

Provision of Services for Young People in Derwentside

Scoping Study

The Derwentside Community Safety Partnership has agreed that, over the next twelve months, priority be given to work targeted at children and young people aged 5 – 19 yrs. Prior to making investment decisions, the partnership feels it prudent to gain an understanding of what services for young people currently exist, how they contribute to addressing issues of community safety and public reassurance and will therefore assist the Partnership to achieve national and local targets and priorities. In addition, the work will contribute to an understanding of factors such as:

- Effectiveness – e.g. is the work grounded in robust evidence-based activity, does it focus on long term, sustainable change rather than short-term, one-off diversionary activities?
- Efficiency – is work being undertaken in the most efficient manner e.g. is it co-ordinated; is there duplication, gaps, lack of appropriate collaboration/partnership?
- Best Value – e.g. is the work delivered in the most cost-effective manner given the number of beneficiaries, impact and outcome?

It is envisaged that the work will take account of services currently available for young people in terms of what is delivered, how and where it is delivered, who is delivering it and how it is funded. While it is expected that the work will look at input, output and process, it is equally, if not more, important that outcomes are identified and quantified where possible. The work is not intended to be simply a mapping exercise but rather that availability and access issues, funding arrangements and the impact of current services are examined in terms not only of how many people have benefited but also what has changed as a result of using the services and the impact this has had on community safety and public reassurance issues.

An amount of £10,000 is available to undertake this piece of work and it is expected that completion will be within a three-month timescale.

This information has been sent to you as an organisation that might wish to be considered to undertake this work and, if so, you should send a brief outline of how you would propose to undertake the work, timescales for completion and a breakdown of the costs involved and can demonstrate a successful track record of undertaking work of this or a similar nature, and be able to provide references from previous clients.

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