

# **Bridgend Youth Justice Service (BYJS) Management Board**

#### 1. Purpose

- 1.1 To bring together the statutory partners as identified in the Crime and Disorder Act 1998 and non-statutory partners who make a significant contribution to the delivery of youth justice services in Bridgend County Borough
- 1.2 To work collaboratively to prevent and reduce youth crime in Bridgend County Borough
- 1.3 To ensure the statutory duties set out in the Crime and Disorder Act 1998 and subsequent reviews are met
- 1.4 To contribute to the Wellbeing Objectives detailed in the Wellbeing Plan for Bridgend

#### 2. Vision

2.1 Together we will support children and young people to prevent offending behaviour by enabling them to respond positively to their communities and reach their full potential.

### 3. Responsibilities

- 3.1 The Bridgend Youth Justice Management Board will:
  - Set out a strategic direction for the local delivery of a 'Justice Service for Young People' to ensure that statutory requirements are met and key plans are developed and delivered effectively.
  - Support BCBC's Chief Executive in their duty to formulae and implement the annual youth justice plan. This plan sets out how youth justice services in Bridgend are composed, provided and funded; how the BYJS will operate and what functions it will carry out.
  - Ensure the YJS tailors its services to the needs of local young people and that they have an opportunity to shape the services and interventions they receive
  - Hold accountable the YJS and partner agencies for their contribution to performance against the Wales Youth Justice Indicators and other local measures.
  - Implement appropriate staff, management and infra structure arrangements to be able to deliver the statutory duties and obligations of the service
  - Take responsibility for ensuring that the actions undertaken by the BYJS
    protects the safety, of children and young people, the staff who work with
    them, and members of the public
  - Embed the principal aim of preventing offending by children and young people in the work of relevant strategic partnerships including, but not limited to, the



Bridgend Public Services Board, the Bridgend Community Safety Partnership and the Cwm Taf Morgannwg Safeguarding Board

- Take a lead role in scrutinising the YJS's response to Community Safeguarding and Public Protection incidents. When a safety or public protection incident occurs the YJS must inform the YJB and undertake a review of learning, causes and key areas for improvement. The board is responsible for monitoring all actions and learning for the BYJS and for sharing learning with local partners, including local safeguarding boards
- Scrutinise the arrangements in place for children and young people involved in the Youth Justice system to have access to universal and specialist services delivered by partners and other key agencies
- Address and solve any difficulties that the BYJS and its partners face when planning and delivering reintegration and resettlement support.
- Agree resources to be allocated from partner agencies
- Agree an information sharing protocol and designate a liaison officer in each member organisation
- Report progress to Bridgend Public Services Board, through the performance management system bi annually or as requested by the board
- Report to the Community Safety Overview and Scrutiny Committee or other Scrutiny Committees as requested

# 3. Sustainable Development

- 3.1 The Bridgend Youth Justice Management Board will act in accordance with sustainable development principle, ie working to ensure the needs of the present are met without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs. The Board will:
  - Think about the long term
  - Look to prevent problems
  - Work towards the seven wellbeing goals as set out in the Wellbeing of Future Generations Act (Wales) 2015 in all that they do
  - Work with each other
  - Work with people and communities, by involving them

# The Seven Wellbeing Goals

A Prosperous Wales Wales	A Healthier Wales	A More Equal Wales	A Wales of Cohesive Communities	A Wales of Vibrant Culture and Thriving Welsh Language	A Globally Responsible Wales
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#### 4. Membership

- 4.1 In line with the requirements of the Crime and Disorder Act 1998 the statutory funding members are:
  - Bridgend County Borough Council
  - South Wales Police
  - National Probation Service
  - Cwm Taf Morgannwg Health Board
- 4.2 The Management Board has the power to co-opt additional members. Co-opted members are:
  - South Wales Fire and Rescue Service
  - Career Wales
  - o Bridgend College
  - WGADA
  - o WLGA
  - South Wales Police and Crime Commissioner
- 4.3 Members will be at senior officer level, with the authority to make decision.

### 4.4 Deputising Arrangements

- Members will identify a nominated deputy to attend where the member is not available.
- That deputy should be fully briefed and have all powers delegated for the purposes of the activity of partnership
- A list of members is attached.

#### 5. Chairing Arrangements

- 5.1 There will be co-chairing arrangements for the first year of operation
- 5.2 Both chairs will be elected annually from one of the statutory members
- 5.2 The maximum term of office for a chair is 2 years
- 5.3 In the unlikely absence of both chairs a deputy will be selected from members present

#### 6. Task and Finish Groups

- 6.1 The board may establish task and finish groups to address specific issues
- 6.2 Membership of task and finish groups to be agreed by the partnership
- 6.3 Terms of reference, including the expected life of the task and finish group will be developed in all cases.

#### 7. Frequency of Meetings



- 7.1 The Partnership will meet monthly for the first year, then quarterly to coincide with Community Safety Partnership meetings.
- 7.2 Meetings to be held prior to Public Service Board meetings, with sufficient time to allow for preparation of reports
- 7.3 Additional meetings may be arranged at the discretion of the chair

## 8. Review

8.1 The Partnership's operation and terms of reference will be reviewed annually

# 9. Co-ordination/Support

**9.1** To be provided by the PSB partnership support team