

Children and Family Services

Youth Offending

What do we do?

We are a team made up of representatives from Police, Probation Service, Social Services, Health, Education, Drugs and Alcohol misuse and Housing Officers.

We aim to:

- ◆ To prevent offending/re-offending by children and young people.
- ◆ To enable the Children and Young people to make good any harm caused to the victims of their crime or the wider community.
- ◆ To assist and support parents in promoting positive behaviour and outcomes for their children.

We offer support and advice to both individuals and groups of young people who have been involved with offending. These interventions include Anger Management where young people explore positive ways of dealing with their anger; Drug counselling where trained workers discuss the consequences of drug taking; Family support/mediation, where families raise concerns and support is offered; Victim awareness where young people can meet and listen to the victims of crime to help them understand the effect it has on individuals; Car crime awareness days aimed at young people who have been involved with motoring offences and Prison Visits, where the harsh reality of prison is shown to young people. General group work to boost self-esteem and confidence can also be offered which would include issues around contraception and safe sex and access and support for young people in education, training and employment.

Who is the service for?

We work with children and young people from the age of 10 – 18yrs of age who have committed an offence and who are currently being supervised by the Youth Offending Team.

Are there opportunities for volunteers? Yes, definitely! They are a valuable part of the team, and are needed for various types of work with young people.

How can you find out more?

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