

Youth Justice Strategy

Proposed Thematic Approach

It is proposed to frame the Strategy around five Strategic Themes, which relate to various stages of possible involvement with the Justice system for Children and Young People. It is proposed to consider one Strategic Theme at the next five meetings of the Steering Group as set out below.

1. Early Intervention
April
2. Diversion (upon contact with the Justice System)
June
3. Procedural Rights (Investigation Prosecution, Court)
September
4. Sanctions (including Detention)
October
5. Post-Detention (Re-integration)
November

Cross – Cutting Themes / Issues

There will also be a number of cross-cutting themes which will need to be addressed within the Strategy.

Consideration of each Strategic Theme should highlight specific issues in relation to these, including:

- Disproportionate Disadvantage (Children in Care, Ethnic/Minority Communities, Criminal Networks)
- Transitions (Under 12's , 18-24 years)
- Research / Data.
- System Oversight / Interagency Cooperation
- Legislative Issues