

## Elmbridge - Local Service Specification

The priority for the Neighbourhood Prevention Grant in Elmbridge is to prevent young people from becoming NEET by supporting young people in academic years 8-11 to reduce their risk factors and increase protective factors for those who are identified as being most at risk of becoming NEET.

Prevention activities should be co-produced with young people and delivered in the local community. Preventative services must demonstrate high-quality delivery and a focus on meeting the individual needs of young people identified as being at Risk of NEET (RONI). There were 186 young people NEET in Elmbridge and 329 identified as at risk of NEET (RONI's) in 2011/12.

### Definitions:

- **NEET** young people are those who are '**Not in Education, Employment or Training**'. They are in year groups 12-14 (aged 16-19) and have had at least one period when they were out of education or work during the 2011-2012 Academic Year (Sept 2011 - Aug 2012);
- **RONI** young people are those who have been identified as '**At Risk**' of becoming NEET when they leave school (aka **RONI**) are in year groups 8-11. These young people have been identified by Services for Young People in collaboration with schools. They will exhibit a number of NEET indicators, such as being Looked After or a Child in Need, involvement with crime or anti-social behaviour, low school attendance or fixed term exclusions, or having a learning difficulty or disability.

### Key local services/commissions.

There are three key strands to Services for Young People. Providers will be expected to link between these commissions:

- **Centre Based Youth Work** – Delivers universal and targeted provision to all young people. Also works with the RONI cohort.
- **Youth Support Service** – A one-to-one case management service supporting young people who are NEET, in the Youth Justice System, Child in Need and homelessness.
- **Neighbourhood Prevention Grant** – Providing preventative services to RONI young people.

### Key characteristics for the Neighbourhood Prevention Grant.

Neighbourhood Prevention activity must take place outside the school day and be delivered from premises other than the Youth Centres above. Initial contact can be made in schools.

Based on the knowledge of local need the Elmbridge Task Group have identified the following neighbourhoods as some that should be targeted areas for the delivery of prevention projects. Providers must deliver from one or more of these priority areas of Elmbridge:

- Cobham
- Molesey South
- St Johns (Walton Ambleside)
- Field Common Estate
- Lower Green
- Hersham North
- Weybridge

**The Task Group has identified the following specific needs or barriers to Participation in Education, Training or Employment (PETE) in Elmbridge for which bids are invited:**

- Support for young people with mental health needs, including life skills and self confidence.
- Young people need highly developed role models and mentoring opportunities to support them to make a successful transition post 16.
- Support for young people where substance misuse is impacting on their future employability and resilience to remain in mainstream education.
- Support for young people to develop employability skills and experiences to prepare young people for future work or education.
- Support for young people who are unable to access provision due to a lack of transport
- Support for young people who are experiencing isolation, particularly in Cobham and Field Common areas.

**The Elmbridge Task Group has identified a need for projects, which fulfil the following key criteria:**

- Projects must demonstrate a strategy for engaging young people.
- Projects must work alongside the Supported Families Programme, Youth Support Service, Surrey Police, and create links with Youth Centres.
- Projects must deliver during the school holidays, weekends and evenings to young people in addition to term-time out of school hours.

- Projects should include provisions with specific workers who will engage and create positive relations with the young people.
- Projects should demonstrate how young people's leadership skills will be developed, and how the projects will lead to sustainable outcomes for young people and their communities
- Projects should not duplicate existing provision within the Elmbridge area and should enhance or add value to existing services.
- Provision should be developed in one or more of the key priority areas. Projects should have capacity for borough wide referrals, to ensure any young person in Elmbridge can access the provider's service(s).
- Bids should demonstrate how providers are going to promote their services and engage with young people. Use of alternative media to communicate with young people is desirable.
- Projects should be a mixture of long-term and short-term provision.

Bids will be scored by their ability to meet the above needs and deliver in the target areas.

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