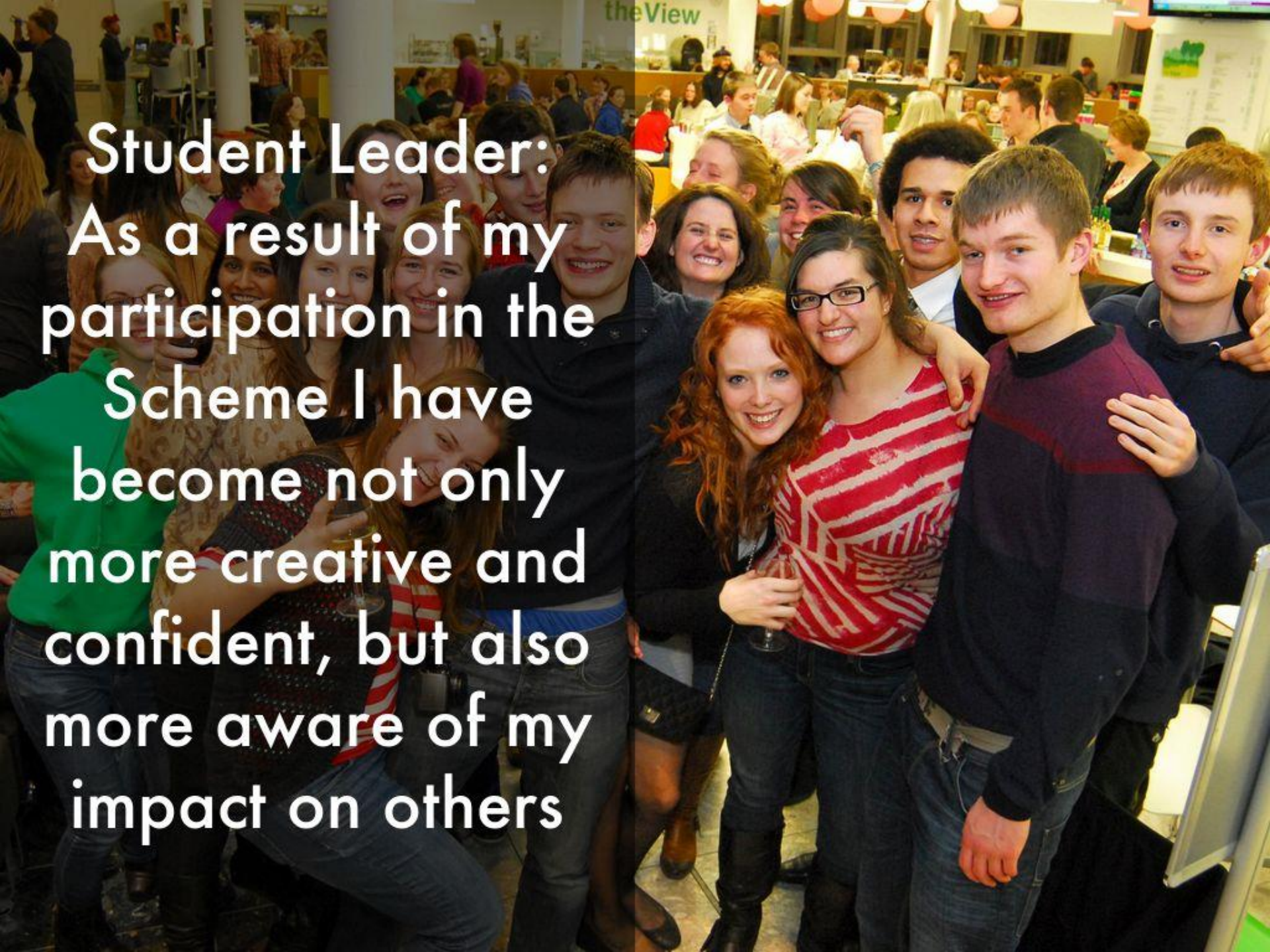
Where we started:

- Sept 2012: There were a number of examples of excellent practice in peer support, including completely student run peer-learning projects
- However overall it lacked consistency, support and quality assurance
- First steps: We undertook a wide ranging consultation with staff and students and examined example's of peer-learning nationally and internationally
- Findings: Students at Edinburgh felt they lacked a sense of community, belonging and the chance to share their views and get feedback



Where we are now:

- **60** Projects running across **22** Schools supported by over **500 Volunteers**
- These include **Peer-Assisted Learning, Mentoring, Befriending** and **House Systems** among many others
- **33%** of Undergraduates attended Peer Support in Semester 1 AY 14/15
- Convener of the **Scottish Peer Support Network**
- Won an **NUS and UKCISA Award for Excellent International Student Support** for Edinburgh Buddies and Peer Proofreading
- Received a distinction as an **excellent example of partnership between a Students Association and a University** from NUS.

A large group of young people, likely students, are gathered at a social event. They are smiling and posing for a photo. The background shows a busy indoor space with other people and a sign that says "theView".

**Student Leader:
As a result of my
participation in the
Scheme I have
become not only
more creative and
confident, but also
more aware of my
impact on others**