



CHILDREN, YOUNG PEOPLE AND EDUCATION SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

2.00 pm THURSDAY, 22 OCTOBER 2015

COMMITTEE ROOMS 1 AND 2, PORT TALBOT

PART 1

1. To receive any declarations of interest from Members
2. To receive the Minutes of the Children, Young People and Education Scrutiny Committee held on 24 September 2015 (*Pages 5 - 12*)
3. To receive the Scrutiny Forward Work Programme 2015/16 (*Pages 13 - 18*)

To scrutinise decisions, information and monitoring issues reported by:

Presentation and Report by Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services

4. Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services Briefing for Neath Port Talbot County Borough Council Scrutiny Committee (*Pages 19 - 26*)

Report of the Head of Business Strategy and Public Protection

5. Children and Young People Services - Key Priority Indicator Information (*Pages 27 - 34*)

Report of the Head of Participation

6. Review of Youth Club Provision (*Pages 35 - 74*)
7. Report Card - Youth Service (*Pages 75 - 84*)
8. To select appropriate items from the Cabinet Board Agenda for pre-scrutiny (Cabinet Board reports enclosed for Scrutiny Members)
9. Any urgent items (whether public or exempt) at the discretion of the Chairman pursuant to Section 100B (4) (b) of the Local Government Act 1972
10. Access to Meetings to resolve to exclude the public for the following item(s) pursuant to Section 100A(4) and (5) of the Local Government Act 1972 and the relevant exempt paragraphs of Part 4 of Schedule 12A to the above Act.

PART 2

11. To select appropriate private items from the Cabinet Board Agenda for pre-scrutiny (Cabinet Board Reports enclosed for Scrutiny Members)

S.Phillips
Chief Executive

Civic Centre
Port Talbot

Friday, 16 October 2015

Committee Membership:

Chairperson: Councillor A.R.Lockyer

Vice Chairperson: Councillor H.N.James

Councillors: A.Carter, Mrs.A.Chaves, Mrs.J.Dudley, M.Ellis, P.Greenaway, R.G.Jones, J.D.Morgan, Mrs.S.Paddison, Mrs.K.Pearson, M.Protheroe, A.L.Thomas, D.Whitelock and Mrs.L.G.Williams

***Co-opted Voting Members**

***Co-opted Non
Voting Members** R.De Benedictis, A.Hughes and Mrs.C.Wheldon

Notes:

- (1) *If Committee Members or non-Committee Members wish to have relevant items put on the agenda for future meetings, then please notify the Chief Executive/Chair eight days before the meeting.*
- (2) *If non-Committee Members wish to attend for an item of interest, then prior notification needs to be given (by 12.00 noon on the day before the meeting). Non-Committee Members may speak but not vote, or move or second any motion.*
- (3) *For pre scrutiny arrangements, the Chair will normally recommend forthcoming executive items for discussion/challenge. It is also open to Committee Members to request items to be raised - though Members are asked to be selective here in regard to important issues.*
- (4) *The relevant Cabinet Board Members will also be invited to be present at the meeting for Scrutiny/ Consultation purposes.*
- (5) *Would the Scrutiny Committee Members please bring the Cabinet Board papers with them to the meeting.*

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Members Present:

24 September 2015

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A.L.Thomas and D.Whitelock

**Co-opted Non Voting
Members:** A.Hughes

**Officers In
Attendance** N. Jarman, A.Jarrett, Mrs.A.Thomas, C.Millis,
J.Hodges, K.Mort and Ms.C.Gadd

Cabinet Invitees: Councillors P.A.Rees and P.D.Richards

1. **MINUTES OF THE CHILDREN, YOUNG PEOPLE AND
EDUCATION SCRUTINY COMMITTEE HELD ON 4 SEPTEMBER
2015**

Noted by the Committee.

It was noted that A.Hughes was in attendance at that meeting and the attendance would be amended accordingly.

Members highlighted that they had asked for graphs in reports to be amended to make them easier to read without colour and it was noted that there was still some work to do in this area.

2. **SCRUTINY FORWARD WORK PROGRAMME 2015/16**

Noted by the Committee.

Members queried when a report on behaviour in schools would be brought back to the Committee. It was highlighted that an Inclusion Consultation Report was included on the Cabinet Board work programme for the next meeting. Officers would check how much information in relation to behaviour in schools would be included in this report.

3. **REPORT CARDS FOR FLYING START PROGRAMME AND PLAY AND FAMILY PLAY**

The Committee received the report cards developed by the Flying Start Programme and Play Teams within the Think Families Partnership, as detailed within the circulated report.

Officers recognised that there was still some work to be undertaken on the presentation of data and further discussions would take place to clarify the best reporting format. Members highlighted that there was a lack of data in the report card and it was explained that the data for Flying Start was reported at the end of the financial year. Including last year's data would have meant the information would be out of date and the time of year the report card was presented would make a difference. Officers noted that comparison work needed to be developed and more information on the impact of performance included rather than the background.

Members noted that Neath Port Talbot had been performing above the Welsh average in regards to achieving key stage level 2, however, the results had now plateaued and the reasons why were queried. It was explained that Neath Port Talbot had been achieving above what would be expected for the deprivation levels in the area. There continued to be small improvements which were not reflected in the graph due to the small percentage increases.

Members enquired what a Lower Super Output Area was and officers informed them that it was a geographic area used in the Welsh Index of Multiple Deprivation. Members also queried if the Speech and Language Therapist post was permanent in the Flying Start team and it was confirmed that it was. It was noted that it was difficult to find qualified Speech and Language Therapists.

In relation to the Play and Family Play report card Members highlighted that the graph illustrating the percentage of adults who were overweight or obese was from 2011 and queried if there was a

more recent survey. Officers would check how often this survey was undertaken and inform Members.

Following scrutiny, it was agreed the report be noted.

4. **CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE SERVICES - KEY PRIORITY INDICATOR INFORMATION**

The Committee received the key priority indicator information within Children's Services, as detailed within the circulated report, for indicators:

- Priority Indicator 1 – Average number of cases held by qualified workers across the Service
- Priority Indicator 2 – Staff supervision rates
- Priority Indicator 3 – The number of social worker vacancies across the Service (including number of starters/leavers/agency/sickness)
- Priority Indicator 4 – Number of approved foster carers within Neath Port Talbot

Officers highlighted that it was the first report produced for the new priority indicators and comments from Members were welcome to further develop the reports.

In relation to Priority Indicator 1, Members highlighted that it would be useful to also have the data for unqualified workers. It was felt that this would provide a more balanced picture of the cases held by each team. It was recognised that it was important that the data was useful and relevant to Members and there would be further discussions on how to present it effectively. It was suggested that the next report included anonymised dashboard data that outlined the cases held per worker. Members noted that having the information over time would be useful to be able to measure and compare data. Members also queried if the overall figure for average caseload was correct and officers would check the figures behind it.

It was highlighted that the data was useful as it provides information on caseloads and this was an important factor in ensuring the Service remains stable and in attracting social workers to the area. Members noted that cases had different levels of complexity and officers agreed that it was an important distinction that was considered during supervision. It was explained that each case was an individual child not a family.

In relation to Priority Indicator 2, it was noted that 10% of supervisions were not meeting the 28 day target. Members highlighted that it would be useful to know how far out of timescale the supervisions took place. Officers agreed that this would be taken on board and gave assurance to the Committee that it continues to be a management instruction for supervisions to be completed on time and specific areas of concern were targeted.

Members highlighted that figures for Priority Indicator 3 did not reflect the achievements of the Service. It would be useful to include what vacancies agency staff were covering, for example, maternity leave, long term sickness or post vacancies. It was noted that there were only four agency staff being used by the Service and this was a good achievement and demonstrated the progress that had been made.

Members asked in relation Priority Indicator 4, if the nine foster carers undergoing assessment were the same nine from April to August and it was confirmed that they were. Members queried if there were enough potential foster carers going through assessment to meet demand and officers informed them that there were not. It was an area that needed to be targeted and a more detailed report was scheduled to be brought back to the Committee.

Members highlighted that the graphs for percentage of children placed with in house and independent foster carers by age group were difficult to read. Officers would look at a different way of formatting them and it was suggested that breaking the figures down further by age range would be helpful. It was also agreed that including the costs for the placements would add to the information considered by Members.

Following scrutiny, it was agreed that the report be noted.

5. **PRE-SCRUTINY**

The Committee scrutinised the following matters:

Cabinet Board Proposals

5.1 Serious Concerns Protocol Focused Review

The Committee received the report of the review of the journey and learning by Children and Young People Services during the Serious Concerns Protocol, as detailed within the circulated report.

Members were informed that the Care and Social Services Inspectorate Wales (CSSIW) had requested that the Council put together a report of the lessons learned whilst the Council was subject to the Serious Concerns Protocol. The review of the two year journey set out the main lessons learned, such as keeping the caseloads manageable. It was requested that testimonials from partners were included and partner organisations were happy to provide them. Views from stakeholders provided a different perspective on how the Service had progressed. It was highlighted that it was now important to maintain the improvements.

Members asked how the Scrutiny Committee and Elected Members had assisted the improvement journey. Officers informed them that Elected Members had played a key role and had made it the top priority for the Council. Good relationships were an important part of the process and political stability had made the journey easier. Members had vastly improved their knowledge of Children's Services and this had been evident to the Inspectors. The Committee were pleased that the report had been completed and that it highlighted the good work that had been undertaken.

Following scrutiny, it was agreed that the report be noted.

5.2 Supervision and Appraisal Processes

The Committee received an update report on the continued improvements for workforce support and development following actions identified in the addendum to the Children and Young

People Services Strategy for 2015-16, as detailed within the circulated report.

Members were informed that the Supervision Policy had been reviewed and aligned to quality standards within Children's Services. The Appraisal process had also been amended to be more user friendly within the Service. Consultation was undertaken with a range of groups and both processes were being rolled out to staff and managers. It was confirmed that the policies had been written in line with Investors in People standards.

It was noted that work to improve the Supervision Policy commenced two years ago with advice from the Independent Support Team, internal officers and comparable Councils. Supervisions now included two elements; caseloads and personal concerns. It was explained that the notes regarding caseloads would be recorded on the system and the personal notes would be kept on the individual's file. Members were pleased that a person centred approach was in operation with additional opportunities for learning and development.

Members noted that the target for managers was to be trained to undertake supervisions within six months of being in post. It was asked if the intention was for them to be trained as soon as possible with six months being the worst case scenario. It was confirmed that this was the case and the target was in relation to the formal corporate training, in the interim Principal Officers would support team managers to undertake supervisions. Members asked if a sample of supervisions would be considered to ensure there was consistency in the way they were carried out. Officers confirmed that this would be part of the audit process and there were now good standards to be measured against. Members noted that one of the standards was for supervisions only to be cancelled in exceptional circumstances. It was queried if supervisions were generally cancelled by the manager or social workers. It was clarified that it was a mix of the two, however, the importance of them continued to be emphasised.

Members asked if it had to be team managers who undertook supervisions and whether some of them could be completed by deputy team managers. Officers informed them that previously it had only been team managers, however, the Service had

progressed to where there was scope for deputies to undertake some supervisions depending on their experience.

Members highlighted that the development of these policies was a reflection of how the Service had evolved and was now in a position to take such work forward.

Following scrutiny, it was agreed that the report be noted.

5.3 The Social Services and Wellbeing (Wales) Act 2014

The Committee received the report on the Social Services and Wellbeing (Wales) Act 2014, as detailed within the circulated report.

Members were informed that the Act provides the statutory framework to deliver Welsh Government's commitment to integrate social services to support people of all ages as part of families and communities. The new duties were outlined to the Committee. It was highlighted that the intention was to transform the way social services were delivered by promoting people's independence and giving them a stronger voice and control. Early intervention and prevention was an important aspect of the Act and to identify the best way of meeting needs rather than generating dependency.

Members felt that it was important to improve choice and were in favour of services becoming more person centred. It was noted that there would be more emphasis on direct payments and service users would be able to purchase services from the Council, which meant the in house workforce would not be excluded.

The Act would also encourage social enterprises and if organisations were delivering services on the Council's behalf then it would need to be ensured that standards were in place and being met. It was noted that the Common Commissioning Unit that had been established in Social Services would be instrumental in monitoring such contracts. Members noted that some third sector organisations had found the commissioning process difficult in enabling groups to come together to bid for contracts. It was highlighted that there was nothing preventing third sector groups from bidding for contracts. However, it was

noted that there was not always the capacity in the sector to meet the demands of a contract.

Members highlighted that the extra duties had financial implications and there was not much support from Welsh Government in this respect. More consideration should have been given to resources.

Following scrutiny, it was agreed that the report be noted.

CHAIRPERSON

**Children, Young People and Education Scrutiny Committee
Forward Work Programme 2015/16**

Date of Meeting	Agenda Item
28 th May 2015	Presentation from CSSIW on Children's Services Inspection Report
	Pre-Scrutiny – Cabinet Board Items
18 th June 2015	Safeguarding Self-Assessment Toolkit
	Pre-Scrutiny – Cabinet Board Items
16th July 2015	Quarterly Performance Reporting
	Pre-Scrutiny – Cabinet Board Items
30 th July 2015	Youth Service Report
	Pre-Scrutiny – Cabinet Board Items

4th September 2015	CSE Inquiry Report
	Report Cards – Education Data Unit
	Quarterly Performance Reporting Including Complaints Data
	Pre-Scrutiny – Cabinet Board Items
24 th September 2015	Report Cards – Flying Start, Play Development Team
	CYPS Monthly Key Priority Performance Indicators – 1, 2, 3, 4
	Pre-Scrutiny – Cabinet Board Items
22nd October 2015	CAMHS Progress
	Youth Service Provision Report
	Report Card – Youth Service
	CYPS Monthly Key Priority Performance Indicators – 5, 6, 7, 8, 9

	Behaviour in Schools as part of Inclusion Consultation Report
	Pre-scrutiny - Cabinet Board Items
12 th November 2015	STAND ALONE BUDGET SCRUTINY
3rd December 2015	Quarterly Performance Monitoring including all 8 Monthly Key Priority Indicators and Complaints Data
	Pre-scrutiny - Cabinet Board Items
14th January 2016	Report Cards – Education Development (ERW – data coming to this meeting)
	School Standards Monitoring Group Thematic Report
	CYPS Monthly Key Priority Performance Indicators – 1, 2, 3, 4
	Pre-scrutiny - Cabinet Board Items

11th February 2016	Report Cards – ACL, Work Based Learning, MEAS & Music Service
	CYPS Monthly Key Priority Performance Indicators – 5, 6, 7, 8, 9
	Pre-scrutiny - Cabinet Board Items
10th March 2016	Quarterly Performance Monitoring including all 8 Monthly Key Priority Indicators and Complaints Data
	Pre-scrutiny - Cabinet Board Items
7th April 2016	Report Cards - Childcare Settings,
	CYPS Monthly Key Priority Performance Indicators – 1, 2, 3, 4
	Review of CYPS Monthly Key Priority Performance Indicators
	Pre-scrutiny - Cabinet Board Items
28th May 2016	School Standards Monitoring Group Thematic Report

	CYPS Monthly Key Priority Performance Indicators – 5, 6, 7, 8, 9
	Pre-scrutiny - Cabinet Board Items

Note: Reports requested include:

- Schools Sickness (through report cards)

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**NEATH PORT TALBOT COUNTY BOROUGH
COUNCIL**

**Children, Young People and Education Scrutiny
Committee**

22 October 2015

**Report of the Child and Adolescent Mental Health
Services - C.Ball and S.Harrop-Griffiths**

Matter for Information

Wards Affected:

All wards

**Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services Briefing
for Neath Port Talbot County Borough Council
Scrutiny Committee**

1. Purpose of the Report

To provide an update on the arrangements for the planning and provision of services for Children and Young People with Emotional and Mental Health needs in the ABMU Health Board area.

2. Background

At any one time in the UK, 1 in 10 children and young people to age 18 has a mental health need. Many of these individuals will benefit from early help and support with some requiring help from specialist mental health services. In order to ensure good mental health and emotional well being in children and young people, a multi-agency and multi-disciplinary approach is required involving a wide range of partners across the statutory and non statutory sector.

Services for children and young people with emotional and mental health needs are generally commissioned and provided across 4 levels of care:

- Universal services such as early years services and primary care
- Targeted services such as youth offending teams, primary mental health workers, and school and youth counselling (including social care and education)
- Specialist community Child and Adolescent Mental Health Service
- Highly specialist services such as inpatient services and very specialised outpatient services.

It must be remembered that Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services (CAMHS) need to be commissioned and provided across a tiered continuum including the third sector, education, justice, social services and primary care. Specialist CAMHS are part of the continuum of services, being commissioned from Cwm Taf by Abertawe Bro Morgannwg University (ABMU) Health Board and the Welsh Health Specialised Services Committee (WHSSC). Services are also commissioned independently by Swansea, Neath Port Talbot and Bridgend County Borough Councils. The annual funding to Cwm Taf Health Board for the provision of these services across the NHS and local authority is currently £3.236m as set out in the table below:

Details	£m
Paid via the Long Term Agreement (LTA) as a block arrangement for CAMHS services. Commissioned corporately by ABMU.	2.386
Paid via invoices by Cwm Taf relating to specific historic posts/services. Commissioned by ABMU localities.	0.626
Funding provided to Cwm Taf by Bridgend, NPT and Swansea CBCs and the South East Wales Network.	0.224
Total	3.236

3. Current Service Provision

The current service model across the ABMU Health Board area has evolved based on historical activity and provision is

therefore not always necessarily reflective of the current needs of the resident population. Furthermore, the specialist CAMHS service is experiencing significant demands on its services with waiting times for care having increased and gaps in service provision across the Health Board area having been identified.

It has been identified that the current model of service provision needs to be reviewed. The aim will be to ensure that children and young people receive the best possible care that will meet their needs from the right professional, in the right place, at the right time, and in environments which are appropriate, modern and fit for purpose.

4. Multi-agency Planning Arrangements

The ABMU Health Board, with partners from the Western Bay, has established a Children and Young People's Emotional and Mental Health Planning Group to develop and agree a service model for mental health and emotional well being for children and young people resident within the Health Board area. The objective of this group is to jointly develop, agree and commission a service specification that provides seamless care from primary or direct contact services, through to the most specialist interventions in inpatient units, residential schools and specialist social care services.

The established group is multi agency and recognises the complexity of the interrelated services that will need to be coordinated to provide seamless care. A number of workstreams have commenced with senior leadership which will enable the service model and service specification to be as robust as possible. These workstreams are set out below:

- Crisis admission pathway.
- Learning Disability / Neuro developmental disorder.
- CAMHS core business.
- Transition.
- Mapping of existing services.
- Looked after children and special education needs.
- Addressing mental health problems in children and young people in the Youth Justice System.
- Emotional / Mental Health needs and Substance Misuse

The workstreams are taking forward the development of a service model and associated service specifications which will set out the levels, standards of care and outcomes from that care that will be expected for all users of mental health and emotional well being services, wherever they enter the care pathway. The service models and service specifications will consider and where appropriate reflect the guidance produced in England by the Joint Commissioning Panel for Mental Health for the commissioners of CAMHS services; and be developed within the context of the Welsh Government 'Together for Mental Health' strategy for mental health and wellbeing in Wales and the 'Together for Children and Young People' Service Improvement Programme launched by the Minister for Health and Social Services on the 26th February 2015.

5. Welsh Government Funding

The Welsh Government has recently announced it will invest an extra £7.6m annually in mental health services for children and young people. The additional funding will help improve specialist CAMHS ability to respond out of hours and at times of crisis; expand access to psychological therapies for young people; improve provision for children and young people in local primary mental health support services and ensure services intervene early to meet the needs of children and young people who develop psychosis.

Funding will also be available to develop services for the most vulnerable young people who are already in, or are at danger of entering, the youth justice system.

The Minister for Health and Social Services has agreed the following split of the £7.6m:

- £2m ASD/ADHD as announced earlier this week.
- £800,000 to improve children and young people provision in Mental Health Measure Local Primary Mental Health Support Services.
- £1.1m to further develop psychological therapy provision for children and young people.
- £800,000 provide early intervention in psychosis.
- £2.7m additional investment in sCAMHS, supporting Together for Children and Young People, enabling assessments to be made when a young person presents in crisis to A&E or arrested under s136.

- £250,000 improving CAMHS access for Youth Offending Teams and those in the secure estate.

The Planning Group has developed proposals in relation to these funding streams that have been submitted to Welsh Government for consideration, all being approved with some conditions with exception of proposal to address needs of children and young people presenting in crisis, agreement having been deferred on all health board proposals until further meeting held on all Wales basis to discuss the different models presented. The Welsh Government has agreed a total of £754,022 recurrent annual funding, implementation to be coordinated via the Planning Group.

6. Together for Children and Young People

The Minister for Health and Social Services launched Together for Children and Young People, a service improvement programme to improve the emotional and mental health of children and young people in Wales at a national conference on the 26th February 2015. Led by the NHS in Wales, this multi agency programme will receive expert advice and scrutiny from Professor Dame Sue Bailey to deliver change at a pace building on best practice from within Wales, across the UK and beyond.

Specific areas of work have been identified including:

- The provision of an evidence based needs assessment and review. The review of national policy and other guidance and recommendations. Equity of access to Wales to CAMHS.
- A clarity in planning processes and more mature commissioning.
- The resilience building of all children and young people (CYP).
- Support to CYP with Neurodevelopmental issues and a Learning Disability (LD).
- The provision of lower level support and Early Intervention services.
- Increased access to psychological therapies.
- The future role and core business of specialist CAMHS.
- Well planned and managed transition to Adult MH Services.

This will be progressed through a number of theme based priority work streams:

- Early Years and Wellbeing.
- Enhanced Support and Early Intervention.
- Neuro Developmental and LD.
- Specialist CAHMS.

7. CAMHS Quality and Delivery Framework

As part of the Together for Children and Young People improvement programme, the CAMHS clinical leads have agreed with the Welsh Government to undertake a comprehensive baseline assessment of current CAMHS services across Wales which will support the production of a CAREMORE Quality and Delivery Framework. The baseline assessment has been undertaken against the seven domains of CAREMORE, namely:

- Care standards – the right expectations are defined for quality and safety.
- Activity – the right capacity is available to meet the right demand.
- Resource Envelope – the right ambition to make best use of all existing resources.
- Model of care – the right staff, at the right place, at the right time.
- Operations – the right interaction between patients, professionals and organisations.
- Review – the right measures, monitoring and management to ensure continuous improvement.
- Evaluate – the right patient outcomes from the right patient experience at the right cost.

The audit has been completed, a national report to be produced with recommendations for Wales as a whole and also to illustrate individual Health Board performance and levels of demand.

8. Current Progress

The Planning Group workstreams have taken forward a number of pieces of work including:

- Development of pathway for children and young people presenting to emergency department following incident of self harm or overdose.
- Draft service specification for specialist CAMHS.
- Mapping of existing services for emotional health and well-being for children and young people resident in ABMU area.
- Draft protocol regarding transition from CAMHS to Adult Mental Health services.

Additional work is continuing to be undertaken in a number of areas:

- Development of service model for universal services focusing on positive early year's experiences and early intervention approach.
- Development of service model and associated specification to deliver local primary mental health support services for children and young people.
- Training to equip education and health facilitators with tools they need to engage young people around issues of mental health and well-being.
- Development of service model and associated specification for Neuro Developmental Disorder.
- Development of service model and associated specification for children and young people with emotional/mental health needs and Learning Disability.
- Development of service model and associated specification for children and young people with emotional/mental health needs and substance misuse needs (through Area Planning Board).
- Development of service model and specification for first episode psychosis.
- Development of service specification to address differential geographic provision of CAMHS in Youth Offending Service that serves residents of ABMU.

9. Next Steps

Discussion will be required as to the financial mechanism for the commissioning of CAMHS services, and it is anticipated that this can be handled by a single commissioning approach representing both the Health Board and the local authorities. It is envisaged that the Health Board Children and Young People

Commissioning Board will host the ongoing commissioning of CAMHS services.

A project plan has been developed with associated timescales and milestones for the implementation phase of the specialist CAMHS specification and for the development and implementation phases of the specification for services to be delivered at tiers 1 and 2.

CHILDREN, YOUNG PEOPLE AND EDUCATION SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

REPORT OF THE HEAD OF BUSINESS STRATEGY AND PUBLIC PROTECTION – A. THOMAS

22 October 2015

SECTION C – MATTER FOR MONITORING

WARD(S) AFFECTED: ALL

CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE SERVICES – KEY PRIORITY INDICATOR INFORMATION

Purpose of Report

The purpose of the attached documentation is to advise Members of the Key Priority Indicator Information within Children's Services for the following selected monthly Key Priority Indicators for September 2015: -

- **Priority Indicator 5** – Number of Looked After Children by placement type
- **Priority Indicator 6** – The number of Children who have been discharged from care and then subsequently re-admitted
- **Priority Indicator 7** – The number of cases held within the service categorised by status – child protection, looked after or child in need
- **Priority Indicator 8** – The number of cases “stepped down” from CYPS to Team Around the Family (TAF) & “stepped up” from CYPS to TAF
- **Priority Indicator 9** – The percentage of children looked after during the year with a Personal Education Plan within 20 school days of entering care or joining a new school

Please note; there are 9 Key Priority Indicators in total. The full suite of Key Priority Indicators will be reported to the CYPE Meeting in December 2015.

Feedback is welcomed with regards to the content of these reports.

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Appendix 1 - Key Priority Indicator Information for the month of September 2015.

List of Background Papers

None

Officer Contact

David Harding - Performance Management Team

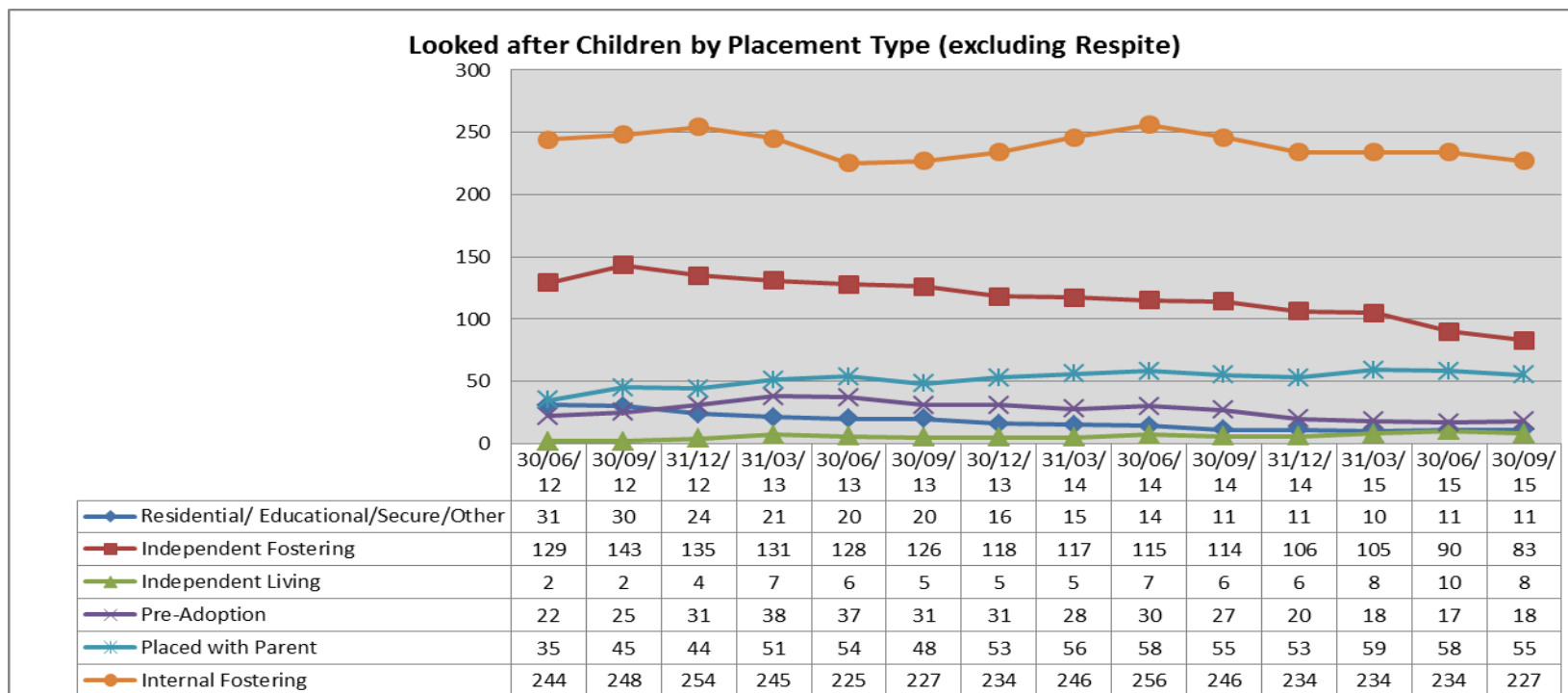
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Key Priority Performance Indicators – September 2015

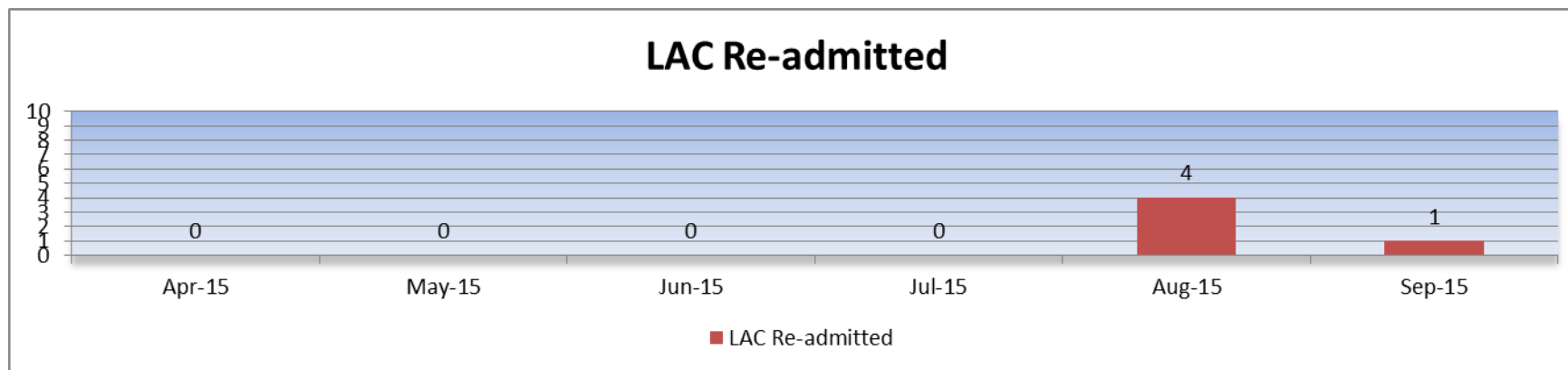
- **Priority Indicator 5 – The Number of Looked After Children (LAC) by Placement Type**

Number of LAC – as at 30th September = 402



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- **Priority Indicator 6 – The Number of Children who have been Discharged from Care and Subsequently Re-admitted within a 12 month period**

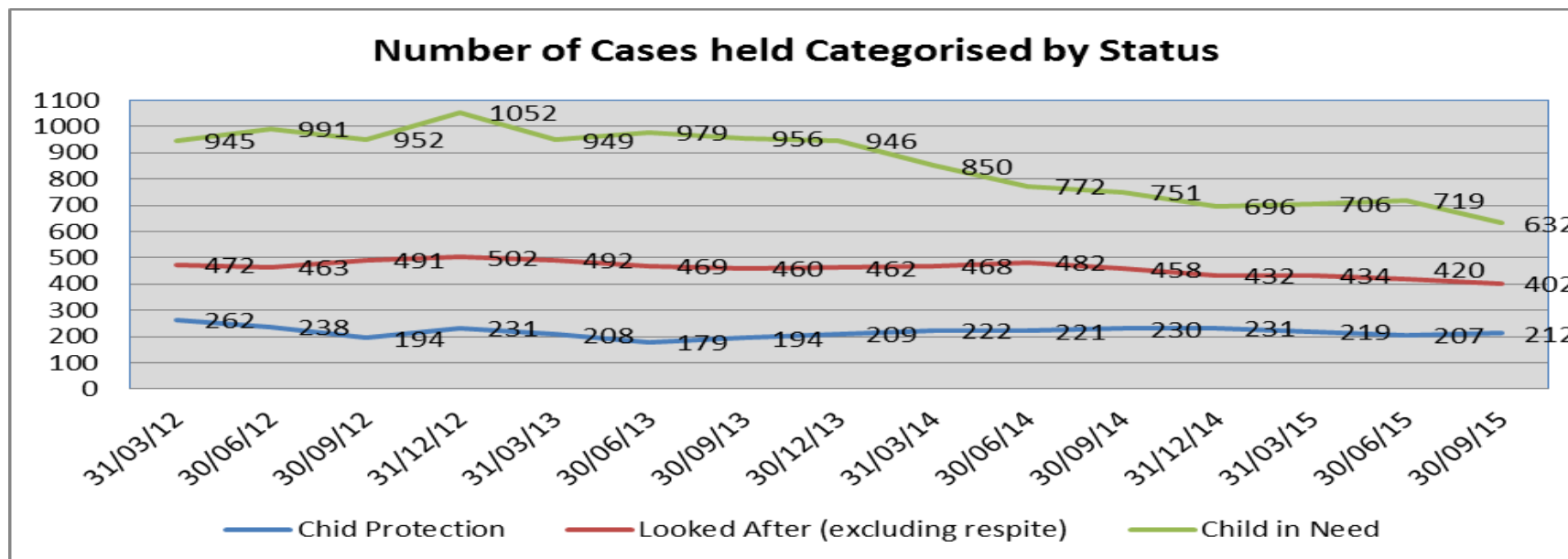


Date	Number Re-admitted
April 2015	0
May 2015	0
June 2015	0
July 2015	0
August 2015	4
September 2015	1

Team Manager's Comment re: Child re-admitted into care within 12 months: -

The young person came back into care (at the age of 16) because the placement with their mother had broken down. The young person was subsequently accommodated in a Dewis emergency placement for two weeks. It was decided that the young person needed stability in their life to be able to work towards a plan of developing independent living skills and to be able to encourage the positive aspects in their life. The young person was involved in risk taking behaviours and misusing substances that resulted in a referral to the Youth Offending Team; we felt that by being in a stable placement it would help focus on training, work placement and building positive social relationship

- **Priority Indicator 7 – The Number of cases held within the service categorised by status: –
Child Protection, Looked After or Child in Need**

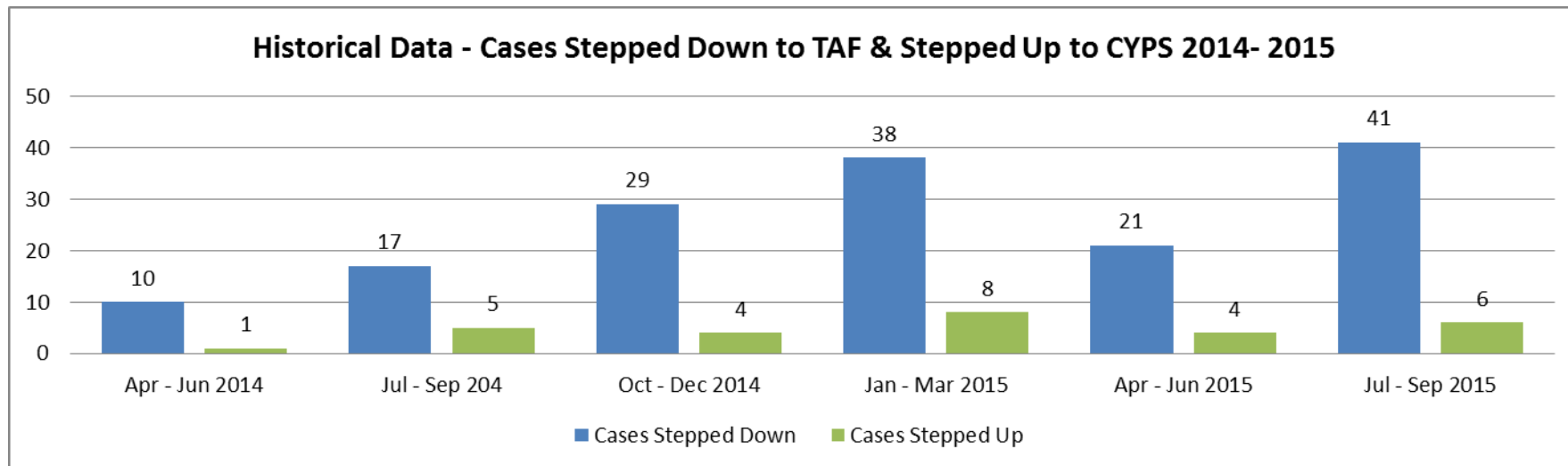
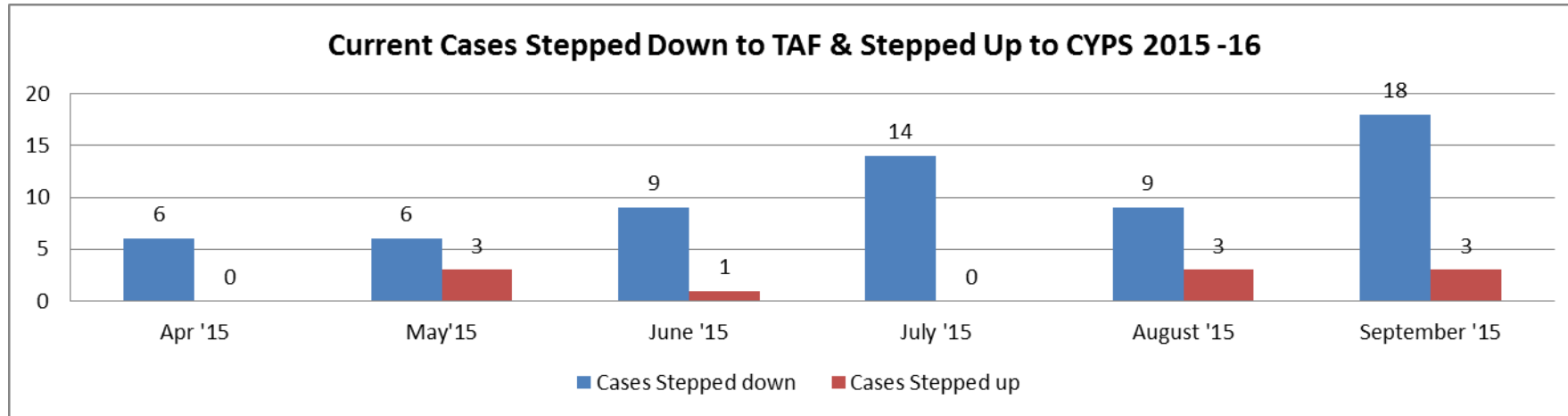


Position as at 30th September 2015:

- Child in Need – 632
- Looked After – 402
- Child Protection - 212

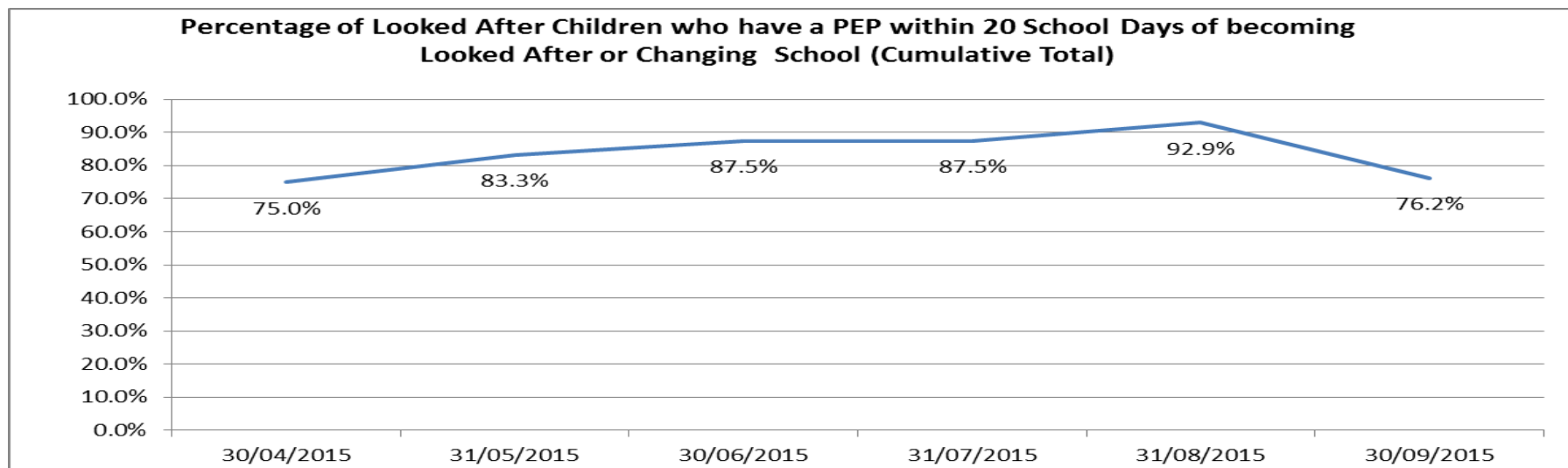
Appendix 1

- **Priority Indicator 8 – The Number of Cases ‘Stepped Up / Stepped Down’ between CYPS and Team around the Family (TAF)**



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- **Priority Indicator 9 - The Percentage of Children Looked After during the year with a Personal Education Plan within 20 School Days of Entering Care or Joining a New School.**



Date	Number of Children Admitted into Care	Of those Children Admitted into Care, the number with a PEP within 20 School Days		Number of Children with a Change of School	Of those Children with a Change of School, the number with a PEP within 20 School Days	Total Number of Children with a PEP within 20 School Days
30/04/15	2	2		2	1	3 out of 4
31/05/15	1	1		1	1	2 out of 2
30/06/15	2	2		0	0	2 out of 2
31/07/15	0	0		0	0	n/a
31/08/15	6	6		0	0	6 out of 6
30/09/15	0	0		28	19	19 out of 28
Totals	11	11		31	21	32 out of 42

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NEATH PORT TALBOT COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

CHILDREN, YOUNG PEOPLE AND EDUCATION CABINET BOARD

22 OCTOBER 2015

REPORT OF HEAD OF PARTICIPATION CHRIS MILLIS

Matter for Information

Wards Affected: All

Review of Youth Club Provision

Purpose of the Report

To update Members on the current youth club provision and mapping exercise.

Executive Summary

To update on progress implementing the approved changes to the current allocation of youth clubs to enable continuity of the service within the context of current budget limitations.

Background

The Council required the Youth Service to make savings of £100k to its core budget during 2015/16. This is in addition to £42k already identified as part of the Forward Financial Plan. As part of the measures to enable the Youth Service to meet this requirement it was necessary to change the way it provided community based youth clubs. During the month of November 2014 the service undertook a consultation exercise on the future of youth club provision and has recently carried out further consultation with young people from 28 of the 42 wards.

Consultation and progress

The purpose of the consultation in November was to enable the Council to assess the potential future operation of all youth club provision. The consultation was designed to collect information and opinion on how best to maintain or improve provision for young people whilst also

realising the increased efficiency and cost savings needed. Proposals to secure cost savings included:

- Reducing the annual number of weeks open from 30 to 28 weeks;
- Reducing staffing levels where clubs that are carrying vacancies but are able to adequately maintain provision with a smaller team;
- Reducing the number of nights open in clubs that open more than one night per week;
- Identifying alternative models of delivery including other sources of funding. The option of closure was also a consideration.

The Children, Young People and Education Cabinet Board also requested that the Youth Service carry out a mapping exercise to identify where current youth club provisions are across the authority.

Progress on implementing the agreed proposals

A summary of how the changes agreed have progressed within the current youth club provisions can be found in Appendix A.

Further Consultation

The purpose of the further consultation was to gain the views of young people on youth provision in their communities.

Methodology

Questionnaires were prepared for young people which were completed by the young people in their communities. Young people were also able to access the questionnaire using Survey Monkey. The questionnaires were placed on a variety of internet and social media sites including Neath Port Talbot Youth Service, Neath Port Talbot Youth Service Facebook and Twitter.

Youth Workers consulted with young people in their communities using paper based questionnaires. Young people accessing the current youth clubs and youth council were also asked to complete the questionnaire.

Consultation Responses

274 young people responded to questionnaire. A summary of responses to the questionnaire can be found below. Please see Appendix B for a full breakdown of responses to all questions.

1. Feeling safe in your area.

Young people were asked to give their views on how safe they felt the areas they live in are with 26.3% stating very safe, 64.9% quite safe, 7.3% fairly safe and 1.4% stating their area felt very unsafe. Although the number of young people who stated that they felt their areas were very unsafe was very low, they will be contacted to discuss their issues further.

2. Public transport.

Young people were asked to give their views on public transport in the areas they live. The results showed that 33.9% felt public transport was very good, 53.2% felt it was adequate, 10.2% felt it was poor and 2.5% felt that it was very poor. This data will be interrogated further to find out if there are any specific geographical issues.

3. Concerns about crime.

Young people were asked what crimes and issues concern them the most in their areas with the top 3 responses being, illegal drug use 51%, bullying 49.6% and vandalism 45.2%.

4. Help & support

Young people were asked to let us know where they go for help and support with most young people stating parents. Other responses included family members, friends, teachers and youth workers. But the most worrying response here was that 40 young people stated that they keep things to themselves. This will need to be handled with sensitivity but where possible we will attempt to reach out to these individuals.

5. What would you like in your community?

We asked young people to select a maximum of 4 things that they would like in their communities from a set menu. The top 4 responses were a sheltered place outside for young people (118 responses), park or playing fields (113 responses) and Skate Park (112 responses) and more space for outdoor activities (101 responses).

6. Other activities.

Young people were asked if they take part in any other activities on a weekly basis with 67% stating that they did and 33% stating that they didn't take part in any other weekly activities. Examples of these activities include sports clubs, music, dance and swimming.

7. What else is in your area?

Young people were asked what else is available for young people in their area with the most popular responses being, nothing or unsure 114 responses, sports & social activities 78 responses, parks & playing fields 48 responses and youth clubs with 34 responses.

8. Have you been to a youth club?

We asked young people to tell us if they have been to a youth club and if so where and if they had not why not. 50.36% had been to a youth club with 49.64% stating they had not been to a youth club. The main reasons for not attending youth clubs were they were unsure or it didn't appeal to them with 56 responses, did not know if there is a club 29 responses, other commitments 26 responses and no youth club near me 25 responses.

9. Attending a youth club.

Young people were asked how many times a week they would attend a youth club or project with 68% stating that they would attend a club once a week or more and 32% stating either once every two weeks or less than once every two weeks. The most popular answer was less than once every two weeks with 28.47% of the votes.

10. What is important?

We asked young people their views on how important they felt about a range of topics ranging from 'a place to have fun' to 'being taken seriously'. The topics that scored highest in what young people thought was most important were a safe place to meet, being taken seriously and a place to have fun.

11. Information and advice

We asked young people if they had access to the information and advice that they needed with 72.6% of young people stating yes and 27.3% stating no. Similar to other finding throughout this consultation this will need further investigation.

12. Changes in their communities.

We asked young people to list the changes that they would like seen in their communities. The most popular answers were nothing 110 responses, place to go, and improvements to amenities 83 responses,

better transport, less crime, safer area 47 responses and more things to do 26 responses.

The consultation carried out with young people in their communities has been very time consuming for a reduced team but the youth workers have found it a very worthwhile experience and one that they hope to continue on a more regular basis. It has given the Youth Service the opportunity to go out to communities that we would not normally work in and talk to young people who we wouldn't normally come into contact with.

Current Mapping Exercise

Along with the Survey Monkey and consultation process and as mentioned above the Youth Service visited 28 of the 42 wards to engage with young people using detached youth work and to also look what was in the areas.

A summary of the findings can be found in Appendix C

Ongoing Changes

In order to minimise the reduction in provision to young people, savings have been realised by reducing the cost of staff meetings. The Youth Clubs Pre-term Meetings have been reduced from 3 hours to 2 hours. They continue to be held 3 times per year. The Worker in Charge Meetings have been reduced from 6 hours to 3 hours. They continue to be held 3 times per year. Further developments to this include a reduced training budget for 2016/17.

Mapping of Vulnerable Young People

The Youth Service has looked at the Vulnerable Assessment Profile system used by the schools and the Team Around the Family to give a score to young people on how vulnerable they may be.

The findings show that the youth clubs work with young people scored most at risk and given a red status in all areas. Please see Appendix D for the full table.

Current Youth Club Provision Attendance Data

Appendix E shows that some clubs are struggling to attract young people to their provision with Bryn and Glyncorwg having an average attendance of 10 or less. Other clubs are attracting large numbers such as Taibach and Sandfields with an average of 53 young people attending Taibach every night and 38 Sandfields. At the start of this term on the first night open Taibach had approximately 60 young people attend.

Welsh Index of Multiple Deprivations

The Youth Service carried out a mapping exercise to find out if our clubs operate in some of the most deprived areas within Neath and Port Talbot. With our findings showing that Aberavon, Cymmer, Gwynfi, Neath East and Sandfields West having the highest proportion of deprived Lower Super Output Areas according to the Welsh Index Multiple Deprivations (WIMD). We currently run youth clubs in 3 of these areas namely Cymmer, Blaengwynfi and Sandfields. The other 2 wards are served by non-statutory youth provisions.

Population Data

We also wanted to find out if our youth clubs were operating out of the most densely populated areas for 10 – 24 year olds. The findings on this showed that the top 5 most heavily populated areas were, Sandfields West (1,342 young people aged 10-24), Sandfields East (1,228), Bryn & Cwmavon (1,155), Neath East (1,136) and Baglan (1,038). We currently provide youth club provision in 2 of these wards namely Sandfields and Bryn Youth Clubs. All the other wards have alternative youth provision. Our findings would suggest that the provision in Bryn may be in the wrong location.

Financial Impact

There are no financial impacts in relation to this report.

Equality Impact Assessment

Equality Impact Assessments have not been carried out for the purpose of this report.

Workforce Impacts

There are no workforce implications.

Legal Impacts

There are no legal implications.

Risk Management

No requirement for risk assessment.

Consultation

Please see Appendix B.

Recommendations

Item for information only.

Appendices

Appendix A - Changes to current youth club provision

Appendix B - Community Profile Questionnaire

Appendix C - Community Profile Reports

Appendix D - Vulnerable Assessment Profile Mapping

Appendix E - WIMD & Population Data

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Changes to Current Youth Clubs:

There has been no change to the number of weeks Youth Clubs operate during the year. They will continue to be provided 30 weeks annually.

Any reduction in the contracted hours of staff was managed within the management of change processes and opportunities for redeployment were offered and processed to make up any losses to staff terms and conditions.

How the proposals affected individual youth clubs:

Blaengwynfi:

Reduced from 2 nights per week to 1 night per week i.e. Blaengwynfi is now open on a Wednesday in line with the preferred night identified as part of the consultation process. Current staffing levels were retained with 1 vacancy that has arisen due to a resignation due to voluntary redundancy being declined. This vacancy still exists due to a freeze on recruitment.

Bryn:

The youth club is currently closed due to staff shortages as the worker in charge has recently resigned. We are currently looking to fill the 3 vacancies that exist within the club.

Bryncoch:

No change to Bryncoch. The club operates 1 evening per week, has minimum staffing levels and is open on the preferred evening i.e. Thursday. There is currently a vacancy for a Worker in Charge which was not taken up as a redeployment opportunity for staff in other clubs that were subject to reduced hours or redundancy. This post had been advertised via Prior Consideration, advertised internally and externally. We are currently waiting to interview applicants for this post.

Cimla:

The clubs allocation was reduced from 5 to 4 with the vacancy for a Deputy Worker in Charge being removed from the structure. Cimla remains open 1 night a week on a Monday night which was the preferred option for this club.

Croeserw:

The clubs allocation was reduced from 5 staff to 4 with the vacancy for a Deputy Worker in Charge being removed from the structure. Two applications for voluntary redundancy were declined as both posts were offered as bumped redundancies and offered as redeployment opportunities for staff in other clubs that were subject to reduced hours or redundancy. There is currently 1 Activity Worker vacancy in Croeserw that has been advertised via Prior Consideration and is currently advertised internally. The club continues to open on a Monday night and 1 night per week. The option of Thursday was explored as this was the preferred night instead of Monday but clashed with other centre users.

Crynant:

The clubs allocation was reduced from 8 to 6 staff this included the removal of a Deputy Worker in Charge post and an Activity Worker role. The Worker in Charge vacancy for Crynant was taken up as a redeployment opportunity. The club will remain open 2 nights per week on a Tuesday and Friday.

Cwmlllynfell:

The clubs allocation was reduced from 6 staff to 5 with the Deputy Worker in Charge post being removed from a Wednesday night and an Activity Worker role removed from the Tuesday night. The club remains open 2 nights per week on a Tuesday and Wednesday.

Cymmer:

Cymmer Youth Club has been reduced from 4 nights to 2 nights per week. One of the nights is the preferred night of Friday and the other night was decided in consultation with staff, young people and took into consideration when other provision is available in the Afan Valley. The clubs allocation was reduced from 7 staff to 5 with the Deputy Worker in Charge post being granted voluntary redundancy and removed from the structure and a vacant Activity Worker being removed.

Cymmer Comprehensive School is now charging rent to the Youth Service.

Glyncorrwg:

The youth club has now been relocated due to the closure of Glyncorrwg Community Centre. The club now operates in a privately run venue and the Youth & Community Worker has secured funding for one year's rent from the Fire Service. The number of nights per week the club is open has been reduced from two nights to one. The club is currently open on a Tuesday based on the availability of the venue. One staff was approved VR with the Deputy Leader role being removed from the restructure and another VR request was declined with redeployment opportunities being offered and accepted in most cases. The reduction in hours was subject to management of change processes and opportunities for redeployment were offered to staff to make up the loss.

Glynneath:

The club has reduced its staffing allocation from 7 to 5 with one application for VR being declined. There are currently 2 vacancies that have been advertised via Prior Consideration, internally and externally and we are awaiting interviews to fill these vacancies. No other changes have been made the club remains open 1 night per week on a Thursday.

Hengwrt:

Hengwrt Youth Club was closed to help realise the savings needed. The venue that the club operated in was subject to closure as part of the council's plans for leisure centres and all of the staff opted for and were granted voluntary redundancy. One casual member of staff was declined VR and was offered redeployment.

Sandfields:

Staffing levels have been reduced from 8 to 7 and nights from 4 to 3. There was minimum management of change, all of the staff affected opted for redeployment to another night in this youth club. There are currently 2 vacancies that have been advertised via Prior Consideration and are currently advertised internally. The Youth Club is due to be relocated to the New Aberavon Leisure and Fitness Centre in January 2016.

Seven Sisters:

Seven Sisters Youth Club reduced its provision from 2 nights per week to 1 night with the Thursday night remaining, which is the preferred night. Staffing levels were reduced from 6 to 5 by removing a vacant post from the structure. All the changes were subject to minimum management of change processes as club staff have already chosen to reduce the provision due to poor attendance by young people on a Tuesday night.

Taibach:

Taibach Youth Club reduced its provision from 3 nights to 2 nights per week. The post of Deputy Leader was removed from the structure and the post holder granted VR, the application for VR from the Worker in Charge was declined. No other changes were made and all vacancies were taking up as part of the redeployment process.

Ystalyfera:

This club has recently relocated to Ysgol Gyfun Ystalyfera. Staffing levels for the provision have been reduced from 6 staff to 4 and an allocation of rent has remained.

Community Profile Report 2015

Aberavon

No local authority youth clubs in the area. One non statutory run youth club based in St Marys church.

Anti-Social Behaviour Statistics

The statistical report does not give a break down regarding age but since April 2015 there have been 148 reports on anti-social behaviour in the Aberavon Ward. Included in this are 14 reports of youth annoyance in September 2015.

Unemployed 16 -18 year old Not in Education Employment or Training (NEET) Data. Tiers 2 & 3

In August 2015 there were 6 NEET young people identified by Careers Wales from the Aberavon Ward.

Aberdulais

No local authority youth clubs in the area and no known alternative youth provisions in the area. During the detached youth work session young people stated that they hang around the local shop in Cilfrew and use a local football pitch and small park. In Aberdulais the young people use an area known locally as “the bank”

Anti-Social Behaviour Statistics

The statistical report does not give a break down regarding age but since April 2015 there have been 20 reports on anti-social behaviour in this Ward. There were no reports of youth annoyance in September 2015.

Unemployed 16 -18 year old Not in Education Employment or Training (NEET) Data. Tiers 2 & 3

In August 2015 there were 7 NEET young people identified by Careers Wales from this Ward.

Alltwen

No local authority youth clubs in the area. Some young people stated that they often attend a voluntary sector run youth club in Pontardawe. Young people told youth workers that they don't use the local park due to "sewage" near the bench at the far end of the park.

Anti-Social Behaviour Statistics

The statistical report does not give a break down regarding age but since April 2015 there have been 11 reports on anti-social behaviour in this Ward. There were no reports of youth annoyance in September 2015.

Unemployed 16 -18 year old Not in Education Employment or Training (NEET) Data. Tiers 2 & 3

In August 2015 there were 3 NEET young people identified by Careers Wales from this Ward.

Baglan

No local authority youth clubs in the area. One non statutory run youth club based in Baglan Library. Other uniformed groups provide opportunities to young people in Baglan including Girl Guides & Scouts. Young people stated that they attend the youth club, hang around by the shops and also in the Park. The young people spoken to expressed that the park catered for younger groups but that they were often bored. They felt that a Skate Park would be a "brilliant asset to the area".

Anti-Social Behaviour Statistics

The statistical report does not give a break down regarding age but since April 2015 there have been 39 reports on anti-social behaviour in this Ward. Included in this are 2 reports of youth annoyance in September 2015.

Unemployed 16 -18 year old Not in Education Employment or Training (NEET) Data. Tiers 2 & 3

In August 2015 there were 6 NEET young people identified by Careers Wales from the Baglan Ward.

Blaengwrach

No local authority youth clubs in the area and no known alternative youth provision. A Scouts group is available in Cwmgwrach. Young people tend to congregate around the underpass and local shops and the local park and Skate Park are well used by young people. Young people often congregate in McDonalds. In Cwmgwrach the young people use the Multi Use Games Areas (MUGA) and the community hall is popular for local dance and sport groups.

Anti-Social Behaviour Statistics

The statistical report does not give a break down regarding age but since April 2015 there have been 7 reports on anti-social behaviour in this Ward. Included in this are 2 reports of youth annoyance in September 2015.

Unemployed 16 -18 year old Not in Education Employment or Training (NEET) Data. Tier 2 & 3

In August 2015 there were 5 NEET young people identified by Careers Wales from this Ward.

Briton Ferry East

No local authority youth clubs in the area and no known alternative youth provision. Scouts & Guides groups offer opportunities to young people locally. The detached work found only very small numbers of young people and the areas the young people were supposed to hang around in were empty on both detached visits. The young people suggested that they congregate around the local shops and the local park although they mentioned that the equipment in the park posed a risk to what they could do in the area.

Anti-Social Behaviour Statistics

The statistical report does not give a break down regarding age but since April 2015 there have been 20 reports on anti-social behaviour in this Ward. Included in this is 1 report of youth annoyance in September 2015.

Unemployed 16 -18 year old Not in Education Employment or Training (NEET) Data. Tier 2 & 3

In August 2015 there were 4 NEET young people identified by Careers Wales from this Ward.

Briton Ferry West

No local authority youth clubs in the area and no known alternative youth provision. The Boys & Girls Club was closed during the detached visits. Young people tend to congregate around Hengwrt Barn and also in a local field where there is a small skate park. Young people stated that they meet friends in local car parks as there is nothing for them to do in the area. They described the area that they live in as “boring & scruffy”.

Anti-Social Behaviour Statistics

The statistical report does not give a break down regarding age but since April 2015 there have been 25 reports on anti-social behaviour in this Ward. Included in this is 1 report of youth annoyance in September 2015.

Unemployed 16 -18 year old Not in Education Employment or Training (NEET) Data. Tier 2 & 3

In August 2015 there were 9 NEET young people identified by Careers Wales from this Ward.

Bryn & Cwmavon

There is a local authority run youth club in Bryn open on Fridays from 6pm – 8pm. A Girl Guides group is available in Cwmavon. Young people tend to congregate around the Local Park and MUGA. The Park area is very well equipped with skate ramps, tennis court and has a youth shelter with built in speakers. This area is well used by young people. The young people in Bryn told the youth workers that they often attend the local rugby club to play pool. Is well used by young people. Young people in Cwmavon stated that they hang around the park in Brynbryddan. The young people stated that the other young people in the area were probably in rugby or football sessions with the local clubs. The young people in Cwmavon also hang around the local shops.

Anti-Social Behaviour Statistics

The statistical report does not give a break down regarding age but since April 2015 there have been 49 reports on anti-social behaviour in this Ward. Included in this are 4 reports of youth annoyance in September 2015.

Unemployed 16 -18 year old Not in Education Employment or Training (NEET) Data. Tier 2 & 3

In August 2015 there were 12 NEET young people identified by Careers Wales from this Ward.

Bryncoch North

There is one local authority run youth club in the area which is open on a Thursday night 7pm – 9pm. Girl Guides and Scouts groups are available in Bryncoch. The young people we spoke to told us that they tend to congregate around the local field (Waunceirch) and would often travel to Skewen Skate Park, and Skewen Astro Turf. The young people spoken to also said they go to Skewen McDonalds and Neath Costa.

Anti-Social Behaviour Statistics

The statistical report does not give a break down regarding age but since April 2015 there have been 6 reports on anti-social behaviour in this Ward. There were no reports of youth annoyance in September 2015.

Unemployed 16 -18 year old Not in Education Employment or Training (NEET) Data. Tier 2 & 3

In August 2015 there were 2 NEET young people identified by Careers Wales from this Ward.

Bryncoch South

No local authority youth clubs in the area and no known alternative youth provision. The detached youth workers engaged with young people and parents who stated that there wasn't anything for the young people to do in the area and that the nearest park was too far for the young people to walk. In Waunceirch the young people tend to congregate around the

playing fields and gain access to them via a broken part of the fence. In Caewern a very small number of young people were contacted during the detached sessions. The young people tended to hang around the local shops and parks. The young people in this area commented that they would like to access the youth workers again and would attend the Rolling Zone if it were to go to their area.

Anti-Social Behaviour Statistics

The statistical report does not give a break down regarding age but since April 2015 there have been 38 reports on anti-social behaviour in this Ward. Included in this are 5 reports of youth annoyance in September 2015.

Unemployed 16 -18 year old Not in Education Employment or Training (NEET) Data. Tier 2 & 3

In August 2015 there were 2 NEET young people identified by Careers Wales from this Ward.

Cadoxton

No local authority youth clubs in the area and no known alternative youth provision. A Scouts group is available in Cadoxton. A very small number of young people were spoken to in Cadoxton and they stated that they tend to hang around the local park and wooded area where they use a rope swing. The young people told the workers that not many young people hang around the area.

Anti-Social Behaviour Statistics

The statistical report does not give a break down regarding age but since April 2015 there have been 5 reports on anti-social behaviour in this Ward. There were no reports of youth annoyance in September 2015.

Unemployed 16 -18 year old Not in Education Employment or Training (NEET) Data. Tier 2 & 3

In August 2015 there were 2 NEET young people identified by Careers Wales from this Ward.

Cimla

There is one local authority youth club in the area run out of Cimla Community Centre and is open Mondays 6pm – 8pm. Young people tend to congregate around the local shops and some stated that they just walk the streets. The majority of young people spoken to stated that their parents would not allow them out on the streets unless they attend an organised activity.

Anti-Social Behaviour Statistics

The statistical report does not give a break down regarding age but since April 2015 there have been 16 reports on anti-social behaviour in this Ward. Included in this are 2 reports of youth annoyance in September 2015.

Unemployed 16 -18 year old Not in Education Employment or Training (NEET) Data. Tier 2 & 3

In August 2015 there were 4 NEET young people identified by Careers Wales from this Ward.

Coedffranc Central

No local authority youth clubs in the area and no known alternative youth provision. A large number of young people were spoken to and they stated that they tend to congregate in Skewen Park and McDonalds. Other young people tended to hang around another local park (Park Wern). The young people stated that during the dark nights there is no lighting in the parks.

Anti-Social Behaviour Statistics

The statistical report doesn't give a break down regarding age but since April 2015 there have been 35 reports on anti-social behaviour in this Ward. Included in this are 2 reports of youth annoyance in September 2015.

Unemployed 16 -18 year old Not in Education Employment or Training (NEET) Data. Tier 2 & 3

In August 2015 there were 2 NEET young people identified by Careers Wales from this Ward.

Coedffranc North

No local authority youth clubs in the area and two known alternative youth provision run by Lonlas Mission Church and Skewen Community Church. A very small number of young people were spoken to during the detached youth work session and they stated that they go to Skewen Park to meet up with friends.

Anti-Social Behaviour Statistics

The statistical report does not give a break down regarding age but since April 2015 there have been 10 reports on anti-social behaviour in this Ward. Included in this is 1 report of youth annoyance in September 2015.

Unemployed 16 -18 year old Not in Education Employment or Training (NEET) Data. Tier 2 & 3

In August 2015 there were 3 NEET young people identified by Careers Wales from this Ward.

Coedffranc West

No local authority youth clubs in the area and no known alternative youth provision. Girl Guides and Scouts groups are available in the area. No young people were contacted during the detached work; some local parks were identified but generally used by younger children.

Anti-Social Behaviour Statistics

The statistical report does not give a break down regarding age but since April 2015 there have been 23 reports on anti-social behaviour in this Ward. No reports of youth annoyance in September 2015.

Unemployed 16 -18 year old Not in Education Employment or Training (NEET) Data. Tier 2 & 3

In August 2015 there was 1 NEET young person identified by Careers Wales from this Ward.

Crynant

One local authority run youth club in the area operating out of Crynant Community Centre, open Tuesdays & Fridays 6pm – 8pm. No known alternative youth provision in the area. A Scouts group is available in the area. Young people tend to congregate in an area close to the community centre making use of the football pitch, tennis court, skate park and rugby field. Some of the older young people stated that they do not go to the community centre anymore but go to the rugby club instead. The young people also hang around the industrial area and admitted that in the past they have caused trouble in the area.

Anti-Social Behaviour Statistics

The statistical report does not give a break down regarding age but since April 2015 there have been 3 reports on anti-social behaviour in this Ward. No reports of youth annoyance in September 2015.

Unemployed 16 -18 year old Not in Education Employment or Training (NEET) Data. Tier 2 & 3

In August 2015 there were 2 NEET young people identified by Careers Wales from this Ward.

Cwmlllynfell

One local authority run youth club in the area open Tuesday and Wednesday 6.30 – 8.30. No known alternative youth provision. Some young people attend local clubs such as Dance and Karate. Young people tend to congregate around the local shops and in poor weather they use the bus shelter. The young people also use the local park and skate park although some young people do not go there as other young people go there to drink and smoke. Some of the older young people use the rugby club. The young people stated that they generally just walk around the streets rather than just one area.

Anti-Social Behaviour Statistics

The statistical report does not give a break down regarding age but since April 2015 there have been 6 reports on anti-social behaviour in this Ward. No reports of youth annoyance in September 2015.

Unemployed 16 -18 year old Not in Education Employment or Training (NEET) Data. Tier 2 & 3

In August 2015 there were 2 NEET young people identified by Careers Wales from this Ward.

Cymmer

Two local authority youth clubs in the area running out of Croeserw Community Centre on a Monday 6pm – 8pm and Cymmer Afan Comprehensive School on Tuesday 5.30 – 7.30 and Friday 5.00 – 7.00. There are no known alternative youth provisions. Young people also attend the Young Fire Fighters. We were unable to carry out detached work in this area due to staff shortages and sickness.

Anti-Social Behaviour Statistics

The statistical report does not give a break down regarding age but since April 2015 there have been 19 reports on anti-social behaviour in this Ward. No reports of youth annoyance in September 2015.

Unemployed 16 -18 year old Not in Education Employment or Training (NEET) Data. Tier 2 & 3

In August 2015 there were 11 NEET young people identified by Careers Wales from this Ward.

Dyffryn Clydach

No local authority youth clubs in the area and no known alternative youth provision. No young people were found in Dyffryn and the detached workers noted a lack of facilities in the area. The detached youth workers contacted young people in Longford as they tend to congregate around the local park. The park was well used and had a good variety of equipment which catered for all ages, this included a MUGA.

Anti-Social Behaviour Statistics

The statistical report does not give a break down regarding age but since April 2015 there have been 23 reports on anti-social behaviour in this Ward. No reports of youth annoyance in September 2015.

Unemployed 16 -18 year old Not in Education Employment or Training (NEET) Data. Tier 2 & 3

In August 2015 there were 5 NEET young people identified by Careers Wales from this Ward.

Glyncorrwg

One local authority youth club in the area open on a Tuesday 6pm – 8pm. Detached Youth Work was unable to visit Glyncorrwg due to staff shortages and sickness.

Anti-Social Behaviour Statistics

The statistical report does not give a break down regarding age but since April 2015 there have been 2 reports on anti-social behaviour in this Ward. No reports of youth annoyance in September 2015.

Unemployed 16 -18 year old Not in Education Employment or Training (NEET) Data. Tier 2 & 3

In August 2015 there were 1 NEET young people identified by Careers Wales from this Ward.

Glynneath

One local authority youth club in the area running out of Glynneath Training Centre on a Thursday 6pm – 8.30pm. There are other known alternative youth provisions in the area running out of Peniel Church on a Friday and Pen Moriah Church on a Wednesday. Girl Guides run activities out of the town hall on Wednesday. The young people in the area use the local park to hang out and this area is also used by the local football and rugby teams. The young people also use the library where they get free internet access and they have been known to climb over the fence of the local primary school to play football. The majority

of young people we spoke to from the surrounding areas tend to go to Glynneath to hang out and meet their friends.

Anti-Social Behaviour Statistics

The statistical report does not give a break down regarding age but since April 2015 there have been 29 reports on anti-social behaviour in this Ward. Included in this is 1 report of youth annoyance in September 2015.

Unemployed 16 -18 year old Not in Education Employment or Training (NEET) Data. Tier 2 & 3

In August 2015 there were 5 NEET young people identified by Careers Wales from this Ward.

Godregraig

No local authority youth clubs in the area and no known alternative youth provision in the area. We were unable to carry out detached youth work in the area due to staff shortages and sickness.

Anti-Social Behaviour Statistics

The statistical report does not give a break down regarding age but since April 2015 there have been 15 reports on anti-social behaviour in this Ward. Included in this are 4 reports of youth annoyance in September 2015.

Unemployed 16 -18 year old Not in Education Employment or Training (NEET) Data. Tier 2 & 3

In August 2015 there were 2 NEET young people identified by Careers Wales from this Ward.

Gwaun Cae Gurwen

No local authority youth clubs in the area and one known alternative youth provision open in Tairgwaith. The young people spoken to tended to congregate around the local park and shops and stated that there is a skate park in Tairgwaith that is well used by young people. The young people also spoke about the park in Cwmgors that young people hang around in. No young people were found in Lower Brynamman.

Anti-Social Behaviour Statistics

The statistical report does not give a break down regarding age but since April 2015 there have been 16 reports on anti-social behaviour in this Ward. No reports of youth annoyance in September 2015.

Unemployed 16 -18 year old Not in Education Employment or Training (NEET) Data. Tier 2 & 3

In August 2015 there were 2 NEET young people identified by Careers Wales from this Ward.

Gwynfi

One local authority youth club in the area running out of The Public Hall on a Wednesday 5.45pm – 7.45pm. There are no known alternative youth provisions in the area. We were unable to carry out detached youth work in the area due to staff shortages and sickness.

Anti-Social Behaviour Statistics

The statistical report does not give a break down regarding age but since April 2015 there have been 5 reports on anti-social behaviour in this Ward. Included in this is 1 report of youth annoyance in September 2015.

Unemployed 16 -18 year old Not in Education Employment or Training (NEET) Data. Tier 2 & 3

In August 2015 there were 4 NEET young people identified by Careers Wales from this Ward.

Lower Brynamman

No local authority youth clubs in the area and no known alternative youth provisions. The young people spoken to stated that they hang around the skate park but during the detached session no young people were found in Lower Brynamman.

Anti-Social Behaviour Statistics

The statistical report does not give a break down regarding age but since April 2015 there have been 9 reports on anti-social behaviour in this Ward. No reports of youth annoyance in September 2015.

Unemployed 16 -18 year old Not in Education Employment or Training (NEET) Data. Tier 2 & 3

In August 2015 there were 2 NEET young people identified by Careers Wales from this Ward.

Margam

No local authority youth clubs in the area and no known alternative youth provision. The Girl Guides are based in St Davids Church on a Tuesday. The young people spoken to tended to congregate around the local park and shops, they felt that Tollgate park was more suited to younger children. The young people spoken to stated that they go to Taibach Youth Club to meet up with their friends and they also use the MUGA in Taibach. There were no young people contacted during the detached session in Margam Village although it was noted that there is a local park in the area which was kept in very good condition.

Anti-Social Behaviour Statistics

The statistical report does not give a break down regarding age but since April 2015 there have been 19 reports on anti-social behaviour in this Ward. Included in this are 4 reports of youth annoyance in September 2015.

Unemployed 16 -18 year old Not in Education Employment or Training (NEET) Data. Tier 2 & 3

In August 2015 there was 1 NEET young person identified by Careers Wales from this Ward.

Neath East

No local authority youth clubs in the area and one known alternative youth provision open in Bethel Elim Church which is open every Sunday. There is also Neath Boys & Girls Club which is open to young people

aged 7-13 on Wednesday 5.30-8.00 and Saturdays 12.00 – 4.00. They also run football activities on Thursday and Fit Kids sessions on Tuesday. The young people spoken to tended to congregate around the local park in Melincryddan and Melin Park. The young people also go to Jersey Park in Briton Ferry. Young People stated that they could not afford to pay for the leisure activities that they would like to go to such as swimming.

Anti-Social Behaviour Statistics

The statistical report does not give a break down regarding age but since April 2015 there have been 97 reports on anti-social behaviour in this Ward. Included in this are 2 reports of youth annoyance in September 2015.

Unemployed 16 -18 year old Not in Education Employment or Training (NEET) Data. Tier 2 & 3

In August 2015 there were 19 NEET young people identified by Careers Wales from this Ward.

Neath North

No local authority youth clubs in the area and one known alternative youth provision open in the Bridge Church. Girl Guides are available for young people in the area. The YMCA also provides a youth club for young people and various activities for the community. The young people spoken to in Fairyland stated that they felt unsafe on their area and that the play area was generally used by people in their early twenties who drink alcohol and take drugs. The young people also spoke to the staff about their fears of bullying.

In Neath town centre, young people tended to congregate around Victoria Gardens, the bus station and the shops. They also stated that there is a skate park in Skewen that is well used by young people. The young people also spoke about going to a local pool hall to hang out and they also use the library for free internet access. Detached work in Llantwit did not find any young people to consult with.

Anti-Social Behaviour Statistics

The statistical report does not give a break down regarding age but since April 2015 there have been 116 reports on anti-social behaviour in this Ward. Included in this are 4 reports of youth annoyance in September 2015.

Unemployed 16 -18 year old Not in Education Employment or Training (NEET) Data. Tier 2 & 3

In August 2015 there were 7 NEET young people identified by Careers Wales from this Ward.

Neath South

No local authority youth clubs in the area and no known alternative youth provision. The young people spoken to in the Mount Pleasant Park area were all under 9 and stated that other young people would walk up to Cimla and hang around Cimla Common. The park itself was well equipped with a MUGA, Youth Shelter, play equipment and a small grassed area.

Anti-Social Behaviour Statistics

The statistical report does not give a break down regarding age but since April 2015 there have been 24 reports on anti-social behaviour in this Ward. Included in this are 2 reports of youth annoyance in September 2015.

Unemployed 16 -18 year old Not in Education Employment or Training (NEET) Data. Tier 2 & 3

In August 2015 there were 16 NEET young people identified by Careers Wales from this Ward.

Onllwyn

No local authority youth clubs in the area and one known alternative youth provision run by the Dove Workshop Youth Worker. This is often run in partnership with the Youth Service. We are awaiting the community profile report to be submitted by the Dove Workshop Youth Worker for this area.

Anti-Social Behaviour Statistics

The statistical report does not give a break down regarding age but since April 2015 there have been 3 reports on anti-social behaviour in this Ward. No reports of youth annoyance in September 2015.

Unemployed 16 -18 year old Not in Education Employment or Training (NEET)Data. Tier 2 & 3

In August 2015 there were 3 NEET young people identified by Careers Wales from this Ward.

Pelenna

No local authority youth clubs in this area. A Scouts group is available in Pontrhydyfen. Staff undertook a detached visit but, possibly due to the poor weather conditions, no young people were found.

Anti-Social Behaviour Statistics

The statistical report does not give a break down regarding age but since April 2015 there have been 12 reports on anti-social behaviour in the Pelenna Ward. Included in this is 1 report of youth annoyance in September 2015.

Unemployed 16 -18 year old Not in Education, employment or training (NEET) Data. Tiers 2 &3

In August 2015 there were 3 NEET young people identified by Careers Wales from the Pelenna Ward.

Pontardawe

No local authority youth clubs in this area. One non statutory run youth club based in The Stables in Pontardawe. A Girl Guides group is available in Ynysmeudwy.

No young people were contacted during the detached work in Rhyd-Y-Fro, Gelligron or Llangiwg. No facilities for young people, eg playing fields or parks were seen in these areas.

In Pontardawe, young people were found outside food outlets, shops and at Park Ynysderw. Staff were told that young people hang around

near the Arts Centre at weekends and some evenings. Some young people said they felt scared walking through the tunnel between the canal and Farm Foods. In Ynysmeudwy, young people were playing football in the street opposite the Ynysmeudwy Arms public house. Ynysmeudwy has a MUGA (multi use games area) and a football pitch but no young people were found there. Very few young people were found in Cilmaengwyn who reported very facilities and a lack of transport to be able to get anywhere.

Anti-Social Behaviour Statistics

The statistical report does not give a break down regarding age but since April 2015 there have been 80 reports on anti-social behaviour in the Pontardawe Ward. Included in this were 6 reports of youth annoyance in September 2015.

Unemployed 16 -18 year old Not in Education, employment or training (NEET) Data. Tiers 2 &3

In August 2015 there were 8 NEET young people identified by Careers Wales from the Pontardawe Ward.

Port Talbot

No local authority youth clubs in this area and no known alternative youth provisions in the area. There are several Girl Guides, Rangers and Scouts groups, as well as an army cadets group.

No young people were contacted during the detached work in Port Talbot. No facilities for young people, eg playing fields or parks were seen in this area. One young person in Velindre reported that young people climb over the metal fencing to access the old skate park area in that area. Young people also hang out in Velindre Park.

Anti-Social Behaviour Statistics

The statistical report does not give a break down regarding age but since April 2015 there have been 73 reports on anti-social behaviour in the Pontardawe Ward. There were no reports of youth annoyance in September 2015.

Unemployed 16 -18 year old Not in Education, employment or training (NEET) Data. Tiers 2 &3

In August 2015 there were 13 NEET young people identified by Careers Wales from the Port Talbot Ward.

Resolven

No local authority youth clubs in this area. One non statutory run youth club based in Sardis Church. Detached Youth Work was unable to visit Resolven due to staff shortages and sickness.

Anti-Social Behaviour Statistics

The statistical report does not give a break down regarding age but since April 2015 there have been 14 reports on anti-social behaviour in the Resolven Ward. There were no reports of youth annoyance in September 2015.

Unemployed 16 -18 year old Not in Education, employment or training (NEET) Data. Tiers 2 &3

In August 2015 there was 1 NEET young person identified by Careers Wales from the Resolven Ward.

Rhos

No local authority youth clubs in this area and no known alternative youth provision in the area.

A large number of young people were found in Rhos Park but most of them were there as part of Rhos football club and came from different areas across Neath Port Talbot. They spoke about the need for more play equipment in the park suitable for older young people. They said the bike track is not fit for purpose.

Anti-Social Behaviour Statistics

The statistical report does not give a break down regarding age but since April 2015 there have been 8 reports on anti-social behaviour in the Rhos Ward. There were no reports of youth annoyance in September 2015.

Unemployed 16 -18 year old Not in Education, employment or training (NEET) Data. Tiers 2 &3

In August 2015 there were 2 NEET young person identified by Careers Wales from the Rhos Ward.

Sandfields East

No local authority youth clubs in the area and one known alternative youth provision open in Bevin Avenue. We were unable to carry out any detached work in this area due to staff shortages and sickness. The Relationship Advice Dropin Service (RADS) youth worker runs detached sessions in this area once a week but has been meeting very small numbers of young people.

Anti-Social Behaviour Statistics

The statistical report does not give a break down regarding age but since April 2015 there have been 76 reports on anti-social behaviour in this Ward. Included in this are 6 reports of youth annoyance in September 2015.

Unemployed 16 -18 year old Not in Education Employment or Training (NEET)Data. Tier 2 & 3

In August 2015 there were 11 NEET young people identified by Careers Wales from this Ward.

Sandfields West

One local authority youth club in the area open on Monday, Wednesday and Thursday 6.45 -8.45, this club is currently based in Seaway Parade and due to be rehoused in January 2016. One known alternative youth provision is open in the area running out of the local Methodist church every Friday. We were unable to carry out any detached work in this area due to staff shortages and sickness.

Anti-Social Behaviour Statistics

The statistical report does not give a break down regarding age but since April 2015 there have been 76 reports on anti-social behaviour in

this Ward. Included in this are 5 reports of youth annoyance in September 2015.

Unemployed 16 -18 year old Not in Education Employment or Training (NEET) Data. Tier 2 & 3

In August 2015 there were 16 NEET young people identified by Careers Wales from this Ward.

Seven Sisters

One local authority youth club in the area run out of the Community Hall and open Thursday 6.30 – 8.30. No known alternative youth provision known in the area. Girl Guides are available on Mondays. The young people spoken to tended to use the astro turf to play football and they also use the local bike track. The young people said that they attend youth club and hang around the recreation ground and the steps of the railway bridge on the weekends. Young people were worried about drug use in the area and also that other young people were causing anti-social behaviour in the area by lighting fires, drinking and smoking.

Anti-Social Behaviour Statistics

The statistical report does not give a break down regarding age but since April 2015 there have been 15 reports on anti-social behaviour in this Ward. No reports of youth annoyance in September 2015.

Unemployed 16 -18 year old Not in Education Employment or Training (NEET) Data. Tier 2 & 3

In August 2015 there were 4 NEET young people identified by Careers Wales from this Ward.

Taibach

One local authority youth club in the area running out of the Taibach Community Education Centre and open Tuesday & Thursday 7.00 – 9.00. No known alternative youth provision is known in the area. Young people tended to use the MUGA (multi use games area) by the youth club, basketball courts, Tollgate Park, the fields behind the Twelve Knights and often walk to McDonalds in Port Talbot. The young people also said they would often just walk the streets. The young people think

the cost of public transport is too high and they would like to see some skate ramps in their area. They also expressed concerns about anti-social behaviour.

Anti-Social Behaviour Statistics

The statistical report does not give a break down regarding age but since April 2015 there have been 52 reports on anti-social behaviour in this Ward. Included in this are 7 reports of youth annoyance in September 2015.

Unemployed 16 -18 year old Not in Education Employment or Training (NEET)Data. Tier 2 & 3

In August 2015 there were 9 NEET young people identified by Careers Wales from this Ward.

Tonna

No local authority youth clubs in the area and no known alternative youth provisions. We were unable to carry out any detached work in this area due to staff shortages and sickness.

Anti-Social Behaviour Statistics

The statistical report does not give a break down regarding age but since April 2015 there have been 7 reports on anti-social behaviour in this Ward. No reports of youth annoyance in September 2015.

Unemployed 16 -18 year old Not in Education Employment or Training (NEET) Data. Tier 2 & 3

In August 2015 there were 3 NEET young people identified by Careers Wales from this Ward.

Trebanos

No local authority youth clubs in the area and no known alternative youth provision open in the area although there is a voluntary youth club in Pontardawe. The young people spoken to said that they use the local parks and would often misbehave by throwing stones at the rugby club and graffiti the area. Some of the younger young people we spoke to

stated that they didn't like going to the park because of the behaviour of the older young people who swear and smoke.

Anti-Social Behaviour Statistics

The statistical report does not give a break down regarding age but since April 2015 there have been 4 reports on anti-social behaviour in this Ward. No reports of youth annoyance in September 2015.

Unemployed 16 -18 year old Not in Education Employment or Training (NEET) Data. Tier 2 & 3

In August 2015 there were 2 NEET young people identified by Careers Wales from this Ward.

Ystalyfera

There was one local authority youth club in the area but closed down due to health and safety concerns. The youth club has very recently moved venue and is now based in the Ysgol Gyfun Ystalyfera on a Tuesday 6.00 – 8.00. The young people spoken to tended to congregate around the local park and skate park. The young people also spoke about the MUGA. Some of the young people consulted with spoke about the local underpass and that they didn't like it and felt scared and uncomfortable walking through it.

Anti-Social Behaviour Statistics

The statistical report does not give a break down regarding age but since April 2015 there have been 26 reports on anti-social behaviour in this Ward. Included in this are 2 reports of youth annoyance in September 2015.

Unemployed 16 -18 year old Not in Education Employment or Training (NEET) Data. Tier 2 & 3

In August 2015 there were 7 NEET young people identified by Careers Wales from this Ward.

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	Number(%age) young people aged 11-16 attending youth club who have a red VAP status		Number(%age) young people aged 11-16 attending youth club who have an amber VAP status		Number(%age) young people aged 11-16 attending youth club who have a green VAP status		Total number young people aged 11-16 attending youth club who have a VAP status
Blaengwynfi YC	13	(15.7%)	61	(73.5%)	9	(10.8%)	83
Bryn YC	4	(12.9%)	21	(67.7%)	6	(19.4%)	31
Brynoch YC	9	(9.5%)	46	(48.4%)	40	(42.1%)	95
Cimla YC	12	(27.3%)	21	(47.7%)	11	(25.0%)	44
Croeserw YC	8	(15.4%)	32	(61.5%)	12	(23.1%)	52
Crynant YC	5	(15.6%)	11	(34.4%)	16	(50.0%)	32
Cwmafan RZ	3	(50.0%)	3	(50.0%)	0		6
Cwmllynfell YC	2	(5.6%)	19	(52.8%)	15	(41.7%)	36
Cymmer YC	16	(15.1%)	64	(60.4%)	26	(24.5%)	106
Glyncorwg YC	1	(4.5%)	7	(31.8%)	14	(63.6%)	22
Glynneath YC	10	(14.7%)	40	(58.8%)	18	(26.5%)	68
Hengwrt YC	12	(22.2%)	24	(44.4%)	18	(33.3%)	54
Neath RZ	12	(57.1%)	9	(42.9%)	0	(0%)	21
Sandfields YC	52	(23.3%)	124	(55.6%)	47	(21.1%)	223
Seven Sisters YC	12	(22.6%)	24	(45.3%)	17	(32.1%)	53
Taibach YC	44	(15.8%)	174	(62.4%)	61	(21.9%)	279
Ynysmeudwy RZ	0	(0%)	3	(75.0%)	1	(25.0%)	4
Ystalyfera YC	1	(100%)	0	(0%)	0	(0%)	1

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Youth Club Attendance Data 2014/15

	Number of females who attended in 14/15	Number of males who attended in 14/15	Total number of young people who attended in 14/15	Number of contacts with females in 14/15	Number of contacts with males in 14/15	Total number of contacts in 14/15	Average number of visits made by a female in 14/15	Average number of visits made by a male in 14/15	Average attendance per night in 14/15	Total number of nights club open in 14/15
Blaengwynfi YC	40	54	94	358	518	876	9	9.6	19	46
Bryn YC	4	32	36	6	182	188	1.5	5.7	10.4	18
Brynoch YC	39	63	102	308	475	783	7.9	7.5	31.3	25
Cwlla YC	34	18	52	177	77	254	5.2	4.3	19.5	13
Deserw YC	26	35	61	71	120	191	2.7	3.4	19.1	10
Dynant YC	35	21	56	471	243	714	13.5	11.6	16.6	43
Cwmlllynfell YC	40	41	81	300	311	611	7.5	7.6	15.6	39
Cymmer YC	54	62	116	388	648	1036	7.1	10.4	14.2	73
Glyncorrwg YC	12	20	32	168	129	297	14	6.4	9.2	35
Glynneath YC	40	38	78	272	249	521	6.8	6.6	20.8	25
Hengwrt YC	49	19	68	391	118	509	8	6.2	11.8	43
Neath	11	20	31	14	29	43	1.3	1.5	14	3
Sandfields YC	114	144	258	1523	2056	3579	13.4	14.3	38.4	93
Seven sisters YC	33	32	65	275	184	459	8.3	5.8	15.8	29
Taibach YC	141	162	303	1843	2153	3996	13.1	13.3	53.3	75
Ystalyfera	2	7	9							

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NEATH PORT TALBOT COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL
CHILDREN, YOUNG PEOPLE AND EDUCATION SCRUTINY BOARD

REPORT OF HEAD OF PARTICIPATION
CHRIS MILLIS

22 OCTOBER 2015

Matter for Information

Wards Affected: All

REPORT CARD FOR THE YOUTH SERVICE

Purpose of the Report

To present to Members the report card developed by the Youth Service.

Executive Summary

The format of the report cards follows the Results Based Accountability framework.

Background

The Youth Service provides opportunities to young people to enable their learning, personal and social development. The service delivers:

- 14 Youth Clubs;
- 2 Mobile units;
- Targeted work in 3 Communities First Clusters;
- Targeted work with Team Around the Family (TAF) referrals and vulnerable young people;
- Targeted work with young people Not in Education, Employment or Training (NEETS);
- Duke of Edinburgh Awards;
- Relationship Advice Drop in Service (RADS) sexual health services;
- Youth Engagement Progression Framework

- Youth Support Services Liaison.

Financial Impact

The Youth Service receives approx. 63% core funding from Neath Port Talbot County Borough Council and external funding from Communities First, Local Health Board, Families First and Welsh Government.

Equality Impact Assessment

Equality Impact Assessments have not been carried out for the purpose of this report.

Workforce Impacts

There are no workforce implications.

Legal Impacts

There are no legal implications.

Risk Management

No requirement for risk assessment.

Consultation

No requirement for consultation.

Recommendations

Item for information only.

Appendices

Appendix 1 - Youth Service Card March 2015.

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NPTCBC YOUTH SERVICE REPORT CARD MARCH 2015

Population outcomes (SIP): Young people aged 11-25 in Neath Port Talbot are able to fulfil their learning potential; are physically and emotionally healthy; have the skills necessary to access and sustain employment; are able to ‘feel safe and are safe’.

Corporate Improvement Objective: Better Schools; Brighter Prospects; Safer Brighter Futures; Prosperity for All.

ELLS Directorate Strategic Priorities/Objectives: Narrow the performance gap; improve pupil attendance; keep our citizens active, engaged and healthy; keep people safe and prioritise support for people at risk of domestic violence, drug and alcohol abuse; focus on the needs of children and families and implement effective early intervention approaches; ensure the efficient and effective utilisation of grant funded opportunities.

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What we do	Who we work with
<p>The Youth Service provides opportunities to young people to enable their learning, personal and social development. The service delivers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 14 Youth Clubs; • 2 Mobile units; • Targeted work in 3 Communities First Clusters; • Targeted work with Team Around the Family (TAF) referrals and vulnerable young people; • Targeted work with young people Not in Education, Employment or Training (NEETS); • Duke of Edinburgh Awards; • Relationship Advice Drop in Service (RADS) sexual health services; • Youth Engagement Progression Framework • Youth Support Services Liaison. <p>The Youth Service receives approx. 63% core funding from Neath Port Talbot County Borough Council and external funding</p>	<p>The Youth Service works with young people aged 11-25 from across the whole of the county borough.</p> <p>Our partners include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Menter Iaith • Dove Workshop • Careers Wales • Job Centre Plus (JC+) • Schools • Neath Port Talbot College Group • Training Providers • Third Sector Organisations • Community Based Organisations • Communities First Cluster Teams • ELLLs Directorate Teams • Children’s Services Teams • Youth Offending Services

from Communities First, Local Health Board, Families First and Welsh Government.	
Population Indicators: (overarching measures set by and measured by Welsh Government)	Service level indicators: (locally set measures that give a broad picture of the work carried out by services)
<p>Reduction in the number of young people who are overweight or obese;</p> <p>Reduction in the number of young people who misuse alcohol or other substances;</p> <p>Reduction in serious domestic violence referrals;</p> <p>Reduction in the number of 15 year olds not achieving a recognised qualification;</p> <p>Increase in pupil attendance in secondary school;</p> <p>Reduction in permanent and fixed term exclusions;</p> <p>Improved attainment by Free School Meals pupils;</p> <p>Reduction in the number of year 11 NEETS;</p> <p>Reduction in the number of 16-24 unemployed;</p> <p>Reduction in the number of teenage conceptions</p> <p>Reduction in the number of looked after children;</p>	<p>No. of young people aged 11-24 reached; ; (reached 4983 young people during 2014/15)</p> <p>% of 11-24 age population reached; (achieved 22% reach during 2014/15)</p> <p>No. of contacts with young people reached; (achieved 35,117 contacts during 2014/15).</p>
How are we doing?	
How much did we do?	How well did we do it?
<p>No of young people aged 11-24 reached; 4983 (Wales average for 2013/14 = 4,142)</p>	<p>% of 11-24 youth population reached; 22%(Wales average for 2013/14 = 21%)</p>
<p>No of contacts achieved; 38,022</p>	<p>Average contact achieved; 7.6 (Wales average for 2013/14=10%)</p>
<p>No and contacts with young people attending open access provision such as youth clubs and lunch clubs;</p>	<p>% of those reached attending universal provision; 76%</p>

<p>3808 individual young people / 22,866 contacts</p> <p>No and contacts with young people attending targeted provision:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Communities First team worked with 411 young people / 3,368 contacts • Prevention team (Families First Funded) 223 young people / 2,764 contacts • Youth Engagement and Progression team 878 young people / 7,546 contacts <p>No of contacts to the RADS. 1,478</p>	<p>Average contact achieved within universal provision; 6</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • % of those reached attending Communities First provision and average level of contact; 8% of young people of NPT population aged 11-24/ average number of contacts = 8 • % of those reached attending Prevention Team provision and average level of contact 4.5% of young people of NPT population aged 11-24/ average number of contacts = 7 • % of those reached attending Youth Engagement and Progression provision and average level of contact 18% of young people NPT population aged 11-24/ average number of contacts = 8.5 <p>Not able to give a percentage on the RADS service due to the confidential nature of the provision.</p>
Is anyone better off?	
Number	Percentage
<p><u>Skills & Knowledge:</u> No of young people reached achieving an accredited outcome or national award; 400 young people (464 awards)</p>	<p>% of young people reached achieving an accredited outcome or national award; 8% (Wales average for 2013/14 = 10%)</p>

<p>No of young people reached achieving a locally recognised award. 1014 young people(1059 awards)</p> <p>No of young people reached with increased knowledge of where to gain support and advice. **</p>	<p>% of young people reached achieving a locally recognised award. 20% (Wales average for 2013/14 = 15%)</p> <p>% of young people reached with increased knowledge of where to gain support and advice. **</p>
<p><u>Attitude & Opinions:</u> No of young people more positive about learning, employment and training; **</p> <p>No of young people feeling more positive about themselves; **</p>	<p>% of young people more positive about learning, employment and training; **</p> <p>% of young people feeling more positive about themselves; **</p>
<p><u>Behaviour:</u> No of young people exhibiting positive/healthy behaviour in a range of settings; 809</p> <p>No of young people engaged in active citizenship. 398</p>	<p>% of young people exhibiting positive/healthy behaviour in a range of settings; 16%</p> <p>% of young people engaged in active citizenship; 8%</p>
<p><u>Circumstances:</u> No of young people achieving a change in circumstances: 259</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • entered further education; 71 • entered paid employment; 101 • entered work based learning; 87 	<p>% of young people achieving a change in circumstances: 5.2%</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • entered further education; 1.4% • entered paid employment; 2% • entered work based learning; 1.7%
Story Behind the Data	
Reach has reduced by 9% from 5439 in 13/14 to 4983 in 14/15. This is due to a reduction in the number of youth clubs from 17 to	

14 (2 mobile clubs ceased and 1 closed due to health and safety); the focus for grant funding has also moved to targeted work with vulnerable young people rather than universal project work. Club provision has been further reduced in 15/16 as part of the efficiency savings. Overall 10 nights provision was lost and this is likely to impact significantly on both reach and contacts with young people. These figures will be reported on at the end of March 2016.

The reduction in reach has resulted in a loss of just under 20% in the number of contacts with young people from 42,181 in 13/14 to 35,328 in 14/15. Along with the reduced provision above the alternative education provision, ENGAGE was halved during 2014/15. Although the provision caters for a small group of young people the contacts that they generate are significant i.e. 2 per young person daily. ENGAGE will transfer to the Educated Other Than At School (EOTAS) Team from 1st April 2015 and this will impact significantly on the number of contacts achieved by the service in the future.

The service is currently sustaining its reach at 22% of the 11-25 population. However given the above it is likely that the penetration rate will reduce in 15/16.

Nationally accredited outcomes have reduced by 50% both in terms of numbers and the percentage of young people reached from 849 (16%) in 13/14 to 400 (8%) in 14/15. This is due to the reduction in the overall reach, significantly reduced numbers on ENGAGE, reductions in funding to meet the costs of accreditation and more targeted work with vulnerable young people. To address this the service has recognised young peoples' progress by providing a local certificate of participation in the curriculum areas of Citizenship, Arts, Sports, Health and Welsh. As a result locally recognised accreditation has risen significantly from 172 (3%) in 13/14 to 1014 (20%) in 14/15.

The average level of contact with young people is on a par with previous years even though the level of reach and overall contact with young people is reduced. The impact of more targeted work means that although the service will work with less individual young people it is likely that a greater level of contact will be needed to enable them to overcome barriers to progression. It is too early to comment on this impact but it will be measured during the next financial year.

Measuring the impact of the service on the satisfaction levels, attitude and opinions/behaviours of young people needs development. Currently those marked ** are not measured and others are not measured consistently across the whole service. The service is exploring a number of tools that may help measure soft outcomes more effectively e.g. the STAR tool; Self Efficacy Evaluation

Form etc. It is also mindful of WG's intention to publish a national outcomes framework for youth work. This is currently under development.

Changes in circumstances is more developed but at the moment circumstantial outcomes have been measured by the targeted teams. These team have a remit which includes supporting NEET and at risk of NEET young people and has achieved a change for 5.8% of the total number of young people reached by the entire service.

Next Key Actions to do Better

What?	Who?	When?
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop a satisfaction survey for use across the whole service 	JH/SYO's	End Sept 2015
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify appropriate measures for attitude/opinion, behaviour and circumstances and apply to targeted groups of young people. 	JH/SYO's	End Sept 2015
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review club provision in line with recommendations from CYPEB. 	JH	End Dec 2015
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Monitor the impact of targeted work on reach and contacts. 	JH	Quarterly 15/16
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Monitor the number of Vulnerable Assessment Profile young people accessing youth club provision 	JH	End of March 16