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Children & Young People's Service Activity Plan 2009- 2010



IMPROVING ACCESS AND TRANSPORT

Why is this important?

Feedback from children and young people and discussions with partners has highlighted that lack of access to services, education, training and leisure or social activities can be a major obstacle to achieving potential.

Objectives:

- 1 *To work with young people to understand the access issues they are facing and capture their suggestions to overcoming them;*
- 2 *To embed access issues as a primary consideration to any provision development across CYPS;*
- 3 *To seek sustainable access solutions wherever possible (which could contribute towards healthier lifestyles for children and young people);*
- 4 *For TCS to be the hub for transport activity to ensure arrangements are rationalised and as cost effective as possible.*

Area of Activity 1: Identify Youth Activities and Extended Services Opportunities where there are barriers to access

Specific Tasks	Resource	Lead Officer	Milestones
Map youth activities and extended services opportunities (on an area basis)	Staff time	Dillon Hughes/Philippa Court	Provision Map available and able to inform discussion regarding options to enable access by END FEBRUARY 2010

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Area of Activity 2: Identify 14-19 Activities where there are barriers to access

Specific Tasks	Resource	Lead Officer	Milestones
Map 14-19 activities (on an area basis)	Staff time	Julia Foster/ Barry Green	Provision Map available and able to inform discussion regarding options to enable access by END FEBRUARY 2010

Area of Activity 3: Audit Existing Transport Infrastructure

Specific Tasks	Resource	Lead Officer	Milestones
Build on the audit of transport infrastructure undertaken in the South Hams to audit other areas - align areas with provision maps for Youth, Extended and 14-19 activities so areas can be considered holistically	Staff time	Bruce Thompson/ Damien Jones	Transport infrastructure mapped and options identified to support provision in activities 1 and 2 by END FEBRUARY 2010

Area of Activity 4: Identify sustainable access solutions

Specific Tasks	Resource	Lead Officer	Milestones
Identify sustainable access solutions where provision exists but access is a barrier and existing infrastructures cannot be utilised.	Staff time	Peter Gimber/ Sue Mountjoy (Alison Macgregor)	Sustainable access solutions identified and costed by END MAY 2010

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Area of Activity 5 : Cost additional transport provision to support access

Specific Tasks	Resource	Lead Officer	Milestones
Identify areas where provision exists but transport is a barrier and existing infrastructures cannot be utilised and there is no sustainable solution.	Staff time	Dillon Hughes/ Philippa Court / Julia Foster / Bruce Thompson	Additional transport provision mapped and costed by END JULY 2010

Area of Activity 6: Engaging Children and Young People

Specific Tasks	Resource	Lead Officer	Milestones
Identify a strategy for engaging cyp in identifying access issues and their ideas for overcoming them	Staff time	Lisa Boon/ Damien Jones	Cyp voices heard in identifying barriers and their ideas for overcoming them considered and delivered where feasible by END DECEMBER 2009

Area of Activity 7: Rationalise existing transport arrangements across services to children and young people (CYPS, Health)

Specific Tasks	Resource	Lead Officer	Milestones
Identify pupils where education and social care transport is being provided and see if there is scope for rationalisation	Staff time	Bruce Thompson/ Damien Jones	Pilot 10 cyp who receive education and social care transport to see whether it can be rationalised by END JANUARY 2010

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Area of Activity 8: Ensure the work of the 14-19 Transport Partnership supports extended access

Specific Tasks	Resource	Lead Officer	Milestones
Receive a report and agree joint action at each Project Group meeting of the work undertaken by the 14-19 transport partnership	Staff time	Susan Robbins (Damien Jones)	Reports received at EACH MEETING

Area of Activity 9: Continue to Support Independent Travel Training Programme

Specific Tasks	Resource	Lead Officer	Milestones
Continue to support the ongoing ITT programme operated by TCS	Scheme costs £XXXX per year to run as at August 2009	Lisa Boon/ Damien Jones	Funding secured for 2010/11 academic year by MARCH 2010

Area of Activity 10: Roll out of the ESS Disadvantage Subsidy taking account of access issues

Specific Tasks	Resource	Lead Officer	Milestones
Through roll out of the subsidy identify access issues and seek to resolve them through TCS to ensure rationalised and safe arrangements	Staff Time	Philippa Court	TIMESCALE?

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Risk Management

Identify the risks associated with achieving the objectives. Describe how the risks are to be managed and monitored under Business Continuity Intentions column. Calculate the likelihood and potential impact (Risk score) where 1 is unlikely to occur or low impact if it does occur and 5 is expected to occur and catastrophic if it does occur. Complete the risk table below as example. Only register here if risk over 15

Example: Likelihood 4 x Impact 5 = 20

Identified Risk	Business Continuity Intentions or measures to address risk identified	Risk score
Fuel costs rise which impact on existing transport infrastructures and flexibility to support extended access	TCS to monitor fuel costs and impact on contract arrangements.	16
Ongoing reductions to School/College transport budgets which necessitate ongoing route reviews and therefore removal of excess capacity which will potentially impact on ability to extend access within existing resources	Flag up during budget preparation the impact of further reductions on delivering extended access in line with CYPP priorities within existing resources	25
14-19 provision, extended services provision and youth provision make localised transport arrangements which remove opportunities for rationalisation/flexibility to extend access	Encourage providers to arrange transport through TCS to achieve rationalisation and cost effective arrangements	20
Additional resources required to deliver extended access are not made available by members	Flag up as part of budget preparation Flag up within CYPs MTFP	20
Independent Travel Training programme is no longer supported	Seek to identify sustainable funding sources when Post 16 transport funding via LSC ceases	15
Cultural resistance to use of public transport by parents, schools and cyp	Promote the benefits of sustainable transport solutions	15

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Performance Management

Identify the performance measures associated with achieving the objectives These can be inputs, outputs and outcome measures. All local measures described will need to be set up in SPAR.net. A template is available if measures are not currently reported through SPAR.net, (contact julie.mitchell@devon.gov.uk).

National/ Local	Performance Measures/ indicators	Target 2009/10 (if appropriate)	Responsible Officer
Local	% of schools who have a school travel plan		Peter Gimber/ Sue Mountjoy
Local	Number of schools running 14-19 diplomas planning transport solutions via 14-19 Transport Coordinator		Barry Green/ Julia Foster
Local	Number of cyp undertaking ITT and potential savings to CYPS as a result		Bruce Thompson/ Damien Jones
Local	Feedback received from cyp on access issues		Lisa Boon/ Damien Jones
Local	Number of cyp receiving ESS disadvantage subsidy with access issues that have been overcome		Philippa Court/ Damien Jones
Local	Number of cyp for whom sustainable access solutions identified and potential savings to CYPS as a result		Peter Gimber/ Damien Jones

Final checklist:

Have you addressed all **green issues** related to the delivery of these actions?

Have you identified how the **voices of children and young people** will be heard and how this will impact on improved delivery?

Have you identified and planned for **equality and diversity** implications arising from your proposed activities?