

# YOS Partnership Meeting

20 June 2012

Civic Hall, Room 4

Leeds Youth Offending Service

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	<p><u>Highlight report</u> Stephen highlighted the Childview project is moving forward and has advanced since it was last discussed two years ago at the Partnership meeting.</p> <p><b><u>Finance (papers distributed)</u></b></p> <p>YOS finances are on track. There are some funding threats in relation to the YJB formula. The YJB are rewriting the formulas and Leeds may not benefit from the change but we have benefited from a number of grants. There should be an update on the new formula in the summer. The overall pot of money from the Ministry of Justice is being reduced due to the pressures in the Ministry of Justice. Therefore next year will be difficult in terms of finance.</p> <p>The YJB have assured us that the formula is fair but there will be beginners and losers. There are four formulas in total and 3 disadvantage Leeds but there would be a tapering effect and would be gradually implemented. The losers would be the core cities but there has been some lobbying around this. The gainers will be the shire counties.</p> <p><b><u>Management report (papers distributed)</u></b></p> <p><u>Accommodation</u> This is still an ongoing situation but there have been no other concerns since the last Partnership meeting. Tom is keen to set a deadline for September to find suitable accommodation. Although the YOS are happy to try and meet this deadline and will do their best they are keen to get the right location and building as a lot of factors need to be taken in to consideration due to the clients that currently attend at the Marshall Street office.</p> <p><u>Car Crime Project</u></p> <p><b>Action: Rebecca to circulate the Car Crime link of a video of the project which has been a success.</b></p>	RG
	<p><b><u>Update on Custody Pathfinder</u></b></p> <p>A reminder that the custody pathfinder started in October 2012 and the target was to reduce custody by 10% each year for two years</p> <p>The YJB Quarter 2 figures shows a reduction of 17% whereas our figures show 22% therefore there is a wide variation and the West Yorkshire Consortium are working with the YJB to look at the reason for this but it does highlight that we are on track and Leeds are doing really well.</p> <p>There has been a gradual decline around burglary offences but there is an increase in robbery offences. The YOS has been using Family Group Conferencing (FGC) which has had a significant impact and other family interventions. When young people are in Crown Court workers are visiting families to help strengthen the report. A robbery programme has been developed and bail packages have been addresses offering different intensive bail support. There have also been compliance panels around breach.</p>	

	<p><b><u>Implications of Legal Aid, Sentencing and Punishment of Offenders Act 2012</u></b></p> <p>The LAPSO bill has received Royal Assent there are some changes relevant to Youth Justice. In brief there are changes to Referral Orders such as the court being able to give repeated Referral Orders, changes to curfew to impose more hours in the day and for up to 12 months rather than the current 6, remand changes, out of court disposals, knife crime sentencing, and rehabilitation of offenders.</p>	
	<p><b><u>Out of court disposals</u></b></p> <p>Due to decreased workload there is a lot of need for young people outside of the YOS. Prevention work is an area that the YOS have not been involved in but due to the decreased workload we now have the opportunity to look at this area. Some areas such as Hull have introduced a Triage system in police stations with the YOT and are doing early intervention work, acting as an appropriate adult and doing ONSET assessments.</p> <p>Rebecca has been discussing with Sam Millar who suggested that Police will be open to working in Partnership with the YOS and there is now a multi-agency project group to work on the approach Leeds will adopt.</p> <p>The YOS are hoping to go live in autumn.</p> <p>Jancis expressed her interest in building in to this assessment.</p>	
	<p><b><u>Serious incidents</u></b></p> <p>There are no incidents to formally report.</p> <p>There are currently 4 Local Management Reports being prepared all known to the YOS.</p> <p><b>Action: More feedback will be given at the next Partnership meeting</b></p>	<p><b>RG</b></p>