

ROTHERHAM BOROUGH COUNCIL – REPORT TO MEMBERS

1.	Meeting:-	Cabinet Member for Communities and Cohesion.
2.	Date:-	22 nd July 2013
3.	Title:-	An update on the development of the IYSS Service Specification.
4.	Directorate:-	Schools and Lifelong Learning, CYPS.

5. Summary

A key outcome of the Integrated Youth Support Service restructure has been the creation of the Service Specification. The Specification has been developed in partnership with the RMBC Commissioning Service. The Specification document (see Appendix 1) contains an overview of the core business of IYSS and information of how the work will be implemented operationally

The purpose of this report is to present the IYSS Service Specification to Elected Members for information and feedback.

6. Recommendations

That the Cabinet Member for Community and Cohesion receive the Service Specification for information and also provide feedback on its contents

7. Proposals and Details

This is covered within the attached document.

8. Finance

All budgetary considerations re this project have been fully met.

9. Risks and Uncertainties

A failure to complete and implement a robust Service Specification would impede the effective delivery of provision to young people in Rotherham.

10. Policy and Performance Agenda Implications

The Local Authority has a statutory role in implementing raising of the participation age (RPA) in terms of both ensuring a September offer of learning to all young people aged 16-18 , influencing the development of provision to meet the needs of young people in their locality providing support to young people NEET and tracking outcomes for the 16-19 cohort.

Rotherham is currently experiencing the highest youth unemployment figures for 16-25 year olds but has sustained performance with 16 -18 year olds. There is a risk that 16-18 year olds NEET may rise as a result of the pace of change.

Rotherham has a statutory responsibility to deliver work to young people in terms of the "Positive for Youth" agenda.

Rotherham has statutory responsibilities in terms of delivering Youth Offending Services to young people in Rotherham.

The Service Specification is required in order to effectively deliver the above items.

11. Background Papers and Consultation

"Positive for Youth" D of E January 2012.

Rotherham IYSS Project Implementation Document and Timeline 2012.

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