



ROCHDALE
METROPOLITAN BOROUGH
COUNCIL

ITEM NO. CC106b

Subject: *Review of contribution to Youth Offending Team*

Cabinet Member: Councillor Sultan Ali

1. RECOMMENDATIONS / DECISION REQUESTED

1.1. It is recommended that the proposed budget proposal is agreed as a basis for consultation.

2. REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

2.1. The proposal is put forward as part of the package of measures to be adopted by Customers and Communities if its savings target is to be reached.

3. ALTERNATIVE ACTIONS CONSIDERED

3.1. The current level of funding to YOT could be retained if the saving of £30k were not to be made, but this money would need to be found from elsewhere if the Service's savings target is to be met.

4. BACKGROUND & SUMMARY

- 4.1. The Community Safety section is charged with meeting the council's statutory duty of working with partners to reduce Crime and Disorder in the Borough. As part of this duty, it commissions a range of activities from support agencies. One such activity is the Include project, which is provided by the Youth Offending team using funding of £150,000. This project is a preventative service which aims to work intensively with young people in order to minimize anti-social behaviour and prevent them engaging in crime from an early age.
- 4.2. It is proposed to reduce the funding provided by the Community Safety section by £30,000pa, from £150,000 to £120,000.

5. CONSULTATION UNDERTAKEN / REQUIRED

5.1. It will be necessary to consult with the Youth Offending Team and Greater Manchester Police.

6. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Finance has confirmed that the budgets are in place to achieve the savings quoted on this report.

6.1. Theme - Place

6.2. Proposal Title – Reduction in contribution to Youth Offending Team

6.3. Breakdown of Savings from the Service

Service Name: Customers and Communities

Area of Service: Community Safety

Cost Centre affected:

Is this a cost or additional saving: cost saving

	Savings 2013/14 £000		Savings 2014/15 £000		Savings Total £000	
	Ongoing	One Off	Ongoing	One Off	Ongoing	One Off
Employees						
Other Costs	30				30	
Income lost (Show as minus)						
Net Savings	30				30	
Additional Income Generated (show as a positive figure)						
Total Savings	30				30	
Implementation Costs						
Total Savings less Implementation Costs	30				30	

The proposed saving represents a 20% reduction in the contribution to the Youth Offending Team.

6.4 Financial Impact on another service? Yes, on the YOT

6.5 Details of the Financial Impact on another service

	Savings 2013/14 £000		Savings 2014/15 £000		Savings 2015/16 £000	
	Ongoing	One Off	Ongoing	One Off	Ongoing	One Off
Employees						
Other Costs						
Income lost (Show as minus)						
Net Savings						
Additional Income Generated (show as a positive figure)						
Total Savings						
Implementation Costs						
Total Savings less Implementation Costs	0		0		0	

6.6 Voluntary Sector Financial Impact

None

7. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

7.1 The Council has a statutory duty to exercise its various functions with due regard to the likely effect of the exercise of those functions on, and the need to do all that it reasonably can to prevent, crime and disorder in its area. This includes working with partners and other agencies. The proposed budget reduction will not prevent the council from meeting its statutory duty.

8. PERSONNEL IMPLICATIONS

8.1. The proposal within this report may have staffing implications and therefore formal consultation may be required when the full details are identified.

9. RISK ASSESSMENT IMPLICATIONS

9.1 There are no specific risk issues for members to consider arising from this report.

10. ASSET IMPLICATIONS

10.1 There are no specific risk issues for members to consider arising from this report.

11. JOINT WORKING

11.1 The funding is used to commission a service from another council service and therefore joint working will be affected.

12. EQUALITIES IMPACTS

12.1 Workforce Equality Impacts Assessment

This proposal may have staffing implications and if this is the case they will be included in a full equalities impact assessment. This analysis will be reported separately to Members when the staff are identified and the outcome of implementation is known.

12.2 Equality/Community Impact Assessments

The reduction in funding will impact on services provided to young people to minimize crime and disorder and so may have an effect on the wider community.

13. VOLUNTARY SECTOR IMPACTS

13.1 In terms of the voluntary sector, there are no significant equality/community issues arising from this report.

Background Papers	
Document	Place of Inspection
None	

There are no background papers.