

Response to Scrutiny Challenge Session on the Youth Service Plan

Recommendation	Response / Comments	Date	Update – October 2008
<p>R1 That a Members seminar be organised to inform Members about the JAR, Aiming high and areas raised in scrutiny review.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Funding levered in by contractors • Contracting and monitoring arrangements • Performance information and comparative data across the LAP areas • Accessibility for disabled people and what is being done to encourage participation • Future developments of youth provision and accommodation across LAP areas • Provisions made for girls 	<p>Date for Seminar confirmed for 19th June</p> <p>Briefing note QA framework – copies to be provided at Seminar</p> <p>Briefing note</p> <p>Briefing note</p> <p>My Place Strategy document to be completed</p> <p>Briefing note/Equality and Diversity Action Plan</p>	<p>19th June</p> <p>19th June 19th June</p> <p>19th June</p> <p>19th June</p> <p>July/Sept 08</p> <p>19th June</p>	<p>RECOMMENDATION FULLY IMLEMENTED</p> <p>The Members Seminar went ahead as planned on the 19th June and was well attended.</p> <p>The three briefing notes and the QA framework was distributed at the seminar and is available from Youth Services.</p> <p>The My Place strategy went to Cabinet on the 10th September and it was agreed to submit a bid to redevelop the Haileybury Youth Centre.</p> <p>Actions to increase the provision for young women have been built into the Children’s Services Gender Equality Plan. Targets have been built into the Youth Service contracts and show</p>

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<p>R2 That Members be given an opportunity to visit contractor facilities.</p>	<p>Members will have access to project visits during August as part of monitoring arrangements. Visits to providers can be arranged directly or through member's enquiries.</p>	<p>August 2008</p>	<p>year on year improvements.</p> <p>RECOMMENDATION FULLY IMLEMENTED</p> <p>Opportunities were advertised in the Members Bulletin. Two Members took up the opportunity and visited eight Positive Activities for Young People.</p>
<p>R3 That the Service should involve and consult local voluntary groups including mother tongue groups on issues around detached youth service provision.</p>	<p>6 month deployment of mobile projects to include COF, Voluntary Sector Forum and Head of Community languages.</p>	<p>Sept 2008 April 2009</p>	<p>RECOMMENDATION PARTLY IMPLEMENTED</p> <p>We will be consulting and involving the names parties when we decide the deployments for October 2008 onwards. Our Rapid Response Team is developing a Detached and Outreach Forum which will involve local voluntary groups.</p>
<p>R4 That the Service explores ways an audit can be undertaken of disabled users of youth service and how these services are publicised to the public and Members.</p>	<p>Audit undertaken JAR young inspector reviewed information, publicity and promotional activities. "Places to go, things to do" brochure to target 1000 teenagers identified. AMP website to focus on access. COO-L</p>	<p>19th June</p>	<p>RECOMMENDATION FULLY IMLEMENTED</p> <p>We are increased the funding for a range of provision, including at the Tower</p>

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	activities to be promoted to young people with LDD.		<p>Project, St. Hilda's East and through our youth work contractors. The JAR young inspectors visited a range of provision and judged it to be good.</p> <p>The new 'Places to go, Things to do' brochure has been published and will be distributed to schools in October 2008. The new AMP website will also be launched at the same time. The implementation of COO-L has been very successful and over 1300 young people are engaged.</p>
R5 That the Service continues working to put in place a mechanism to engage the Chinese and any new emerging communities	Initial meeting undertaken with CATH Chinese community actively prioritised in commissioning of mainstream grants process.	Ongoing	Meetings are continuing and we will be prioritising the Chinese community within mainstream grants for 2009/10.
R6 That in consultation with the Inter-Faith Forum, service users and staff, the Service explores how religious needs could be incorporated in youth service	Staff conference and workshop already undertaken. Youth Service ran events with the Inter Faith Forum in Inter Faith week. "All different all equal" youth work week events run in 2007	Ongoing	The next round of Preventing Violent Extremism projects is currently being commissioned.

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curriculum.	Service has appointed Hate Crime Champions PEACE and Preventing Violent Extremism project has been established.		
R7 That the Council and the youth service maximises opportunities during stock-transfer and master planning process to secure adequate youth provision.	Discussion underway in Bishopsgate and Chrisp Street.	Ongoing	We have made a presentation about youth services at the Housing Forum and have supported a range of Registered Social Landlords with developing youth provision, including East End Homes, Bethnal Green and Victoria Park Housing Association and our own Tower Hamlets Homes.
R8 That Members be involved in the development of the <i>'Aiming high for young people: a ten year strategy for positive activities'</i> in Tower Hamlets.	To be covered at Seminar (R1)	19 th June	RECOMMENDATION FULLY IMLEMENTED This was comprehensively covered in the Member's Seminar in June and a further update was given in the Cabinet paper on 10 th September.