YOS Partnership Meeting

05/12/12 Civic Hall



	Attendees: Andy Peaden (YOS), Tom Riordan (Chair), Cllr Jarosz (LCC), Jean Davey (Youth Service), Julie Staton (LCC), Jim Hopkinson (LCC), John Hazlegreaves (YOS), Tracey Bagley (Court), Neil Moloney (Probation), Nicola Sedgwick (Platform), Rebecca Gilmour (YOS), Richard Chillery (NHS), Rachel Claughton (Police), Jenny Bright (YOS), Claire Duguid (minutes) Apologies: Alun Rees (LCC), Robert McCartney (LCC), Steve Walker (LCC),	
	Stephen Deathe (YOS)	Action
1.	Minutes from the last meeting 19 September 2012 The minutes of the last meeting were agreed as correct.	Action
	With regard to the outstanding actions; Andy Peaden has provided a written report from the YJB around regional data on serious incidents to look at Leeds in comparison with the North East. Andy would like to feed back responses from the Partnership about this report to the YJB.	
	Action: Partnership members to email Andy and responses they may have around the report.	All members
	There have been no further serious incidents since the last Partnership meeting.	
	The Youth Service confirmed that they have had been dealing with a serious incident involving an attempted suicide.	
	Action: Jean Davey to email an lessons learnt to the Partnership Board Platform also reported that they have had a number of serious incidents around attempted suicide and numbers appear to be increasing.	JD
	There was discussion around ways of maximizing potential for learning lessons between agencies and to look at ways of improving targeting of services for young people at risk. Tom agreed to write a letter to Chris Butler (Mental Health Team).	
	Action: Andy to draft a letter for Tom.	AP
	Substance Misuse and Domestic Violence - Jim has had a conversation with Ian Cameron and has met with Louise Hacker and Jim has agreed to write a report to the Children's Trust Board in February 2013.	
	<u>Thematic Inspection on high demand families</u> – Andy has agreed to postpone volunteering for this inspection. The framework will be revised at some point in the future and will be discussed at the Partnership Meeting in due course.	
	Peer review process – currently on hold at the moment.	
2.	Working with Girls Jenny Bright from Leeds YOS delivered a motivational presentation around girls work which has just won two innovation awards from the YJB and the John Hawkins Award for Innovation. Congratulations from Tom Riordan and the Partnership.	
	There are a team of 12 specialist workers that have put together a programme specifically for girls; there are 5 modules within the programme which can be delivered as individual sessions or as a full programme. A booklet has been	

produced for magistrates so they can offer the programme as part of a sentence.

All sessions have an evaluation to measure outcomes. Leeds YOS are also working in strong partnership with Together Women, Genesis and Barnardos.

The YJB are keen to work with Jenny and the team to move this work forward on a broader scale.

A lot of interest came from the Partnership Board and they were keen to work alongside Jenny to help in other areas of Children's Services.

JH expressed his interest specifically around working with the attendance service. **Action: Jim and Jenny to make contact.**

JH/JB

JD also expressed interest for the Youth Service and to build in around prevention work. **Action: Jean to contact Jenny to arrange a meeting.**

JD/JB

Other areas raised were around the assessment tool produced by the YJB. NM from Probation highlighted that the current assessment tool from YJB is not gender specific and is this something we can challenge the YJB on. It was agreed that it would be a good idea to write to the YJB.

Action: Jenny to draft a letter and Tom Riordan has agreed to support this letter.

JB

RC from NHS suggested that a more robust evaluation would be helpful and that it might be a good idea to link in to the University to possibly look at a Psychologist to develop an evaluation tool.

3. Reports to Partnership

Finance

In 2012 we have seen a reduction in 13 full time vacancies making a saving of £410k. There has been an increase in YOS prevention work leading to the development of the Stainbeck Pilot and due to this the YOS feels there is a need to advertise a small number of vacancies for YJW/YJO positions.

Andy highlighted that the YOS management group are having an away day to look at the future structure and direction of travel. The YOS are currently risking losing staff to other LCC services which are expanding. We need to ensure statutory work is covered, hence the reason to recruit in to a small number of positions.

Accommodation

The YOS have received approval for external lease to relocate the Marshall Street office. An office has been identified but access to this site has been problematic. Once costs have been finalized the report will be sent to the Asset Management Board who will then confirm the go ahead. Tom Riordan expressed his wish to make progress on this issue and suggested that if the YOS runs in to any difficulty to highlight the issue to him.

Performance

Andy presented this paper on behalf of Stephen Deathe and highlighted a number of areas.

First Time Entrants continues to fall. There are two potential areas of concern around numbers of NEET young people and problems with recording around frequency of contact of young people.

Andy is looking into both areas in more detail. Action: Andy to feedback at the next Partnership. ΑP The YOS is now using the new case reporting system Childview which went live in October. At the moment there is no capacity for data analysis or reporting. This applies to all eight services that are currently using Childview. The YJB are aware and have raised the issue with CACI. A patch is being run on the system which will hopefully enable the YOS to build a new reporting framework. There have been some issues with ICT around software issues but most of these have now been resolved. The YOS are hoping for the Windows 7 upgrade in January which will hopefully improve functionality. Tom expressed his concern around the ICT issues and Childview and would like an update to see how the issues are being resolved with ICT and how the patch update goes on Childview Action: Andy to email Tom Riordan with an update. ΑP **YOS Managers Report** Andy presented his report and highlighted a couple of areas. The successful candidate for the Police Crime and Commissioners is Mark Burns-Williamson (Labour). Andy will be meeting with Mr Burns- Williamson in due course. Andy highlighted the work with Dance United which is making a big impact on those young people attending the programme. ISS are currently running a programme with HMP Leeds called 'Make a Change' which brings together young people and adult inmates which is seeing promising results. Action: Andy to bring more details to the next Partnership meeting. ΔP Andy on behalf of the Partnership Board expressed his thanks to Tom Riordan for chairing the YOS Partnership meetings and a welcome to Cllr Jarosz who will be taking on the Chair's role. Tom is sad to be stepping down but would like an elected Councillor to chair future meetings, in line with other strategic meetings. Tom is happy to lend support in the future and would like to be updated once a vear. **Early Intervention Update** The Stainbeck pilot went live on 5 November. There are three full time equivalent members of staff working 9am-9pm covering one division to date. They will see all young people coming through the Police area and will be undertaking assessments where applicable and referring to other agencies if needed.

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So far, the project has gone well in terms of relationship building and there is a great deal of goodwill in the city which should maximize the likelihood of success.

However, there have been a number of issues with ICT which have slowed down access to information on young people such as access to Childview, Synergy and ESCR. A month in to the project and there is still no functional IT system onsite which is a frustration but the team are doing the best that they can. A physical line has now been put in to the station to access IT and by next week the team should be able to provide a full service.

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	The senior command team has given approval to go live with the west division from January.	
	Action: Rebecca and Rachel to meet and discuss further.	RG/RC
	Tom expressed his further concern around the ICT issue for the Stainbeck pilot and would like Andy to send him a short email highlighting the issues that Stainbeck have faced and the issues re Childview and Tom will forward on to Alan Gay.	
	Action: Andy to email Tom Riordan	AP
	The volume of work coming through Stainbeck is around 3/4 young people per day. It is anticipated that as the Police develop community resolution work there will be fewer young people going to Police Stations. Rachel Claughton has received some data around community resolutions between April and July 2012.	
	Action: Rachel to circulate data in due course.	RC
5.	LASPO The new legislation came in to force on Monday 3 December 2012. From this date any young person remanded will become looked after. The YOS have agreed that seconded social workers in the YOS will pick up this function and will become the lead social worker if the young person at this time does not have any social work service involvement. The exact processes between the YOS and CSWS needs finalizing.	
	The full costs of remands to youth detention accommodation will be transferred to the local authority in April 2013.	
6.	User Voice Report previously circulated.	
	Eight young people attended the event organised by User Voice which was very uplifting. Five areas were chosen for the yp to discuss with participants. This included concerns about police practice which should be picked up at a separate event. There was a particular area around the Police but this will be picked up in a separate event.	
	Main areas were around the Marshall Street office and the area and a focus around ISS, time spent in the office and not out in the community and consistency of breach.	
	The next step is to go over the report with the YOS management team to agree a plan of how the YOS can show they have listened to the YP and to feedback to the YP in the service.	
	Concerns were raised around the specialist services feedback in the User Voice report.	
	Action: Andy to look in to this section in more detail and feedback to Nicola at Platform.	AP
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