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Report to OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY BOARD

[Youth Justice Management Board Report 2022/23]

Portfolio Holder:

[insert name and portfolio of Executive Member e.g. Councillor Smith, Cabinet Member for Schools]

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08/11/2022

Purpose of the Report

The plan outlines the responsibilities of the Youth Justice Service and its priorities for 22/23 as well as financial arrangements and performance within the previous year.

Executive Summary

Attached in appendix is the annual Youth justice Plan. This has already been subject to review via the Youth justice Management Board and Youth Justice Board. This year the YJB changed the report request with a more extensive plan in line with a prescribed format. The plan includes:

- Introduction, Vision and Strategy
- Local Context
- Child First
- Voice of the Child
- Governance, Leadership and Partnership
- Resources and Services
- Progress on Previous Plan
- Performance and priorities
- National Standards
- Challenges, Risks and Issues
- Service Improvement Plan
- Evidence Based Practice and Innovation
- Looking Forwards

Recommendations

That the report be approved by the O & S Board.

Overview and Scrutiny Board

08/11/2022

Youth Justice Plan

1 Background

- 1.1 The YJMB Annual plan is a requirement of grant allocation for Oldham's Youth Justice Service and overseen by the Youth Justice Board nationally.

2 Current Position

- 2.1 The plan has been developed and approved at Strategic level through the Youth Justice Management Board and nationally via the Youth Justice Board.

3 Key Issues for Overview and Scrutiny to Discuss

- 3.1 Oversight of plan to meet statutory requirements and consideration of any suggested improvements for 22/23

Recognising the successful outcomes for the service: within the reporting period Oldham has some of the lowest rates of reoffending in England, despite the challenges faced.

The report is subject to grading from the Youth Justice Board. Oldham's Plan was awarded an 'Outstanding' rating for 22/23

4 Key Questions for Overview and Scrutiny to Consider

- 4.1 To satisfy the Panel that the service is operating successfully to support young people in Oldham

To have oversight of the service and its governance arrangements.

5. Links to Corporate Outcomes

- 5.1 The report outlines the successful delivery of the service, with nationally leading performance in reoffending.

7 Consultation

- 7.1 The plan has been through consultation with the Youth Justice Management Board, chaired by Gerard Jones, Managing Director. Membership of the board is comprehensive and involves a broad partnership membership as below (please note the board is correct at the time of plan submission):

Name	Job title	Organisation
Gerard Jones (Chair)	Director of Children's Services	Council
Steph Bolshaw	Chief Executive	Positive Steps
Paul Axon	Director of Young People's Services (Head of YJS)	Positive Steps
Elaine Devaney	Director of Children's Social Care	Council
Richard Lynch	Director Education Skills and Early Years	Council
Moira Fields	Senior Housing Needs Officer	Council
Amy Poulson	Head of Probation Delivery Unit	National Probation Service
Jennie Davies	Head Teacher for the Virtual School	Oldham Council
Chris French	GMP Oldham (Title TBC)	Greater Manchester Police
John Cotton	Head Legal Advisor	South Cluster Magistrates Court
Siobhan Ebdon	Head of Children's Services	Community Health Services
Angela Welsh	Senior Commissioning Business Partner	NHS Clinical Commissioning Group
Kay Thomas	District Manager	Bridgewater Community Healthcare
Meghan Ward [Andrea Weir]	Senior Commissioning Officer for Children	Clinical Commissioning Group
Lorraine Kenny	Community Safety Manager	Oldham Council
Laura Windsor-Welsh	Partnerships Service Manager	Action Together
Neil Consterdine	Assistant Director Youth, Leisure and Community	Oldham Council

8 Appendices

8.1 Youth Justice Strategic Plan 22/23