# Appendix 2

# Ideas for Overview & Scrutiny – Scoping Paper

Title	Youth Justice Service Plan
Summary of Issue	Is the youth offending plan fit for purpose?
Request originator	Councillor Gill Mitchell
Lead officers	James Dougan/ Anna Gianfrancesco
Relevant legislation/ summary of most recent legislative changes	See 'Key Issues' below
Policy context/ summary of most recent policy changes	Youth Offending has recently completed a 12page action plan, following HMIP inspection, a peer review and staff input. A management restructure is underway, after which there will be a wholescale service review.  A Youth Justice plan has been brought to Council and signed off
Pre-decision (Yes/No)	no
Committee Work Programme (date & link)	
Key issues	Information from James Dougan, Head of Children and Families:  The following is the format of the plan that will be signed off by the Youth Justice Management Board on Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> July of the updated action plan, following on from the inspection and peer review, as well as a reorganisation as a result of the peer findings, as require of the Ministry of Justice governance arrangements.

The following is the outline of the shape and contents of the plan to be agreed:

Service description – The YOT works with children and young people and victims of crime as well as the wider community. The service includes assisting with parenting skills, multi-agency approach to community safety, providing a clear strategy for ensuring that young people and their families are responsible for their actions, a diverse range of programs that are evidence based to prevent reoffending and VFM, reparation to the victim of the offence and the community at large, support for young people who misuse drugs or alcohol and work in partnership with our colleagues to return young people not in full time education.

**Service Priorities** – we need to be clear what our main priorities are, and build the action plan strengthening around these priorities; i.e.

- o reduce reoffending in children and young people
- reduce the number of young people going into custody
- develop a restorative approach with young people and victims
- reduce the number of LAC offending.

**Service Activities and volumes** – activity levels within the team

Customer profile – this is informed by the needs assessment

#### Value for Money:

- o reduce the rate of reoffending
- reduce the number of first time entrants into the youth justice system – this is clearly green in terms of RAG rating, but also a good story for the action plan around partnership working
- o reduce the use of custodial sentences

**Strategic Partners** – description of governance arrangements and partnership working

Area context – Brighton & Hove description and profile

#### **Risk Register**

**Opportunities** – these could be both internally and externally

## **Delivering Outcomes**

- 1. What success would look like
- 2. Risks to achieving
- 3. Critical activities
- 4. Performance measures

**Workforce and people management** – we need to add this section to talk about the reorganisation and workforce development and training, and how this is crucial to implementing the strengthened service development plan.

## **Focus**

Performance data (BHLIS/CPP/ Inspection reports)	See 'Key Issues'
Key partners	
Possible outcomes	
Timetable	Action plan to be signed off by Youth Justice Management Board on Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> July  An impact plan will be presented to the children's committee in January 2013 which will review the impact of the action plan so far.
Panel/workshop/ referral	
Co-option(?)	