



## OFFICER REPORT TO LOCAL COMMITTEE Surrey Heath

### Services for Young People – local delivery plan

18 February 2010

#### KEY ISSUE

To inform the Local Committee of delivery plans for the Youth Development Service, the Youth Justice Service, the Inclusion Service and the Connexions Service, and to set out an initial vision for the future of youth services.

#### SUMMARY

The Youth Development Service is required to submit a local delivery plan that outlines its planned provision in the next financial year for approval by the Local Area Committee.

In addition to this, the document presented here introduces the transformation strategy that will modernise all Services for Young People in order to fulfil the Council's ambition to offer world class services for young people.

The draft of this document was first presented to the Chair of the Local Committee, and subsequently to an informal meeting of the Committee, for comment and discussion. All feedback from these meetings has been incorporated into the final document that is presented here.

#### OFFICER RECOMMENDATIONS

##### The Local Committee is asked to:

1. The Committee are asked to approve the Youth Development Service component of the Services for Young People Delivery Plan 2010/11.
2. The Committee are asked to note the transformation strategy for young people.

#### INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND

1. Andrew Povey, the Leader of the Council, asked that Local Area Committees be given the opportunity to approve the Youth Development Service's annual Local Delivery Plan.
2. The 2010/211 outline Local Delivery Plan for the YDS is included in this document.

## ANALYSIS

### Transforming Services for Young People

3. A project has been established to modernise Services for Young People by integrating the functions of the Youth Development, Youth Justice, Connexions and Inclusion Services to deliver cost-effective future targeted and preventative youth services.
4. The intention is to give Local Area Committees a say in how services are tailored to meet local needs, and the process and timeline for this is set out in the strategy outlined in this document.
5. All major changes must be communicated efficiently by Services for Young People to reassure service users and stakeholders.

### Implications for the Council's Priorities or Community Strategy/Local Area Agreement Targets

6. The Local Delivery Plan contributes to meeting the following National Outcome Indicators;
  - a) NI 110 – *Making a positive contribution to young people's participation in positive activities.*
  - b) NI 117 – *Economic wellbeing – 16-19 year olds who are not in education, training or employment (NEET).*
  - c) NI 112 – *Making a positive contribution to under 18 conception rate.*
  - d) NI 57 – *Young People's participation in high-quality Sport.*

## OPTIONS

7. Existing services provided by Youth Development Service, the Youth Justice Service, the Inclusion Service and the Connexions Service are efficient and meet their targets.
8. We believe more flexible and efficient service in the future will be provided by better integration.

## CONSULTATIONS

9. A major programme of consultation is being planned to include local service users and stakeholders, the results of which will inform the development of this initiative.

## FINANCIAL AND VALUE FOR MONEY IMPLICATIONS

10. The Transformation Project aims to design services that are upper quartile for performance and lower quartile for cost.
11. The Key driver is value for money and localised services offering integrated, preventative and targeted provision.

## EQUALITIES AND DIVERSITY IMPLICATIONS

12. All Services for Young People provided by Surrey County Council work within the best practice of equality and diversity standards.

## CRIME AND DISORDER IMPLICATIONS

13. The Youth Justice Service is a central part of the Plan. In addition all of the other services involved provide preventative and targeted work with disengaged young people.

**CONCLUSION AND RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 14. The Local Delivery Plan for 2010/11 sets out a program for services for Young People in the borough.
  
- 15. The transformation strategy for youth services will have a significant effect on the Local delivery plans for 2011/2012 and beyond.

**REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 16. Services must support all young people in the area and the current configuration is not as flexible or responsive as it will need to be in future. By starting with the 'benchmark' of the Local Delivery Plan and taking a proactive approach to future need, SCC will continue to provide excellent services for young people.

**WHAT HAPPENS NEXT**

- 17. Services for Young People will deliver services as outlined in the 2010/11 Local Delivery Plan.
  
- 18. The engagement of the Local Area Committees will ensure local priorities are addressed. An extended programme of consultation will allow young people and the partnership of support agencies to 'co-produce' services that meet local needs.
  
- 19. Progress on the transformation project will be communicated to the Committee at each formal meeting.

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**Background Papers:**

Local Delivery Plan attached  
Project Implementation Document on 'Services for Young People Transformation Project' page of the S-net  
'The Transformation Project Explained' background paper on 'Services for Young People Transformation Project' page of the S-net