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Neath Port Talbot Council

NEATH PORT TALBOT COUNCIL

COUNCIL

2nd April 2025

**Report of the Director of Social Services, Health & Housing –
Andrew Jarrett**

MATTER FOR DECISION

WARDS AFFECTED: ALL

NEATH PORT TALBOT YOUTH JUSTICE AND EARLY INTERVENTION YOUTH JUSTICE PLAN 2024-2025

Purpose of Report

The purpose is to review the performance and developments of the service over the last year and to highlight the plan for the forthcoming year.

Background

The report presents the background and summary of the content of the Neath Port Talbot Youth Justice Service Early Intervention and Prevention Service Annual Youth Justice Plan 2024-25.

The report is seeking endorsement of the Neath Port Talbot Youth Justice and Early Intervention draft annual Youth Justice Plan 2024-

2025. The Neath Port Talbot Youth Justice Service (Early Intervention and Prevention) Management Board has already submitted the final plan to the Youth Justice Board (YJB)

Local authorities have a statutory duty to submit an Annual Youth Justice (YJ) Plan relating to their provision of youth justice services. Section 40 of the Crime and Disorder Act 1998 sets out the youth Justice Partnership's responsibilities in producing a plan. It states that it is the duty of each local authority, after consultation with the partner agencies, to formulate and implement an annual youth justice plan, setting out:

Financial Impact

Not applicable.

Integrated Impact Assessment

There is no requirement to undertake an Integrated Impact Assessment.

Valleys Communities Impacts

No implications.

Workforce Impacts

No implications.

Legal Impacts

No implications.

Risk Management Impacts

No implications.

Crime and Disorder Impacts

Section 17 of the Crime and Disorder Act 1998 places a duty on the Council in the exercise of its functions to have “due regard to the likely effect of the exercise of those functions on and the need to do all that it reasonably can to prevent:

- a) Crime and disorder in its area (including anti-social and other behaviour adversely affecting the local environment); and
- b) The misuse of drugs, alcohol and other substances in its area; and
- c) Re-offending the area”

There is no impact under the Section 17 of the Crime and Disorder Act 1998.

Violence Against Women, Domestic Abuse and Sexual Violence Impacts

Section 2(1) of the Violence Against Women, Domestic Abuse and Sexual Violence (Wales) Act 2015 introduced a general duty where a person exercising relevant functions must have regard (along with all other relevant matters) to the need to remove or minimise any factors which:

- (a) increase the risk of violence against women and girls, or
- (b) exacerbate the impact of such violence on victims.

The proposals contained in this report are likely to have no impact on the above duty.

Consultation

There is no requirement under the constitution for consultation on this item.

Recommendations

Upon recommendation from cabinet, that full council endorse this report

Reasons for Proposed Decision

To enable the Neath Port Talbot Youth Justice Service (Early Intervention and Prevention) on behalf of Neath Port Talbot Council to undertake its duties to deliver youth justice services in line with the Crime and Disorder Act 1998.

Implementation of Decision

The decision will be implemented following the three-day call in period

Appendices

Youth Justice Plan 2024/2025

List of Background Papers

None

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Table of Abbreviations used in the Report and in the world of Youth Justice.

CSE = Child sexual exploitation

SERAF = Sexual Exploitation Risk Assessment Framework

LA = Local authority

SBUHB = Swansea Bay University Health Board

SWP = South Wales Police

SCB = Children Safeguarding Board

GDPR = General Data Protection Regulation

CAMHS = Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services

PPU = Public protection unit

LAC = Looked after children

HSB = Harmful sexual behaviour

NPT= Neath Port Talbot

YOS = The Youth Offending Service

YJS = The Youth Justice Service

YJB = The Youth Justice Board.

HMIP Her Majesty's Inspectorate of Probation.

JICPA- Joint Inspection of Child protection arrangements.

TRM=Trauma Recovery Model