

18th January 2011

Safer Stockton Partnership

15 February 2011

Present:

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| Mike Batty | Head of Community Protection (Chair) |
| Terry Frank | Integrated Youth Support Services Manager |
| Miriam Robertson | Manager, Youth Offending Service |
| Peter Seller | Assistant Director of Commissioning (PCT)/Head of Children & Young People's Strategy (LA) |
| Mick Williams | Chief Inspector, Cleveland Police |
| John Graham | Senior Probation Officer (on behalf of Lucia Saiger) |
| Caroline Wood | Housing Options Manager, Strategy & Development |
| Lynda Brown | Head of Children, Schools & Complex Needs |
| Jenna Ditchburn | Admin Officer, Youth Offending Service |

Apologies:

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| Mike Robinson | Benefits Manager, Citizens Advice Bureau |
| Jean Bell | HMCS Magistrates Court |
| Lucia Saiger | Durham & Tees Valley Probation Service |
| Shaun McLurg | Head of Children and Young People's Operational Services |

1. 'Breaking the Cycle' Criminal Justice Green Paper

Debbie Cooper from the Youth Justice Board delivered a presentation to the Board on the Criminal Justice Green Paper. MR is to put together an initial draft response which will be presented at the Children's Trust Board (PS to confirm date of next meeting with MR) and submitted as a Stockton wide response via the SSP.

ACTION: MR/PS/MB

2. Minutes & Matters Arising

Health Benchmarking: PS advised that he has not yet looked into this. To be rolled over to next meeting.

Re-Offending Analysis from 2010 Cohort – MR will present a report on the most recent cohort at the July meeting.

ACTION: MR

YCAP Update – TF advised that the FIP report will be submitted to SGMT early February. The service is positively viewed due to the outcomes and there is a national drive due to the savings made. TF will provide feedback at the next meeting.

ACTION: TF

CYP Plan Priorities – PS advised that a meeting will be taking place this month to look at developing resources.

Ofsted Inspection: Safeguarding & LAC Services – MR met with senior managers from Social Care and an action plan was developed. They are viewing cases and drafting a new way of collaborating, primarily with YOS and Social Care, but will look at Police and Health services also.

All other actions completed.

3. Intensive Supervision & Surveillance Programme

MR provided the Board with a copy of a letter and report from Gill Rollings, Executive Director of Children, Families and Learning. The report highlights issues with regards to the disaggregation, around staffing and timescales for disaggregation. MB is drafting a letter in response to Gill's comments on timescales required for TUPE/redundancy processes, expressing the view that TUPE can be achieved within this financial year and that funding re Stockton will cease from 31st March 2011. The Board reaffirmed the earlier commitment to disaggregate (originally agreed July 2010) and endorsed that disaggregation should be achieved prior to 1st April 2011 as this will save money and delivery will not be affected. TUPE negotiations to be commenced, which MR will lead on.

Action: MB/MR

4. YOS Developments and Budget 11/12

MR produced a report to assist the Board in determining the way forward in respect of service and budget planning for 11/12. No major changes to YOS structures and remit is being proposed nationally but the level of funding from YJB and local partners is still unclear at the moment which is hindering the service's ability to plan 11/12 activities.

Discussion focused upon the contributions from local partners. Partners agreed to consider their own level of funding and advise the YOS accordingly and MR can assist in providing information to support any local bidding processes within the respective organisations.

MR is undertaking a review of the YOS to inform the planning process, which will be presented to the next YOS Management Board meeting. Whilst contingency models are being considered, it was suggested that MR also include a model of 25% reductions in financial contributions from the statutory partners. MR to keep management board members updated with any key developments.

Action: MR and statutory partners

The following recommendations were agreed by the Board:

- Consider the financial projections for the service
- Receives a full YOS Service Review Report at the next meeting
- Endorses the commencement of TUPE negotiations in respect of ISS delivery arrangements

5. Youth Justice Reinvestment Pathfinder

MR provided the Board with information received from the Youth Justice Board and Ministry of Justice requesting expressions of interest from Local Authorities to become pathfinders to reduce the numbers of young people going into custody. Pros and cons discussed and meeting agreed that on this occasion, Stockton wouldn't be submitting an expression of interest.

6. YOS Performance

MR provided statistical information on the quarterly performance summary for 2010-11.

NI19 – Between April and June 2010 the rate of reoffending was 0.29%, the lowest it has been since YOS commenced (it was 0.52% this time last year). We have one young person who is being care taken by Peterborough, he is LAC and has committed 17 offences in the last couple of months. Updated figures will be available at the next meeting.

NI43 – 3.7% which is good.

NI45 – 88.3% so below the 90% target, but a strong area of performance. It was 82.1% last year so shows progress.

NI111 – 137 First Time Entrants in the first quarter, which is a 10% reduction from this time last year – good performance.

7. Preventions Update Report

Barbara Jordan, Youth Support Team Manager produced a report to update the Board on current developments.

8. Feedback from LSCB

PS advised that the meeting is taking place this week.

9. YP in Custody

MR provided information on Young People in Custody or on Licence, as of 11th January 2011. MB highlighted that there are no young people on remand at present.

10. AOB

MR advised that a consultation exercise launched yesterday with regards to reoffending changes to the Youth Justice System. MR will respond on behalf of the Board.

ACTION: MR

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