

**Open Report on behalf of Debbie Barnes, Executive Director of Children's Services**

Report to:	<b>Children and Young People Scrutiny Committee</b>
Date:	<b>19 October 2012</b>
Subject:	<b>Progress Report and Action Plan on the Youth and Community Development Worker Model within Locality Teams</b>

**Summary:**

This paper gives further update on progress with developing Youth and Community activity in Lincolnshire and updates the Children and Young People Scrutiny Committee on current service delivery.

Children's Services are continuing to work with community, schools and voluntary sector partners to ensure that a wide range of positive activities are available for young people to access. As part of the Core Offer work, Children's Services established a new role of Youth and Community Development Worker whose duties are to enable communities to take over and set up a range of positive activities for young people.

As part of the transition to this model of service delivery, Youth Centres are currently still operational one night a week through Lincolnshire County Council. We are also working hard and are in the process of developing community engagement to ensure continuity of service provision.

There is positive engagement in a number of locations, where community based stakeholders have either begun delivery of positive activities for young people or have submitted proposals to explore taking further responsibilities in respect of buildings and management of provision.

This report shall also update Members on the development of the Youth Offer in respect of where the Youth & Community Development Work model is placed within the Lincolnshire response to Positive for Youth.

**This interim report is to inform the Children and Young People Scrutiny Committee of the up to date developments.**

**Actions Required:**

The Children and Young People Scrutiny Committee is asked to comment on the contents of this report.

## 1. Background

### Context

Children's Services are continuing to work with communities, schools and voluntary sector partners to ensure that a wide range of positive activities are available for young people to access. As part of the Core Offer work, Children's Services established a new role, that of the Youth and Community Development Worker whose duties are to enable communities to take over and set up a range of positive activities for young people.

We are now actively engaged in formal discussions with a number of organisations about the long term management of our youth centres across Lincolnshire. To date we are engaged with over 24 groups across Lincolnshire, equating to more than 60% of all of our youth centres, and through these discussions we are close to agreeing the terms of transfer of responsibilities. In addition we are still receiving proposals in regard to our other youth centres.

All of this has taken place whilst the range of activity available for young people has also increased, with many organisations already delivering over and above the one night a week that have continued to be delivered by Children's Services.

**Please note:** to date no lease agreements have been signed and therefore no group has formally taken over management of premises as yet.

A Development Fund for voluntary and community organisations to develop further youth and positive activities which was launched in January of this year. To date we have allocated £136,033.18, and approved a further £90,000 for use by voluntary and community sector groups in enhancing their delivery of positive activities for young people. We are also awaiting further bids.

We have refreshed our arrangements in respect of support for the increase in positive activities and have also increased the level of grant aid funding provided to LCVYS (from c£60,000pa to £100,000pa), and maintained our commitment to fund the LCVYS Development Officer post to support this expected increase in activity.

We are also working with LCVYS on the development and delivery of introductory training for individuals and groups wishing to work with young people. This training will form part of a pathway for the voluntary sector children's workforce, and includes elements that link to the key standards for the delivery of positive activities for young people. In addition we are also working with Children's Links on the roll out and delivery of the Volunteer Card programme.

Additional strands to the Youth & Community Work model include FairPlay Football, Positive Futures and Project Respect. These programmes are delivered within communities across Lincolnshire, developing voluntary engagement, and targeting those young people at risk of becoming involved in anti-social behaviour.

Below is an update in relation to the progress made in respect of individual centres and the requested action plan on the Youth and Community Development Worker Model within Locality Teams.

**Progress of Individual Centres – (Sept 2012 Update)**

**Lincoln / North Kesteven**

**St. Giles Youth Centre**

April 2012	<p>An initial stakeholder group has been formed which is currently working on submitting a request for a development grant. They have looked to include new areas of activity, such as a community garden which can be utilised by the young people; this will be supported through an externally funded gardener for 2 hours per week. A social enterprise is also on the stakeholder group, interested in supporting the centre through using its facilities to build a business, run and support sessions for young people.</p> <p>We are working with local Make a Difference group on an additional delivery evening session and supporting the group to meet baseline standards</p>
Sept 2012 update	<p>The core offer has been withdrawn to enable staff to support the Make a Difference group in the delivery of their open access youth club. Crunchy Munchies is a social enterprise that already runs a successful girls group in the centre on Tuesdays. They want to expand their delivery of positive activities for young people but not to take on the management of the premises. They have a business idea to fund the work and are proposing the use the kitchen in the centre to do this. Further information is needed regarding the level of funding likely to be generated over and above that needed to support positive activities so as to be able to ascertain any implications for State Aid. Crunchy Munchies submitted a successful application for development funding.</p>

**Birchwood Youth Centre**

April 2012	<p>An initial stakeholder group has been formed to prepare the development grant bid. There is interest from a variety of partners to use the centre and support the running costs, but at moment no offers from anyone to take on the delivery of positive activities. The development grant bid will focus around the development of the stakeholder group to include more local people and a plan to develop the use of the centre and positive activities for young people.</p>
Sept 2012 update	<p>The core offer is still being delivered at the centre on Tuesdays. Birchwood Access and Training Centre (BATC) have had their management proposal and grant application approved but additional information has been requested regarding the</p>

	sustainability plan and a detailed breakdown of the intended use of the grant. They already have volunteers willing to support the delivery of positive activities and groups wanting to use the building for community activities. BATC is concerned about the state of the toilets and have asked that these be improved before they enter into a lease agreement.
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### **Lincoln Youth Matters Youth Centre**

April 2012	A community interest company (CIC) is interested in taking on the delivery of positive activities within the centre, linking up with Sudbrooke Drive Community Centre on Ermine East. The CIC will be supported by volunteers from Bishop Grosseteste University College. We continue to explore potential for the leisure centre to run additional activities at the centre which will generate additional income for the centre
Sept 2012 update	The core offer is still being delivered on Fridays. Active Nation submitted a successful management proposal and their intentions are to deliver sports based activities targeted at young people; alongside this Jestival, a community interest company, will deliver generic youth activities, drama and art. Discussions are now underway regarding negotiating a lease agreement. Jestival submitted a successful application for development funding. The centre is currently used for targeted group work when required.

### **Moorland Youth Centre**

April 2012	The City Council is preparing a bid for the development grant to help support the current positive activities and expand further. Positive Futures run their sessions alongside the 'open access' youth club run by the Youth & Community Development worker. Partnership organisations are also committed to training local volunteers to provide long term additional resource
Sept 2012 update	This is not an LCC property. The core offer was withdrawn in March. The Neighbourhood Manager (City of Lincoln Council) submitted a successful application for a development grant to support and expand positive activities. Positive Futures run regular sessions at the centre, making use of the outdoor sports area. Partnership organisations are also committed to training local volunteers as part of the plan, which will provide longer term additional resource that will help sustainability.

### **Branston Youth Centre**

April 2012	The youth club is currently run in the Youth Wing, which belongs to the Branston Community Academy. A bid is being prepared for the development fund with a plan to establish a steering group to develop positive activities further within Branston and in the future, the wider area. The preferred option for the stakeholders remains working in partnership with the school whilst identifying additional local delivery options
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Sept 2012 update	The core offer is still being delivered on Mondays. Jim O'Hara (LCVYS) and the Reverend Parkin have submitted a successful management proposal and development fund application in partnership. They now have other interested parties wishing to join them on a positive activities steering group. The focus is to take on the core offer and expand delivery, including Duke of Edinburgh and a Young Enterprise scheme. The preferred option for stakeholders remains working in partnership with the school whilst identifying local delivery options.
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### North Hykeham Youth Centre

April 2012	There is a very strong stakeholder group interested in taking over the building and the positive activities for young people. They are preparing a bid for the development grant to support the formalisation of the group and the development of positive activities. While further work needs doing on taking over the core offer, the group are willing to form a volunteer group to support Youth & Community Development team
Sept 2012 update	The core offer is still being delivered on Wednesdays. A management proposal from the Scouts was declined because of lack of commitment to the core offer and open access provision. There was also a risk of current positive activities at the centre being displaced. There has been some interest from the Diocese in the development of a group of volunteers to run open access positive activities but this is in the very early stages.

### Ruskington Youth Centre

April 2012	The current youth centre management committee are proposing to restructure and bid for the development grant possibly taking over the building at a later date.
Sept 2012 update	The core offer is still being delivered on Tuesdays. This is a successful club supported by volunteers. A youth centre management committee has been formed from the former stakeholder group to oversee the development of the facilities, including liaising with the original youth club management committee responsible for youth club delivery. Their initial management proposal and development funding application have been declined because of lack of detail but re-submission in the near future is anticipated. The youth club management committee has successfully set up a junior youth club on Mondays with the support of the Youth & Community Development Team.

### Skellingthorpe Youth Centre

April 2012	The current centre management committee understand the need for positive activities and already provide several opportunities for young people. They are keen to take over the 'open access' youth night as they see it as very important for
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	the young people of Skellingthorpe. Children Services continue to support this provision.
Sept 2012 update	This is not an LCC property. The core offer is still being delivered on Thursdays. The current centre management committee understands the need for positive activities for young people and already provide several opportunities for young people through LACN. They are keen to take over the open access youth night and will be supported by the Youth & Community Development Team over the next few months.

### **Sleaford Youth Centre (Combined Children's Centre)**

April 2012	This centre is co-located with a children's centre, the youth centre rooms are utilised by the children's centre during the day. The New Life Church are keen to move their current provision to the youth centre and expand to offer an additional night at a later date. They are also committed to joining forces with other organisations to create a foundation for positive activities for all young people in Sleaford. Joint delivery with Children's Services will commence in April while baseline standards are established
Sept 2012 update	New Life Church Ministries (NLCM) currently deliver positive activities from the premises one night per week under a hiring agreement. They recently submitted a successful development fund application and are hoping to expand their offer to an additional night in the near future. The core offer is still being delivered at the Youth Centre on Wednesdays but this is due to be withdrawn, with NLCM taking this over on Fridays. No further action required.

### **Waddington Youth Centre**

April 2012	The Waddington Parish Council have expressed interest in taking over the organisation of positive activities for young people, liaising with other organisations and volunteers who can act on their behalf. The council are also interested in taking over the building which can be used to generate income during the day to support evening provision for young people. They already lease part of the building as their parish office
Sept 2012 update	The core offer is still being delivered on Tuesdays. Waddington Parish Council has expressed an interest in purchasing the premises at the market value. This is currently being progressed with Property Services.

### **East Lindsey / West Lindsey**

#### **The Valley (TVA) Youth Centre**

April 2012	Trent Valley Academy are currently managing this provision. We are working in partnership in relation to developing broader positive activities across Gainsborough.
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Sept 2012 update	A management proposal from the Trent Valley Academy has been approved. They will take over the running of the building and have agreed to accommodate LCC staff at no cost; A report has been prepared for the Assistant Director and is now awaiting comments from Legal Services and Finance before it can be signed off. Once this process has been completed, a lease will be prepared for a 10 year period.
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### **Mablethorpe Youth Centre**

April 2012	The school have expressed their support for taking the management (as well as asset transfer) of the building and will fund a youth worker to deliver the core offer session.
Sept 2012 update	There have been no expressions of interest from community groups. The youth centre is on the Tennyson School site. However, Tennyson School has merged with Louth Cordeaux to become an academy. LCC want to retain the youth centre for exclusive use. Part of the centre has been fitted out with music equipment. JS will speak with the Head in September regarding the use of the building and whether or not the Academy will take over the delivery of positive activities from the building.

### **Skegness Youth Centre**

April 2012	We have received the management proposal documentation and are working to relocate Children's Services staff to enable this to be implemented.
Sept 2012 update	A management proposal by Skegness Youth Committee has been approved. LCC staff may need to remain in the building in the short term. Heads of Terms have been drafted but not yet agreed by the group. LCC has offered to contribute to 80% of the utilities; this arrangement will be reviewed annually based on the level of usage of the building.

### **Bardney Youth Centre**

April 2012	We are currently working with Bardney Primary School and Bardney Parish Council on deliver models as both have expressed interest in working with us on this
Sept 2012 update	Two proposals have been received for the management of the youth centre: one from Bardney development Group and one from Bardney Primary School. These will be presented at the next panel meeting.

### **Cherry Willingham Youth Centre**

April 2012	Cherry Willingham School expressed interest in youth centre management however, due to pursuing academy status they are unable to commit to the full management until at least January 2013. The youth committee is constituted and the Youth & Community Development Worker is seeking wider community participation. Off the Bench currently support LCC
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	to deliver youth provision at this facility and have been approached to continue the full delivery for at least one year. Following this, the school would potentially be in a position to increase its involvement.
Sept 2012 update	A management proposal from the Cherry Willingham Youth Centre Management Committee has been approved. The Head of Cherry Willingham has confirmed that the necessary lease agreement has been signed on their part and so progress can now be made with agreeing Heads of Terms with the Cherry Willingham Youth centre Management Committee.

### **Cuboid, Caistor Youth Centre**

April 2012	The youth centre was asset transferred to Caistor Yarborough Academy (agreement dated 17 <sup>th</sup> August 2011)
Sept 2012 update	The youth centre is part of Caistor Yarborough school. The site was part of a license to occupy agreement (statutory asset transfer) August 2011 for 125 years. In permitted use of the building it makes it clear that this should be for positive activities. School do not want to provide this as they cannot commit staffing resources but are happy for LCC to keep delivering the services. Any group taking this over would have an agreement directly with the school rather than with LCC. YC&DW is setting up a meeting in September with Caistor Yarborough, Caistor Grammar, district council, parish council and community volunteers to discuss way forward.

### **North Kelsey Youth Centre**

April 2012	We have undertaken community consultation and they have committed to support the delivery of youth provision with the support of funding form the development grant.
Sept 2012 update	The centre is owned by the village Hall committee and is a management committee lead youth club. North Kelsey Management Committee will continue to lead and run the youth club and delivery of positive activities. The Y&CDW has expressed concerns to the North Kelsey Management Committee that even with numerous meetings and her support that to date no 'Positive Activities' funding bid has been put forward from the group. A meeting has now been set for Friday 7th of the September with the Y&CDW to look over what the group have put together over the summer. It is anticipated that this will be put forward formally no later than Mid September. One Y&CA has already been withdrawn from the club.

### **Wainfleet Youth Centre**

April 2012	This facility is unable to be used at present due to unsuitability but the Youth & Community Development staff are developing wider provision in Wainfleet.
Sept 2012 update	There is currently no youth provision at the building; this is delivered from an alternative site in North Wainfleet. There is a



	query over whether or not the building is going to be part of an asset transfer to Wainfleet School, which is becoming an Academy. The outdoor court will transfer as it is not currently used. The building is shared with the Children's centre.
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### Horncastle Youth Centre

April 2012	Two separate groups have expressed a formal interest in taking the management of the building and support has been given to enable a business proposal to be submitted.
Sept 2012 update	A management proposal by the Horncastle Youth Centre Committee (link with Judo Club) was accepted. Heads of Terms have been drafted but not yet agreed. JS has instructed Property to re-draft following discussions with the group.

### Woodhall Spa Youth Centre

April 2012	The Parish council have driven forward and facilitated two community meetings which have been well attended by both young people and adults. A management committee is in the process of being formed and partnerships formed with other community groups. Various volunteers have already come forward to continue to deliver core offer sessions
Sept 2012 update	<p>A public meeting was organised before Easter by the Parish Council to 'Save our Youth Club'. A meeting was organised that attracted about 30 people including several families with teenage children. Most of those present had no previous connection with the Youth club. Our County Councillor and one of the District Councillors also attended, as did members of the LA Youth Service Team who contributed to the meeting and were very supportive.</p> <p>The outcomes from this meeting were really positive with a steering group of adults and young people established to plan a future for the club and a management committee to take responsibility for its operation.</p> <p>The newly rebranded Young Union @ the Hub opened on 23 April 2012. By June over 40 young people had registered as members, with between 20 to 30 attending on a typical club night. A programme of positive activities was delivered over the summer holidays with 20 young people attending over the week. This was heavily subsidised with some of the positive activities £10k that the club had been awarded.</p> <p>Currently, we have one LCC Youth Worker who continues to offer support on one evening per week.</p> <p>The group submitted a successful application for the development fund. LCC is currently awaiting details of profiled spend so that an agreement can be drawn up.</p>

### Conningsby Youthworx

April 2012	There has been interest from 1 x volunteer and the RAF to support the delivery of existing provision
Sept 2012 update	A management proposal by Coningsby & Tattershall Lions was postponed and following discussions, they plan to re-submit during the next two weeks. The Lions wish to take over the management of the building but the positive activities will be delivered by Airplay. The volunteers will be managed by The Lions, who have experience of running a community building.

### Louth Youth Centre

April 2012	13+ Project have – with extensive discussions and support from Children's Services expressed their intention to consider taking the management of the youth centre.
Sept 2012 update	A management proposal by the 13+ Project was accepted. Heads of Terms were discussed mid-September. Property Services are in the process of completing the first draft.

### Keelby Youth Centre

April 2012	Keelby have had two public meetings to move forward with establishing a management group. The group have volunteers who have committed to support the delivery of provision and we are expecting a management proposal.
Sept 2012 update	A management proposal from the Keelby Youth Club Management Committee has been approved. However, the property is joined to a library that is undergoing a similar review. This may have implications for progressing the youth centre. There has been little recent communication with the group and LCC is awaiting confirmation of a date to discuss Heads of Terms.

### Sturton By Stow Youth Centre

April 2012	The existing youth centre management group have expressed their desire to continue youth provision. We are currently in negotiation over this proposal.
Sept 2012 update	Sturton by Stow Youth Centre does not want to take responsibility for running the building but is interested in delivering positive activities. There is some space shared with the Children's Centre. The proposal is to offer this rent free until 31/3/12. Approval is for the group not to take on the management of the building but to deliver positive activities. The school want to increase utility cost shares which will have a budgetary implication for LCC departments. A peppercorn rent will be offered until 31/3/12. The group will occupy the building on a license agreement.

### Market Rasen Youth Centre (*NB Leased from school*)

April 2012	De Aston school currently deliver one night per week provision with a dedicated worker, and expressed their commitment for delivering two nights, with a potential third night delivery on a
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	different site in Market Rasen town centre (away from school site)
Sept 2012 update	<p>The 'Market Rasen Youth Project' has applied for and been successful in gaining the management of Positive Activities within Market Rasen. The Youth Project will not only deliver Positive Activities from the youth centre but will also develop a wider range of activities for young people from other venues within the town.</p> <p>The centre is part of De Aston School owned by Market Rasen De Aston School who are fully supporting the plans.</p> <p>The handover plan is as follows. To promote the quality of youth work delivery and safeguarding standards whilst ensuring a smooth and safe transition for both the young people and members of the youth project, from 10th until 24th September members and volunteers of the Youth Project will work alongside the Y&amp;CDT on each core delivery session. On the 24th of September there will be a celebration event with the formal handover process on the 1st October. From the 1st of October, one Y&amp;CA will be withdrawn whilst one Y&amp;CA will remain up to a further 4 weeks depending on the need of the group. This Y&amp;CA will continue to support Market Rasen's wider steering group.</p> <p>The Y&amp;CDW be part of the Market Rasen Steering Group to support and promote positive activities within Market Rasen and area</p>

### Wragby Youth Centre

April 2012	The plan is for the existing youth centre management group to combine with Wragby sports centre group to create a partnership which can manage the whole site. The discussions are led by the parish council who have offered their full support.
Sept 2012 update	A management proposal by Wragby Youth Centre Trust has been approved. The initial meeting to discuss the Heads of Terms has been held. There is an issue with an existing lease agreement involving the Trust and Sports Hall. Property Services is working on resolving this.

### Alford Youth Centre

April 2012	The Alford Access Centre have been working in partnership with staff at the youth centre and have already contacted the Town Council and have an agreement in place to hire the Corn Exchange twice weekly (Mondays and Fridays) for youth provision. Provision now running from the Corn Exchange. This provision is run by the access centre (New Life Christian fellowship).
Sept 2012 update	Alford ran its last session from the John Spendluffe school site on Friday 16th December 2011. The school now have full

	possession of the site. The club re-opened on Friday 6th January 2012 for the first session after the Christmas/New Year break and ran from The Corn Exchange in Alford. New Life Christian Fellowship has taken responsibility for all the youth work sessions in Alford. The group made a successful bid for the £10K.
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### **North Somercotes Youth Centre**

April 2012	The school have confirmed their intent for taking management of the facility but wish to work with the community to deliver the session therefore they need to recruit volunteers.
Sept 2012 update	Birkbeck School has expressed an interest in managing the building and have requested the documents. The deadline for submission is 31 <sup>st</sup> October 2012.

### **Welton Youth Centre**

April 2012	William Farr School have expressed their desire to take the management of the building, whilst being accountable to a community steering group. Budget set aside for a dedicated youth and community worker who will both manage the youth centre and develop provision in Welton.  A management proposal is currently being completed. Further consultation with wider community to establish appropriate activities and provision is needed.
Sept 2012 update	A management proposal from William Farr School has been accepted. A first draft of the Heads of terms has been sent to the school for approval. LCC has committed to paying the land rental of £3,000 per annum as stated in the land lease.

### **Boston / South Holland / South Kesteven**

#### **Focus 1 Youth Centre**

April 2012	There have been proposals submitted in respect of Focus 1 Youth Centre.  A proposal form has been received from NACRO. They are also looking at the possibility of combining a user group within their proposal. All other stakeholders have been informed of the proposal providing them with an opportunity to comment.
Sept 2012 update	A management proposal submitted by the Focus 1 User Group was approved and discussions with Property Services began regarding the Heads of Terms for the lease. However, there is currently no agreement on which legal entity will sign the lease and some of the original group members have withdrawn. LCC has 6 TYSAs and a p/t BS. LCC's preference is for them to remain but this needs to be agreed with the group.

### Carlton Road Youth Centre

April 2012	A Community Partnership Group have confirmed their intension to take an active role in the delivery of positive activities in this area - They are also applying for the Development grant
Sept 2012 update	A management proposal by the Boston Young People's Partnership (BYPP) has been approved. The group submitted a successful development fund application, which is being administered by one of the member organisations, Taylorltx. At present, however, no lease can be put in place as the title document for the building is missing. Legal Services have been instructed to make the necessary application to the Land Registry to obtain this document.

### Wrangle Youth Centre

April 2012	This centre has always been a voluntary project run by the Bonsor family with Children's Services Support. They open one night a week (Fridays). We have continued to support this group in accessing funding, joining LCVYS, and developing their network in the local voluntary sector. This group is now running independently of the Youth and Community Team; however we are continuing contact and forwarding any appropriate information to them.
Sept 2012 update	Wrangle Youth Centre submitted a successful application for development funding.

### Spalding Youth Centre

April 2012	There are three bids that have now been submitted for the handover of Spalding Youth Centre. We are currently assessing these proposals to establish if there is any potential for consortia working in respect of Spalding Youth Centre.
Sept 2012 update	A management proposal by the Limelight Youth Theatre was approved. There is a query regarding who will sign the lease, although this is likely to be Polkadot Ltd. Heads of Terms have been prepared, but there are capital spend issues to be resolved prior to and sign of lease.

### Holbeach Youth Centre

April 2012	Holbeach Youth Centre is progressing and there is a management committee which consists of the existing management committee of the youth centre, the trustees of the sports hall and other interested parties. There is a proposal to merge the groups into one single management committee which could then take over the charitable status already in place. A business plan has been written and had been submitted along with a bid for the Development grant.
Sept 2012 update	A management proposal from the Holbeach Youth Centre Trust has been approved. LCC has let the building to the Trustees of Holbeach Youth Centre for 50 years (until 2037). LCC have leased the building back in order to deliver services. The Trustees have submitted a management proposal to take over

	<p>the running of the building and to develop positive activities. The simplest option, therefore, is for LCC to renegotiate the Head Lease agreement, which would then leave the Trustees leasing the building from LCC. However, this would have to be done with the Trustees' agreement as there is no break clause in the sub lease. The agreement is on a peppercorn rent. It appears that the Parish Council is also renting part of the building and wish to continue to do so.</p>
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### Deepings Youth Centre

April 2012	The United Deepings Charities on behalf of Deepings Youth Centre is lodging an expression of interest along with a bid for the Development grant.
Sept 2012 update	A management proposal by Deeping Youth Centre Charitable Trust has been approved. The Y&CDW and Property colleagues are meeting with the Trustees of the group to progress this.

### Bourne Youth Centre

April 2012	<p>Bourne Youth Centre Management Committee has now declined the offer of taking over the management of the youth centre. However we are currently in talks with Teen Zone who are interested in taking over the youth centre.</p> <p>The Bourne Youth Centre management committee and TeenZone are both looking at putting in a bid for the development grant.</p>
Sept 2012 update	A management proposal by Not All Bad (NAB) has been approved. NAB want to rent out the larger of two offices; as this would be for commercial purposes, full market rent would have to be charged. Legal Services have confirmed that NAB can rent out the larger of the two offices for commercial purposes but they will be required to charge market value rent and the surplus income, i.e. after costs, will have to be invested in the development and delivery of positive activities for the community. There will need to be a system for auditing this to ensure there is no illegal State Aid.

### Earlsfield Youth Centre

April 2012	<p>This centre is the base for the Foundation Learning programme and as such is not appropriate for community management. However there are significant links with the community centre management committee and the potential for positive activities within the centre to be coordinated by them.</p> <p>In addition Action for Young Carers have advised that they will be putting in a bid for the development grant support positive activities for young carers to be operated from the centre.</p>
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Sept 2012 update	No current interest in taking over the management of the building. However, the building is currently used for the delivery of the Foundation Learning Programme for young people.
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**Grantham Youth Centre**

April 2012	This centre is being used almost to capacity by a variety of groups.
Sept 2012 update	No current interest in taking over the management of the building, but provision within the centre is at capacity through community led groups.

**Action Plan on the Youth and Community Development Worker Model within Locality Teams**

<b>Need</b>	<b>Target</b>	<b>Activity</b>	<b>Due Date</b>	<b>Rating</b>
Active community engagement to develop community led proposals for the management and delivery of youth provision from LCC Youth Centres	Community groups engaged on the development of proposals for 75% of Youth Centres.	Youth & Community Development Teams engaged with voluntary and/or community groups. Liaison with LCVYS and Children's Links. Provision of training & support.	Sept 2012	
	50% of Youth Centres to be subject to formal discussions with Community/Voluntary groups regards Lease arrangements.	Property and Legal Services engaged to negotiate Heads of Terms. On-going engagement between Y&CDW Teams and Community Groups.	Sept 2012	
	75% of Youth Centres to be subject to formal discussions with Community/Voluntary groups regards Lease arrangements.	Property and Legal Services engaged to negotiate Heads of Terms. On-going engagement between Y&CDW Teams and Community Groups.	March 2013	
Community led positive activities to be managed and delivered within LCC Youth Centres	50% of Youth Centres to have agreed Head of Terms Lease arrangements.	Heads of Terms Lease arrangements approved	March 2013	
	75% of Youth Centres to have agreed Head of Terms Lease arrangements.	Heads of Terms Lease arrangements approved	Sept 2013	
Youth & Community Development Teams to be actively working in communities with no current youth provision.	Staff released from delivering one night per week within 25% of LCC Centres, as the Community/Voluntary sector take on delivery.	Community Groups supported by Y&CDW Teams to deliver positive activities for young people. On-going contact support.	Sept 2012	
	Staff released from delivering one night per week within 50% of LCC Centres, as the Community/Voluntary sector take on delivery.	Community Groups supported by Y&CDW Teams to deliver positive activities for young people. On-going contact support.	March 2013	
	Staff released from delivering one night per week within 75% of LCC Centres, as the Community/Voluntary sector take on delivery.	Community Groups supported by Y&CDW Teams to deliver positive activities for young people. On-going contact support.	Sept 2013	



## **2. Conclusion**

In conclusion, progress in developing the capacity of the community and voluntary sector to engage within the provision and management of positive activities for young people continues to be positive. Heads of Terms (Lease arrangements) discussions are now taking place and are being held with sensitivity to the community groups involved whilst still protecting the interests of Children and Young People and LCC assets held for this purpose.

## **3. Consultation**

### **a) Policy proofing Actions required**

Whilst the nature of delivery will be different, it is not anticipated that there will be any adverse changes to services. It is expected that with this new model of delivery a greater range and volume of positive activities will be made available to young people, not only in the locations where we have existing centres, but also in other areas where Children's Services have had limited or no presence to date.

An Impact Assessment is being undertaken in line with developments at each individual centre.

## **4. Background Papers**

No background papers within Section 100D of the Local Government Act 1972 were used in the preparation of this report.

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