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Targeted youth projects (13-17 years)

We recognise that some young people have specific barriers that will stop them from engaging in our main stream youth activities. With this in mind the Youth in Localities Team offer specific issue or theme based youth projects. These projects offer more intensive, structured or gender specific personal development opportunities that aim to support young people our key outcomes.

What you can expect if you make a referral for Targeted Youth Projects

You can refer to our targeted projects at any time, if a project is already running we will place the young person on a waiting list for the next available project.

When a referral is made a youth worker will make contact with the referrer, parent, school and young person to ensure that there is consent from all parties.

Nearer the time of the project a youth worker will arrange a home visit to give more information and confirm the young person's place.

Supporting Young Peoples Engagement and dealing with challenging behaviour

Our targeted services are aimed at supporting mainly tier 2 level issues as described at the [Peterborough Safeguarding Children's Board Website](http://peterboroughlscb.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2014/10/PSCB-Threshold-Document.pdf) (<http://peterboroughlscb.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2014/10/PSCB-Threshold-Document.pdf>).

But more specifically for young people struggling with low confidence, low self-esteem, starting to show risky behaviours, who are isolated in their community.

All our targeted youth projects are led by fully qualified youth workers who are experienced in working with disengaged adolescents.

On the rare occasions when young people's behaviour is too difficult to manage in a group we will help referrers to explore alternative options for support, this could mean a referral for 1 to 1 youth mentoring, or it could be that the Youth in Localities Team services are not suitable.

1-to-1 youth mentoring (13 to 19 years)

The Youth in Localities Team's goal is to support disengaged, at risk and vulnerable young people to access personal development projects that keep them safe and support their learning. This time limited service aims to support young people to identify their own needs and create a plan of personal change, using the outcomes star distance travelled tool. Youth Workers will also aim to support young people to access youth groups to help them meet our key outcomes.

What you can expect if you make a referral for youth mentoring

You can refer for youth work mentoring at any time. When a referral is made, you can expect an e-mail confirmation that your referral has been received and a communication regarding the outcome within 2 weeks of receipt of referral.

A youth worker will be in touch with you to understand more about the work that you would like doing over the 8 to 10 session that we initially offer.

How to make a referral

Please note that all referrals to these projects require an Early Help Assessment or a Children and Families Assessment.

If you would like to make a referral, please email Yilreferrals@peterborough.gov.uk with the following information:

- > The name and date of birth of the young person
- > The Early Help Assessment or Liquid Logic Case Number (all referrals must have either an EHA or C+F assessment)
- > Brief description of the type of work that you are looking for and the outcomes that you would like for the young person.