

STOCKTON-ON-TEES BOROUGH COUNCIL

CABINET RECOMMENDATIONS

PROFORMA

Cabinet Meeting3rd December 2015

1. Title of Item/Report

Review of Open Access Provision for 11-19 Year Olds within Stockton-on-Tees

2. Record of the Decision

Consideration was given to a report on the review of provision for 11 to 19 year olds Within Stockton on Tees.

The Universal / Open-Access Youth Provision was a Stockton Borough Council (SBC) in-house delivered service that operated at locations across the borough and operated in a way that many would describe as the traditional 'youth clubs.' The service costs circa £470,000. In addition the Council provided subsidy and supported a range of organisations who provided culture and leisure opportunities for 11-19 year olds.

The report sought support for the principle of focusing the Council's Open Access Youth Provision resources on the guidance and support to young people, rather than on the activities and settings in which that guidance and support was provided. This was based on a belief that there were suitable settings which were subsidised by the Council or run by partners who shared the objectives for supporting young people.

The review affected 3 full time posts, 2 part time posts, and 30 sessional staff members involved in delivering the service.

RESOLVED that:-

1. The principle of focussing Open Access Youth Service resources on the provision of advice and guidance to young people be endorsed, rather than on the settings and activities within which this support is provided.

2. Officers be authorised to explore in detail and consult upon the proposed service delivery options, and present a further report to Cabinet.

3. Reasons for the Decision

To allow the Council to respond to reducing budgets and explore alternative models for the delivery of Open Access Youth Services.

4. Alternative Options Considered and Rejected

None.

5. Declared (Cabinet Member) Conflicts of Interest

None.

6. Details of any Dispensations

N/A

7. Date and Time by which Call In must be executed

Midnight on 11th December 2015.

Proper Officer
07 August 2015