



**OFFICER REPORT TO LOCAL COMMITTEE
MOLE VALLEY**

**YOUTH DEVELOPMENT SERVICE LOCAL DELIVERY PLAN
2011/12**

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KEY ISSUE

To comment on and approve the 2011/12 Youth Development Service Delivery Plan for Mole Valley.

SUMMARY

This report sets out the context in which the Delivery Plan has been developed and full details of the plan is included in Annexe A.

OFFICER RECOMMENDATIONS

The Local Committee Mole Valley is asked to:

- (i) Approve the 2011/12 Youth Development Service Delivery Plan for Mole Valley as detailed in Annexe A.

1 INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND

- 1.1 As part of Surrey County Council's commitment to localism, the newly elected leader in 2009 introduced new powers for Local Committees to approve the Youth Delivery Plan
- 1.2 The Delivery Plan has been developed against a backdrop of change, financial pressure and uncertainty
- 1.3 The Services for Young People Transformation Project implementation will have an impact on the Delivery Plan.
- 1.4 At the Surrey County Council Cabinet meeting on 21st December, the Cabinet agreed the following recommendations:
 - (i) Approves the strategic direction towards adopting a commissioning model for Services for Young People.
 - (ii) Adopts a strategy to secure full participation in education, training or employment with training for all Surrey young people by their 19th birthday.
 - (iii) Approves the continued development of the seven indicative operating models set out in the report and ask officers to present further reports for approval as appropriate.
 - (iv) Agrees that progress will be reported quarterly to the Services for Young People: fit for the future Project Board
- 1.5 It is within this context of change that the Local Delivery Plan is being presented.

2 ANALYSIS Needs

- 2.1 The data contained in the 1 in 10 Needs Assessment has informed the development of the Delivery Plan.
- 2.2 There are 10,100 young people aged 10 to 19 in the district of Mole Valley
- 2.3 The following indicators for Mole Valley are above the Surrey average; the number of teenage conceptions leading to termination; school permanent exclusions; school age population with less than 80% attendance record and young people registered as young carers.

- 2.4 Leatherhead North ward is the most income deprived in Mole Valley in respect of income deprivation relating to children.
- 2.5 In respect of young people Not in Education, Employment or Training (Neet), whilst Mole Valley has lower numbers than the Surrey average there are pockets where the numbers of Neet young people are relatively high, i.e. Holmwoods and Leatherhead North.
- 2.6 In the first three quarters of the year (April to December inclusive) the outputs for the Youth Development Service in Mole Valley have increased compared to the corresponding period in the previous year, i.e. attendances up by 38%; contacts up by 18%; participants up by 53%; recorded outcomes up 24%, accredited outcomes up by 92% and hours of youth work delivery up by 35%

2.7 Key Achievements 2010

- The Youth Development Service in Mole Valley is now delivering inclusion work in all 5 schools (including Howard of Effingham)
- Gypsy Skills (along with second one in Runnymede) is likely to gain some proper schools funding for Y10-11's who will sign up for 4 days per week. We are running a countywide consultation/promotion within GRT communities with a view to expansion next academic year.
- Reboot crime diversion project (early intervention) is going well. Now into 3rd group and new application has gone to Crime & Disorder Reduction Partnership for funding to run 2 more.
- Bridge - Spiral FM, internet radio station is up and running and now has a second group learning to broadcast.
- Ashted - ACCT worker has piloted transition project to support targeted 11 year olds make the move from primary to secondary. Involves work in both schools and we are developing this approach in other parts of Mole Valley.
- Ashted - karting project continues to thrive after 12 years; also been working with the young people now using the skatepark that was initiated by Youth Development Service in conjunction with skaters some time ago.
- Bookham - following staffing difficulties over year to Aug 2010, we now have a professionally qualified Leader in Charge and a strong team. Open youth club is running well and project nights have started with 'Boxercise' which is popular and good training for self-discipline and fitness.

- Capel - multi use games pitch is very successful in the village. Youth Development Service, having taken lead in working with young people to get it built, have now handed it over to local team. Enough funding was raised to cover lighting, which is next main step.
- Skateparks - Projx team is working with young people from several skateparks who all want lighting. This involves partnership with the Joint Action Group and others.
- Mulberry - after losing one 'generation' and having a quieter few months, open youth club is now up to capacity with some very high needs young people. A dance project will soon start on Thursdays.
- Mulberry - subject to Planning permission on 16/2, building will be swapped in the summer of 2011 for Malthouse pub which will be renovated by Waitrose. Move project team including 9 young people from Mulberry and 9 other young people is being established quickly to undertake extensive consultation in Dorking to inform design and use of new building.
- Projx - NEET prevention work has started by focussing on young people in Year 11 that schools identify as being at risk. Offer made to all 5 schools and good interest so far. Face to face assessment determines whether they need 'signposting'/info, short to medium intervention or more substantial intensive work. We will offer groupwork for the latter, as well as one to one.
- Ashted India Trip – 10 young people aged 16-17 spent 17 days in India in August. There was a demanding work schedule, with one week in a school and one week in an orphanage. The commitment, teamwork and sheer hard work by the young people was excellent. The learning outcomes were immense, and feedback included the words 'life changing'. A film is available on request. The range of funders was broad, and most attended the evaluation evening presented by the young people.

2.8 Youth Development Service in Mole Valley Delivery Plan 2011/12

The plan in appendix 1 has been developed to address the needs of vulnerable young people in Mole Valley whilst building on current successful practice; within current budget of £297,607; and within the current youth work staffing resource of 8.18 fte (i.e. 6.45 fte core SCC funded and 1.73 fte through external funding) at our disposal.

3 OPTIONS

- 3.1 The Local Committee is asked to consider the targets outlined in appendix 1 and comment on the prioritisation and modification of the

targets should there be a budget reduction and possible redundancies for the year 2011/12.

- 3.2 By the time this paper is considered at the Local Committee we hope to have further details of the budget set for the Youth Development Service for 2011/12 and the impact this may have on the capacity to deliver the plan set out in Annexe A.

4 CONSULTATIONS

- 4.1 The plan in appendix 1 has been developed as a result of a number of consultations;
- The Area Manager and Youth Development Officer consulted with members of the Local Committee at a workshop held in November 2010
 - Young People across the borough have been consulted
 - Views have been sought from stakeholders and partners

5 FINANCIAL AND VALUE FOR MONEY IMPLICATIONS

- 5.1 The plan attached as Annexe A will deliver high quality outcomes for young people in Mole Valley who are most vulnerable and at risk; much of the work is preventative in nature and potentially will avoid more costly interventions by other agencies in the future.
- 5.2 At the time of writing this paper the budget for the Youth Development Service for 2011/12 has not been set, however there are indications of cuts to be implemented that will have an impact on the capacity to deliver the targets in the plan.
- 5.3 The Youth Development Officer has been successful in securing substantial funding from a variety of external sources to increase the capacity of the district youth development team to address needs in Mole Valley. We do not know at the time of writing this report whether this funding will continue in 2011/12.

6 EQUALITIES AND DIVERSITY IMPLICATIONS

- 6.1 The targets in the delivery plan aims to address the needs of and support young people who are vulnerable or who are in minority groups who may be experiencing difficulties or discrimination.

7 CRIME AND DISORDER IMPLICATIONS

- 7.1 Much of the work of the Mole Valley Youth Development team is interventionist in nature and in some pieces of work targets young

people who may be at risk of engaging in criminal or anti-social behaviour; however all the work delivered through the plan will have a positive impact on young people at risk of engaging in criminal or anti-social behaviour.

8 CONCLUSION AND RECOMMENDATIONS

- 8.1 The plan has been developed to best address the needs identified in the 1 in 10 needs assessment whilst taking into account the consultation with young people, members, partners and stakeholders and the resources at our disposal.
- 8.2 It is recommended the Local Committee approve the 2011/12 Youth Development Service Delivery Plan for Mole Valley.

9 REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

- 9.1 The targets set out in the delivery plan and the resulting outcomes will benefit those young people in the borough in most need.

10 WHAT HAPPENS NEXT

- 10.1 Resources will be allocated, staff deployed and the programme of projects and activities will commence in April 2011.

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