Overview of Youth Justice In Knowsley

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Presentation Overview

• National context and Aims and Objectives
• Continuum of youth justice system in England and Wales
• Profile of Knowsley young people
• Local interpretation and Delivery Model
• Outcomes
National Context

• 1998 Crime and Disorder Act new legislative framework for Youth Justice including:
  • Implementation of Youth Justice Board (YJB) England & Wales to oversee the youth justice system
  • Statutory Multi agency youth offending Services for 10 – 17’s
• YJB:
  • Non-departmental public body of the Ministry of Justice
  • Funding and performance monitoring Youth Offending Services
  • Commissioning and performance monitoring of the Juvenile Secure Estate
National Aims and Indicators

• **AIMS of the YJB:**
  • To ensure that custody for under-18s is safe and secure
  • Prevent offending and reoffending in the community.

• **NATIONAL PERFORMANCE INDICATORS:**
  • Reduce re offending by young people in criminal justice system (CJS)
  • Reduce numbers of young people entering the CJS for the first time
  • Reduce the numbers of young people entering custody
Youth Justice Continuum in England and Wales

Pre-Court

Court

Remand to custody

Custody

Adult Prison or CJS

Exit & End of sentence

Bailed

Community Supervision

NB: 10 – 17 yrs
National Highly Prescriptive Rules of Engagement..

- Home Office National Standards for Youth Justice
- HMiP Inspectorate Regimes
- Political
- Legislation/policy
Profile Snapshots Knowsley
2011/12

• 384 young people per annum  snapshot 109
• Female 21%, Male 79%
• Age 10-12 = 1% , 13 – 15 = 22%, 16 + = 77%
• BME 4.7%
• 33% significant loss/bereavement
• 24% Domestic Violence
• 52% Family Dysfunction
• 75% Special Educational Needs (53% statemented, 22% SA/SA+)
• Prevalence speech language and communication difficulties
• 80% have used cannabis
• 40% Emotional/ Mental health Problems
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Local Interpretation and Delivery model

Safeguarding vs Public Protection
Local Interpretation and Delivery model
Knowsley Youth Offending Service

- Police
- Probation
- Health
- Local Authority (Education and Social Care)
- Additionally: substance misuse, mental health, family workers
- 44 employees and 33 volunteers
- Strategic Management Board Governance
- Youth Justice Board/MOJ Oversight
- LA service - Pan Merseyside/National relations
- Statutory 3 year youth justice delivery plan
Local Interpretation and Delivery model

STATUTORY DUTIES

• APPROPRIATE ADULT
• COURT SERVICES
• BAIL SUPERVISION
• ASSESSMENT & SENTENCING REPORTS
• COMMUNITY SUPERVISION
• INTENSIVE SUPERVISION AND SURVEILLANCE
• REMAND AND CUSTODIAL SUPERVISION
• VICTIM LIAISON
• POST CUSTODY SUPERVISION
• ENFORCEMENT & BREACH
Local Interpretation and Delivery model

- VOLUNTARY DUTIES
- Assess and Divert (TRIAGE)
- 15 Hrs PW WRAParound voluntary provision
- Stronger Families
- After care provision post statutory order
- Statutory Supervision post 17 years for young people assessed as vulnerable
Youth Justice Continuum in Knowsley

Youth Justice Diversion TRIAGE

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NB: 10 – 18 yrs
Triage Facts and Figures

• 20 day max turn around per Triage
• 2010 -12 = 379 referrals  331 Diversions
• 893,700K Saving to Public Purse
• 11/12 the most frequent were:
  - Drugs 61  (37.4%)
  - Theft and Handling 28  (17.15)
  - Violence against the Person 23  (14.1%)
  - Criminal Damage 21  (12.9%)
• Low Re offending rate post Triage approx 14%
• Average re offending rate statutory order is 38%
## COURT CONVICTIONS

**Pre Vs Post Triage**

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1. Evidence based National Assessment tool = ASSET
   • Risk of re-offending
     71% accuracy using static and dynamic factors
   • Risk of Serious Harm (safety of others)
   • Risk of vulnerability (safety of young person)
   • MAPPA

2. Risk level and type of risk identifies intervention level
   A. Standard   B. Enhanced   C. Intensive
ADDITIONAL ASSESSMENTS

- Sexually harmful behaviour
- Trauma
- Mental and physical health
- Speech, Language & Communication
- Stronger Families
- Learning Styles
- Substance Misuse
- Parenting
INTERVENTIONS

- INTERVENTIONS inc but not limited to:
  - Empathy
  - Restorative intervention
  - Sexually harmful behaviour
  - Substance & Alcohol misuse interventions
  - Self esteem
  - Education Training & Employment
  - Family & Individual Therapeutic intervention
  - Parenting
  - Offending behaviour work
  - Tier 1 – 4 CAMHs
  - Parent Group interventions
  - Cognitive behavioural offending behaviour programmes
  - Intensive WRAPAROUND 15 hrs
A FRAMEWORK FOR DELIVERING RISK LED SERVICES

ASSESSMENT | MANAGEMENT OVERSIGHT | INTERVENTION DELIVERY | REVIEW

INITIAL | FULL RISK ASSESSMENT:
- Re-Offending
- Serious Harm to Others
- Vulnerability

HIGH/VERY HIGH RISK YP

HIGH RISK YOT CASE PLANNING FORUM

HIGH, VERY HIGH RISK “DYO” (except vul)
INTENSIVE:

MEDIUM RISK
- ENHANCED:

LOW RISK
- STANDARD:

Usual Case Management Processes

REVIEWS OF INTERVENTION
REOFFENDING FACTS & FIGURES

2012 April Current Cohort (YOIS):
- Breach of ASBO/Interim ASBO most frequent, Drugs, Violence
- 13 years was the most prominent age of young people reoffending
- All young people reoffending are male

2010 Cohort (PNC):
- Drugs, Breach of Interim ASBO and violence were the most frequent re offences committed
- Of the cohort, 12 years was the most frequent age of young people receiving their first reprimand/caution
Transition to Probation

- YOS = 10 – 17 yrs
- Probation = 18 upwards
- Protocol agreed with Probation to attach additional YOS resources to yps transferring at age 18 eg: volunteer mentors, health etc
- Diversion of low risk young people mean increasingly vulnerable and complex statutory cohort.
- Good practice dictates that YOS are increasingly maintaining supervision for yps beyond 18 although not resourced for this
- Exception eg: 17 yr old starting 6 year custodial sentence would exit to probation.
QUESTIONS????

THANK YOU