



**ROCHDALE**  
METROPOLITAN BOROUGH  
**COUNCIL**

**ITEM NO. TS109**

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**Subject:** Collaborative Delivery of Youth Offending Team Services between Rochdale MBC and Bury MBC

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**Cabinet Member: Councillor Donna Martin**

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### **1. RECOMMENDATIONS / DECISION REQUESTED**

It is proposed as a basis for consultation that the Rochdale Youth Offending Team manage Bury Youth Offending Team and provide a number of integrated services, including the Triage service, across both boroughs.

### **2. REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 2.1.** The courts and the custody suites that are available to young people from Rochdale are now based in Bury, following the closure of this provision in Rochdale. It has been found to be more effective to offer a unified triage service, aimed at diverting young people towards alternatives to the criminal justice system as we are now able to achieve greater consistency in approach for young people. We have also started to offer a joint presence in court, and it is acknowledged that there is further scope to develop joint practice over the coming months.
- 2.2.** Bury MBC approached Rochdale at the end of last year to see if we would be able to lend management expertise, guidance and supervision to the Bury YOT. Bury MBC have purchased these services from Rochdale MBC, and wish to continue this arrangement for 2012/13 and potentially further into the future than that.
- 2.3.** This proposal is an income generation proposal that has already been agreed in principle by Children's Services representatives in both Rochdale and Bury. Further proposals surrounding greater efficiency and cost saving by collaborative delivery of services to young offenders and children and young people at risk of entering the criminal justice system are also being explored at this time

### **3. ALTERNATIVE ACTIONS CONSIDERED**

- 3.1.** Not applicable

### **4. BACKGROUND & SUMMARY**

- 4.1.** Joint court and police custody provision across Bury & Rochdale, has meant that Bury & Rochdale YOTs have been able to look at a joint service provision. Bury MBC have therefore commissioned Rochdale MBC to provide triage services, court support and management cover for Bury.

## 5. CONSULTATION UNDERTAKEN / REQUIRED

5.1. These working arrangements have already started to be put into place, and staff in both Rochdale and Bury are familiar with the interim working and management arrangements.

## 6. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

6.1. Critical Services

6.2. Collaborative Delivery of Youth Offending Team Services between Rochdale MBC and Bury MBC

### 6.3. Breakdown of Savings from the Service

Service Name: Children's, Schools & Families – Targeted Services

Area of Service: Youth Offending Team

Cost Centre affected: x0771

Is this a cost or additional saving:

Additional Saving via additional funding provided by neighboring local authority. This represents approximately 7% of the YOT budget.

	Savings 2013/14 £000		Savings 2014/15 £000		Total Savings £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)	75.4				75.4	
<b>Total Savings</b>	<b>75.4</b>				<b>75.4</b>	
Implementation Costs	4.0				4.0	
<b>Total Savings less Implementation Costs</b>	<b>71.4</b>				<b>71.4</b>	

6.4 Financial Impact on another service? No

6.5 Details of the Financial Impact on another service

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

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	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)				
<b>Total Savings</b>				
Implementation Costs				
<b>Total Savings less Implementation Costs</b>				

## 6.6 Voluntary Sector Financial Impact

None

## 7. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

7.1. There are no significant legal implications relating to this proposal. Thought should be given to licences to occupy and sign up to the parties internal policies especially ICT/Data Sharing.

## 8. PERSONNEL IMPLICATIONS

The proposals in this report do not have any staffing implications for the council.

## 9. RISK ASSESSMENT IMPLICATIONS

None identified

## 10. ASSET IMPLICATIONS

Suitable office space is required by the joint team in each of the partner boroughs. This space should be made available through existing stock on a reciprocal basis.

## 11. JOINT WORKING

Joint work between Bury & Rochdale.

## 12. EQUALITIES IMPACTS

No negative impact identified at this stage

### 12.1 Workforce Equality Impacts Assessment

This proposal has no staffing implications and therefore there are no workforce equality issues arising from this report.

### 12.2 Equality/Community Impact Assessments

There are no (*significant*) equality/community issues arising from this report.

## 13. VOLUNTARY SECTOR IMPACTS

13.1 There is no impact upon voluntary sector provision as a result of this proposal.

Background Papers	
Document	Place of Inspection

There are no background papers – to be reviewed Dec 2012 for plans for 2013/14.