



Meeting of the City Council

4 November 2015

Report title	Executive Business	
Referring body	Cabinet – 21 October 2015	
Councillor to present report	Cllr Val Gibson Children and Young People	
Wards affected	All	
Cabinet members with lead responsibility	Cllr Val Gibson Children and Young People	
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Report to be/has been considered by	Cabinet	21 October 2015

Recommendation(s) for action or decision:

The Council is recommended to:

Receive the summary of executive business and for Cabinet Members to answer any questions thereon.

**Executive business including
Policy development/operational issues**

**Cllr Val Gibson
Children and Young People**

- **Wolverhampton Youth Justice Plan**

- Cabinet has formally approved the adoption of the local Youth Justice Plan previously approved by the Youth Offending Team (YOT) Management Board.
- The plan sets out how Youth Justice services are provided and resourced in Wolverhampton which has a strong track record of delivery and improvement against government targets. Underpinning the plan is an action plan which is regularly reviewed and monitored by the YOT Management Board which meets quarterly with membership from the Council, West Midlands Police, the Royal Wolverhampton Hospital Trust, Recover Near You (substance misuse service), National Probation Service and the Chair of the Black Country Youth Court Bench.
- Some of the successes contained within the plan are that:
 - In respect of reoffending rates, Wolverhampton sustains a good level of performance against national comparators, with both the binary and frequency rates being ahead of national average.
 - Efforts to improve service user participation in shaping services is progressing and an electronic feedback system that young people can utilise to routinely share their feedback with the service has been put in place.
 - The YOT has been a key player both strategically and operationally in the delivery of our 'Troubled Families' programme contributing to the successful completion of the Phase One programme.
 - The YOT has continued to respond to the growing need for diversionary schemes to constructively occupy young people and provide positive choices.
 - The YOT contributed to the regional approach to reviewing restorative justice delivery. Locally we are improving the diversity of its indirect reparation offer but also looking to improve the number of face to face victim/offender encounters.