

COMMITTEE: WEST LUTON AREA

DATE: TUESDAY 26TH JANUARY 2010

SUBJECT: INTEGRATED SERVICES FOR CHILDREN AND LEARNING
(BULLET POINT UPDATE – QUARTER 3)

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Integrated Services for Children and Learning - Bullet Point Update

- The new integrated team structure went live on 15th December 2009, the team is developing well and practioner's and service users are benefiting from the joint working structure.
- Successful Basketball project continues at Future Generation Youth Centre (FGYC) steered by a youth management committee.
- Developing a bike project with the police , this will enable young people to be safe on the roads.
- A girls group at FGYC has supported 11 young women to successfully achieve their skill section of the Award.
- Staff have supporting the FGYC Youth Committee to deliver a project raising funds for Children in Need and organise a Christmas party.
- A area wide youth committee Young Voice is in the process of being established this will be a representative group of young people who we are able to consult with.
- We continue to have young people as fully functioning members of recruitment panels for Integrated Youth Work Staff.
- Honest Unbiased Guidance (HUG) Club at Barnfield Academy West offering sexual health education is continuing to develop.

- Staff delivered sexual health, drugs and alcohol awareness education to over 100 young people during a PSHE day.
- Hockwell Ring Community Centre is scheduled to close for refurbishment; research is being under taken to establish an alternative delivery venue that is suitable for young people.
- The Boom Bus is being used every Friday at Hockwell Ring and is popular with young people.
- The girls group at Challney Girls School continues to be under subscribed an action plan has been devised to contact young people at the school to entice them to attend.
- Make a Difference Day took place at the end of half term cleaning up cleaning up a targeted area of the community included young people, The University Bedfordshire Police and LBC.
- FGYC had a Quality Assurance inspection, which was graded as a Good.
- Facilitated six sessions on the Boom Bus to engage with young people who are Not Employment or Education (NEET).
- Working with teen parents offering support and guidance to this vulnerable group. Working alongside the Teenage Parents Group at Lewsey Children Centre.
- Working in high schools to ensure that every young person has careers information support and guidance. Also attending parents evening to give families support on future career and education choices.
- Young people gained 252 recorded outcomes and 34 Accredited outcomes.