

Council – 5th December 2017
Recommendation from Cabinet
31st October 2017

Coventry City Council
Minutes of the Meeting of Cabinet held at 2.00 pm on Tuesday, 31 October 2017

Present:

Members: Councillor G Duggins (Chair)
Councillor A Khan (Deputy Chair)
Councillor F Abbott
Councillor L Bigham
Councillor K Caan
Councillor K Maton
Councillor J Mutton
Councillor J O'Boyle
Councillor E Ruane

Deputy Cabinet Members: Councillor R Ali
Councillor B Kaur
Councillor R Lakha
Councillor C Thomas

Non-Voting Opposition Members: Councillor A Andrews
Councillor G Ridley

Other Members: Councillor N Akhtar
Councillor R Brown
Councillor J Clifford
Councillor M Mutton
Councillor J McNicholas
Councillor S Walsh

Employees (by Directorate):

Chief Executive's M Reeves (Chief Executive), N Hart

People G Quinton (Deputy Chief Executive (People)), J Gregg,
G Kell, P Smith

Place M Yardley (Deputy Chief Executive (Place)), B Hastie,
J Newman, M Salmon

Apologies: Councillor J Innes
Councillor P Akhtar
Councillor D Welsh

Public Business

68. Youth Justice Plan

The Cabinet considered a report of the Deputy Chief Executive (People) that would also be considered at the meeting of the Council on 5th December 2017, which provided notification that The Coventry Youth Offending Service (CYOS) Youth Justice Plan 2017-2018, a copy of which was attached as an appendix to the report, had been agreed and signed off by its Statutory Partners, and sought Council endorsement of the Plan.

Youth Offending Teams were established under the Crime and Disorder Act 1998 (CDA). The functions assigned to the YOS included the duty upon the Local Authority under the Children Act 1989 to take all reasonable steps to encourage children not to commit offences. The Act imposed a duty on each Local Authority acting in co-operation with its Statutory Partners (Police, Health and Probation), to ensure that all youth justice services were available in their area to such an extent as it appropriate for the area.

The key tasks of the service were:

- Assessing and delivering interventions to the out-of-court-disposal cohort
- Management and delivery of community sentences
- Management and delivery of secure estate sentences and resettlement
- Servicing the Youth Court and Crown Courts (in terms of provision of a court team, bail & health assessments, provision of pre-sentence reports and stand down reports)
- Victim services
- Parenting services and management of Parenting Orders

The CDA legislation also imposed a duty to complete and submit a Youth Justice Plan each year. The Plan provided an overview of CYOS achievements against key indicators, plans and targets, and identified the key strategic actions for the next 12 months.

Statutory Partners (Police Health, Probation, and Local Authority, represented by the Director of Children Services) agreed and signed off the Plan at CYOS Statutory Board meeting on 31st July 2017.

The Cabinet agreed to recommend that the Council endorse the Youth Justice Plan.

RESOLVED that the Council be recommended to endorse the Youth Justice Plan.