

Briefing note

Universal Youth Budget Review update

South Gloucestershire Council's Children and Young People Committee has agreed to renew the Positive Activities Subsidy (PAS) for a further three years, but at a reduced level.

Under the new arrangements, this will provide £250,000 PAS in year one, £225,000 in year two and £150,000 in year three. The scheme will run from 1 April 2016 until 31 March 2019. No commitments have been made beyond that date.

In the meantime, to enable some youth provision to continue from 1 April 2016, interim funding from the 2016/17 PAS allocation has been granted using criteria agreed by the committee. This funding is for one year and those providers awarded interim funds are being informed this week.

The committee also asked officers to work with providers to explore alternative models for delivering youth services. This work will take place in the coming months and will include how PAS funds will be allocated in the remaining two years for 2017/18 and 2018/19.

The aim is a better use of available resources through stronger partnership working, by the council with services providers and between service providers. Service providers who have not been awarded interim funding may therefore be able to apply for and receive money from the PAS in the future depending on the model agreed.

The reductions in PAS funding forms part of the Council Savings Programme which seeks to save a further £35million by 2019-20.

A copy of the full report that was considered by the Children and Young People's Committee can be found [here](#) (item 12 of the agenda).

Contact:

Gerri Palfreeman
Service Manager for Preventative Services
South Gloucestershire Council
Tel: 01454 863152

Email: geri.palfreeman@southglos.gov.uk