

Children, Young People and Family Support Scrutiny and Policy Development Committee

Monday 28 September 2015 at 1.00 pm

To be held at the Town Hall, Pinstone Street, Sheffield, S1 2HH

The Press and Public are Welcome to Attend

Membership

Councillors Chris Rosling-Josephs (Chair), Nasima Akther, John Booker, Katie Condliffe, Steve Jones, Aodan Marken, Mohammad Maroof, Karen McGowan, Pat Midgley, Chris Peace, Lynn Rooney, Colin Ross, Ian Saunders, Jack Scott and Cliff Woodcraft (Deputy Chair)

Education Non-Council Members

Gillian Foster, Jules Jones, Joan Stratford and Alison Warner

Healthwatch Sheffield

Alice Riddell (Observer)

Substitute Members

In accordance with the Constitution, Substitute Members may be provided for the above Committee Members as and when required.

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**CHILDREN, YOUNG PEOPLE AND FAMILY SUPPORT SCRUTINY AND POLICY
DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE AGENDA
28 SEPTEMBER 2015**

Order of Business

- 1. Welcome and Housekeeping Arrangements**
- 2. Apologies for Absence**
- 3. Exclusion of Public and Press**
To identify items where resolutions may be moved to exclude the press and public
- 4. Declarations of Interest** (Pages 1 - 4)
Members to declare any interests they have in the business to be considered at the meeting
- 5. Minutes of Previous Meeting** (Pages 5 - 14)
To approve the minutes of the meetings of Committee held on 20th July, 2015, and to note the attached Actions Update
- 6. Public Questions and Petitions**
To receive any questions or petitions from members of the public
- 7. Road Safety for Children and Young People in Sheffield** (Pages 15 - 38)
Report of the Director of Regeneration and Development Services
- 8. Children and Families Act 2014** (Pages 39 - 48)
Report of the Executive Director, Children, Young People and Families
- 9. Work Programme 2015/16** (Pages 49 - 52)
Report of the Policy and Improvement Officer
- 10. Date of Next Meeting**
The next meeting of the Committee will be held on Monday, 30th November, 2015, at 1.00 pm, in the Town Hall

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If you are present at a meeting of the Council, of its executive or any committee of the executive, or of any committee, sub-committee, joint committee, or joint sub-committee of the authority, and you have a **Disclosable Pecuniary Interest (DPI)** relating to any business that will be considered at the meeting, you must not:

- participate in any discussion of the business at the meeting, or if you become aware of your Disclosable Pecuniary Interest during the meeting, participate further in any discussion of the business, or
- participate in any vote or further vote taken on the matter at the meeting.

These prohibitions apply to any form of participation, including speaking as a member of the public.

You **must**:

- leave the room (in accordance with the Members' Code of Conduct)
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If you have any of the following pecuniary interests, they are your **disclosable pecuniary interests** under the new national rules. You have a pecuniary interest if you, or your spouse or civil partner, have a pecuniary interest.

- Any employment, office, trade, profession or vocation carried on for profit or gain, which you, or your spouse or civil partner undertakes.
- Any payment or provision of any other financial benefit (other than from your council or authority) made or provided within the relevant period* in respect of any expenses incurred by you in carrying out duties as a member, or towards your election expenses. This includes any payment or financial benefit from a trade union within the meaning of the Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992.

*The relevant period is the 12 months ending on the day when you tell the Monitoring Officer about your disclosable pecuniary interests.

- Any contract which is made between you, or your spouse or your civil partner (or a body in which you, or your spouse or your civil partner, has a beneficial interest) and your council or authority –
 - under which goods or services are to be provided or works are to be executed; and
 - which has not been fully discharged.

- Any beneficial interest in land which you, or your spouse or your civil partner, have and which is within the area of your council or authority.
- Any licence (alone or jointly with others) which you, or your spouse or your civil partner, holds to occupy land in the area of your council or authority for a month or longer.
- Any tenancy where (to your knowledge) –
 - the landlord is your council or authority; and
 - the tenant is a body in which you, or your spouse or your civil partner, has a beneficial interest.
- Any beneficial interest which you, or your spouse or your civil partner has in securities of a body where -
 - (a) that body (to your knowledge) has a place of business or land in the area of your council or authority; and
 - (b) either -
 - the total nominal value of the securities exceeds £25,000 or one hundredth of the total issued share capital of that body; or
 - if the share capital of that body is of more than one class, the total nominal value of the shares of any one class in which you, or your spouse or your civil partner, has a beneficial interest exceeds one hundredth of the total issued share capital of that class.

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- it relates to or is likely to affect any of the interests that are defined as DPIs but are in respect of a member of your family (other than a partner) or a person with whom you have a close association.

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**Children, Young People and Family Support Scrutiny and Policy Development
Committee**

Meeting held 20 July 2015

PRESENT: Councillors Chris Rosling-Josephs (Chair), Nasima Akther, John Booker, Steve Jones, Mohammad Maroof, Karen McGowan, Pat Midgley, Chris Peace, Lynn Rooney, Colin Ross, Ian Saunders, Jack Scott, Cliff Woodcraft (Deputy Chair) and Denise Reaney (Substitute Member)

Non-Council Members in attendance:-

Jules Jones, Education Non-Council Voting Member
Joan Stratford, Education Non-Council Voting Member
Alison Warner, Education Non-Council Member

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1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

1.1 Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Jackie Drayton (Cabinet Member for Children, Young People and Families), Councillor Katie Condliffe (with Councillor Denise Reaney attending as her substitute), Councillor Aodan Marken and Gillian Foster (Education Non-Council Voting Member).

2. EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC AND PRESS

2.1 No items were identified where resolutions may be moved to exclude the public and press.

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

3.1 Councillor Jack Scott declaration a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest in Agenda Item 7 (The Police and Crime Plan and Current Issues) as he was the Chief Executive of Home-Start Sheffield, which had received a grant from the Police and Crime Commissioner, but chose to remain in the meeting due the nature of the item under discussion.

4. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

4.1 The minutes of the meetings of the Committee held on 9th March 2015 and 20th May 2015, were approved as correct records and there were no matters arising.

5. PUBLIC QUESTIONS AND PETITIONS

5.1 In response to a series of questions from Diana Stimely, requesting statistical information regarding investigations into Child Sexual Exploitation, Dr Alan Billings, South Yorkshire Police and Crime Commissioner, stated that these issues would be covered in his report and he would speak to her outside the

meeting if necessary.

6. THE POLICE AND CRIME PLAN AND CURRENT ISSUES

- 6.1 Dr Alan Billings, South Yorkshire Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC), reported on the South Yorkshire Police and Crime Plan 2013/17, which had been renewed in March 2015, and current issues. Also in attendance for this item was Sally Parkin, Office of the PCC.
- 6.2 Dr Billings explained that the Police had to show him how they had put the Police and Crime Plan into practice, so that he could then hold them to account, and that he had deliberately kept the Plan concise and brief. The aim of the Plan was that South Yorkshire would be and feel a safe place to live, learn and work, with the strategic priorities being protecting vulnerable people, tackling crime and anti-social behaviour and enabling fair treatment, with safety being a common thread. The Plan did not contain any targets for tackling crime and anti-social behaviour and was outcome focused, rather than target driven. In relation to protecting vulnerable people, Dr Billings emphasised the need to adopt a wider definition to account for such issues as the ageing population and increased use of the internet.
- 6.3 Dr Billings went on to refer to the difficult financial situation, where the Police had been affected by grant reductions, with continued reductions expected. He added that there were two particular difficulties in South Yorkshire, the first of these relating to the funding formula, with South Yorkshire receiving 80% of its funding from the Government and only 20% from the precept. Consequently, when Government funding was cut, this represented a bigger proportion of the funding in South Yorkshire. It was also unlikely that the Government would tilt the funding formula in favour of urban areas. The second particular funding challenge in South Yorkshire related to the 'legacy issues' of Hillsborough, Child Sexual Exploitation (CSE) and Orgreave. In relation to Hillsborough, the PCC was legally obliged to fund the representation and participation of the Chief Constable, the Match Commanders on the day and a small number of others, in the inquests and inquiries. There was provision for the Home Office to refund these sums, but it was never envisaged that something on this scale would occur. There were separate inquests presently taking place at Warrington into the deaths of each of the 96 victims and, if a verdict of unlawful killing was found, then it may be that further actions would take place, so officers would need further representation. The costs so far had been £17m, of which the Home Secretary would fund £10.7m, thus leaving a gap. Dr Billings had contacted the Home Secretary, with a view to meeting her to discuss this shortfall. In relation to CSE, some Police Officers had been referred to the Independent Police Complaints Commission (IPCC) and the National Crime Agency investigation in Rotherham was expected to go on for up to three years at a cost of £3m-£5m per year and discussions were taking place in relation to funding this.
- 6.4 Members made various comments and asked a number of questions, to which responses were provided as follows:-
- There was still a strong district identification in the four South Yorkshire Police

Divisions and getting cross-fertilisation was not easy. Steps were being taken to achieve more cohesion across the area, with the review by Professor John Drew into South Yorkshire Police responses to CSE looking at practice across the whole area. In addition, the number of staff engaged in public protection had been increased, there had been co-location of staff in Rotherham, which was to be extended to Sheffield, and specialist training for CSE officers was being developed, using feedback from the Victims' and Survivors' Panel.

- Statistics on the progress of legal proceedings in relation to CSE could be found on the South Yorkshire Police website. There had been a number of arrests in the past three weeks and these would move towards Court cases. It should be noted that the Police were getting better in relation to prevention work. It was also important to ensure that the figures were not distorted, as most child abuse had been shown to take place in the family, and there was also the issue of online grooming.
- The Advisory Panel for Minority Communities (formerly the Black and Minority Ethnic Advisory Panel) would be asked to consider how the Police would ensure fair treatment in relation to the enforcement of such items as dispersal orders. It was hoped that the Committee membership could also be broadened to include members of the Roma/Slovak community, but different ways were being considered in relation to the involvement of the Lesbian, Gay, Bi-sexual and Transgender community. Funding for diversionary activities had been reduced dramatically, but the Yorkshire Community Foundation ran a small grants scheme on behalf of the Commissioner and had some funding available.
- A small team of Police Officers in South Yorkshire were funded by the Home Office to work on the Prevent agenda, which related to preventing terrorism. This team worked with local authority officers and undertook visits to schools and colleges.
- As part of his report, Professor John Drew would look at the figures quoted in the media for the number of CSE victims/ survivors and would meet with the retired Police Officer who had been quoted on BBC News as having information in relation to the numbers of victims/survivors and perpetrators. In so far as Rotherham was concerned, the National Crime Agency would be going through the relevant files.
- The numbers working in the Public Protection Units were reviewed continually, but it was getting increasingly difficult to find people to work in these areas due to the IPCC investigations.
- Professor Drew would have direct contact with the victims/ survivors and their families by meeting with the Panel comprising these individuals which had been set up. At the last meeting of the Panel, Police Officers had attended to listen to victims'/survivors' experiences. It was important that Police Officers were sensitive to the different attitudes of the victims/survivors.

- The failure to value women was not confined to any particular culture and it should be noted that, whilst the perpetrators of some incidents of historic grooming in Rotherham had come from one part of the community, this had come as a shock to other members of that community, as it had offended their religious and British values and some of the work funded had been in this field. It was also worth bearing in mind that there was an ongoing struggle in institutions such as the BBC and the Church of England in relation to the equal treatment of women.
- Consideration would be given to the training of the Police Community Support Officers (PCSOs) in how they dealt with under 18s on the street, but the overall impression was that they knew their communities well. There was however some concern at the numbers of people they were dealing with who had mental health issues. In terms of numbers, South Yorkshire had been almost unique in holding the line, as there had only been a small reduction in the number of PCSOs in the last 5 years. The numbers of Police Officers had reduced by about 16%, which was around the national average.
- There was a need to maintain a neighbourhood focus in policing and the Response Policing and Neighbourhood Teams were to be combined into single Local Policing Teams, which would manage all anti-social behaviour and most crime. Officers would be issued with laptops and handheld computers, which would result in timesaving efficiencies as well as keeping officers in the community.
- Police Officers and PCSOs were trained to deal with people of all ages, so there was no cut-off created by any specialist training in dealing with under 18s on the street.
- It was sometimes possible for a case to be built without witnesses having to give evidence in Court, but this could be complex due to changes in legislation regarding cases involving the age of consent in relation to sexual offences.
- The reduction in numbers of Police Officers and PCSOs was due to the austerity agenda. Locally, consideration was being given to the type of community and VCS (Voluntary and Community Sector) meetings attended by Police Officers and PCSOs, with other forms of contact such as e-mail being seen to be just as effective in some cases.
- In response to the questioner, Diana Stimely, Dr Billings stated that the South Yorkshire Police website was updated weekly with statistical information of the sort which she required. If there was insufficient information there, or she had further questions, he encouraged her to write to him and to speak to Sally Parkin who would advise her as to how to contact him.

RESOLVED: That the Committee:-

- (a) thanks Dr Alan Billings, South Yorkshire Police and Crime Commissioner,

for his contribution to the meeting;

- (b) notes the information reported and responses to questions; and
- (c) agrees to set up a Task and Finish Group to consider the implementation of the Prevent agenda, with Councillor Cliff Woodcraft as Chair and Councillors Chris Rosling-Josephs, Ian Saunders and Jack Scott and Jules Jones and Alison Warner as members, to report back to the meeting of the Committee in September 2015 with a proposal for the review and with a final report at the meeting of the Committee in January 2016.

7. ADOPTION PERFORMANCE

- 7.1 The Committee received a report of the Executive Director, Children, Young People and Families, which provided a more detailed update on Sheffield's current performance in relation to the two main performance measures, A1 and A2, following a request at the last meeting of the Committee.
- 7.2 The report was presented by Dorne Collinson, Director of Children and Families, with Stephanie Kerr, Assistant Service Manager, Children and Families, also in attendance.
- 7.3 Dorne Collinson took the Committee through the report and, in relation to Indicator A1 (average time between a child entering care and moving in with its adoptive family, for children who have been adopted), she explained that Sheffield's performance ranked 64th out of 152 local authorities, which was better than comparators but outside national thresholds. In Sheffield, the average time for a child to be placed after entering care was 535 days in the last year, which meant that in order to achieve a threshold of 426 days by March 2017, children would need to be placed within 370 days over the next two years. It should be noted however that there had been no adoption breakdown for a considerable time in Sheffield and that, due to comparatively low numbers of children in care, Sheffield was more likely to have children who had more complex needs, which made them more difficult to place.
- 7.4 In relation to Indicator A2 (average time between a local authority receiving court authority to place a child and the local authority deciding on a match to an adoptive family), Sheffield's performance ranked 122nd out of 152 local authorities last year, with performance being poorer than all averages for comparators. There had been a marginal improvement in three year performance averages for 2014/15, however, the gap to national expectations had increased and the improvement was mainly due to previous poor performance no longer being counted. The average time between receiving a placement order and matching a child in 2014/15 was 293 days, with thresholds for this indicator being 121 days.
- 7.5 With regard to improving performance, Dorne Collinson made reference to the City Wide Adoption Tracking meetings, the appointment of additional staff to identify those suitable for adoption and the use of proformas to highlight important milestones in the process. She also referred to regional working through the

Yorkshire and Humber Adoption Consortium, which sought to make adopters more available, but still ensured that children were placed locally.

7.6 Members made various comments and asked a number of questions, to which responses were provided as follows:-

- Officers were aware that some children had been in the system for too long, but it was hoped that tracking and scrutiny could influence change. It was recognised that there was a need to have a view on the present cohort, so that decisions could be made on permanent outcomes.
- Data that assisted in predicting future performance would be sent to the Policy and Improvement Officer for circulation to Committee Members.
- There was a significant difference between Sheffield and its statistical neighbours in that its in care population was different. There was a need for more analysis and information in relation to this matter.
- The last adoptive breakdown in Sheffield took place during the year 2010/11 and enquiries would be made regarding the performance of Sheffield's statistical neighbours in this regard, with the results being sent to the Policy and Improvement Officer for circulation to Committee Members.
- Like Sheffield, other authorities had young people who were unlikely to be adopted and, in these situations, it was necessary to decide on other permanent outcomes such as long term foster care. These situations did not impact on performance as the targets focused on those who were adopted.
- Education was a priority for all children in care and would be part of any adoption support plan. It may be that decisions were made for children to change schools if risk issues were involved.
- The process for selecting adopters was rigorous to ensure that the most appropriate adoptive parents were identified.
- Work was being undertaken to learn from other high performing authorities.

7.7 RESOLVED: That the Committee:-

- (a) thanks Dorne Collinson and Stephanie Kerr for their contribution to the meeting;
- (b) notes the contents of the report and responses to questions; and
- (c) requests that an update on Adoption Performance be presented to the Committee in six months' time.

8. DRAFT WORK PROGRAMME 2015/16

8.1 The Committee received its Draft Work Programme 2015/16.

8.2 RESOLVED: That the Committee notes:-

(a) the Draft Work Programme 2015/16; and

(b) Members' comments in relation to:-

- (i) the inclusion of issues relating to the school run, 20 mph areas, young drivers and the work the Fire Services undertook with regard to road safety in the report on Road Safety and Education for Children and Young People in Sheffield to be considered at the meeting of the Committee on 28th September 2015;
- (ii) the effect of a different form of presentation in assessing City Wide Attainment Outcomes in Schools and Academies, which is to be considered at the meeting of the Committee on 25th January 2016;
- (iii) inclusion of an item on Youth Services on a future Committee meeting agenda; and
- (iv) some assurance that the Work Programme of the Healthier Communities and Adult Social Care Scrutiny and Policy Development Committee covered young people's health.

9. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

9.1 It was noted that the next meeting of the Committee would be held on Monday, 28th September 2015, at 1.00 pm, in the Town Hall.

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Children, Young People & Family Support Scrutiny Committee
Actions update for meeting on 28th September 2015

| Action | Minutes | Update | R A G |
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| <p>THE POLICE AND CRIME PLAN AND CURRENT ISSUES The Committee, (c.) agrees to set up a Task & Finish Group to consider the implementation of the Prevent agenda, with Councillor Cliff Woodcraft as Chair and Councillors Ian Saunders, Chris Rosling-Josephs, Jack Scott and Jules Jones and Alison Warner as members, to report back to the meeting of the Committee in September with a proposal for the review and with a final report in January 2016.</p> | 20 th July 2015 | Some initial discussion has taken place with Officers leading on PREVENT and we are in the process of arranging an initial meeting of the Task & Finish Group. Due to the potential links, the Committee also agreed to offer 2 places to the Safer & Stronger Communities Scrutiny Committee; the Committee have subsequently nominated Cllr John Campbell and Cllr Aodan Marken. | |
| <p>ADOPTION PERFORMANCE 7.6 • Data for the last 24 months would be sent to the Policy and Improvement Officer for circulation to Committee Members. • The last adoptive breakdown in Sheffield took place during the year 2010/11 and enquiries would be made regarding the performance of Sheffield's statistical neighbours in this regard, with the results being sent to the Policy and Improvement Officer for circulation to Committee Members.</p> | 20 th July 2015 | Dorne Collinson, Director of Children and Families is compiling a short update which will be sent to Committee Members. | |
| <p>ADOPTION PERFORMANCE 7.7 (C.) The Committee, requests that an update on Adoption Performance be presented to the Committee in six months' time</p> | 20 th July 2015 | This item is on the Work Programme for March 2016 | |
| <p>DRAFT WORK PROGRAMME 2015/16 (i) The Committee, requests, the inclusion of issues relating to the school run, 20 mph areas, young drivers and the work the Fire Services undertake with regard to road safety in the report on Road Safety and Education for Children and Young People in Sheffield which will be considered at the meeting of the Committee on 28th September 2015</p> | 20 th July 2015 | This information will be included in the report. | |

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| <p>DRAFT WORK PROGRAMME 2015/16 (iii) The Committee, requests, inclusion of an item on Youth Services on a future Committee meeting agenda; and</p> | <p>20th July 2015</p> | <p>This item has been added to the Work Programme for March 2016</p> |
| <p>DRAFT WORK PROGRAMME 2015/16 (iv) Some assurance that the Work Programme of the Healthier Communities and Adult Social Care Scrutiny and Policy Development Committee covers young people's health</p> | <p>20th July 2015</p> | <p>A short statement from the Chair in response to this query has been circulated to Committee Members, along with a copy of the Work Programme for the Healthier Communities & Adult Social Care Scrutiny & Policy Development Committee.</p> |



Report to Children, Young People and Family Support Scrutiny & Policy Development Committee

Report of: David Caulfield Director of Regeneration and Development Services

Subject: Road Safety for Children & Young People in Sheffield

Author of Report: Karen Vickers Senior Road Safety Officer Tel. 2736162
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Joanne Wehrle Safer Roads Education Manager 01709 832369

Summary:

This report is in response to a request from Councillor Rosling-Joseph

This report provides:

- An overview of the South Yorkshire Safer Roads Partnership and the Education, Training and Publicity Action Plan
- An update on road safety for children and young people in Sheffield including an update on fatalities over the past 10 years and any resulting action taken by the partnership
- An overview of on-going work around 20mph zones and the School Keep Clear Review

Type of item: The report author should tick the appropriate box

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| Reviewing of existing policy | |
| Informing the development of new policy | |
| Statutory consultation | |
| Performance / budget monitoring report | |
| Cabinet request for scrutiny | |
| Full Council request for scrutiny | |
| Community Assembly request for scrutiny | |
| Call-in of Cabinet decision | |
| Briefing paper for the Scrutiny Committee | x |
| Other | |

The Scrutiny Committee is being asked to:

Note the report and its contents

Background Papers:

South Yorkshire Safer Roads Partnership Making South Yorkshire Roads Safer
'The Way Forward' an Education, Training and Publicity Action Plan (2015)
Sheffield 20MPH Speed Limit Strategy Individual Cabinet Member Decision
Report 8th January 2015

Category of Report: OPEN

Report of the Director of Regeneration and Development Services**Road Safety for Children and Young People in Sheffield****1.0 Introduction/Context**

- 1.1 Roads are essential to our everyday lives. We all use them in some way, by driving, riding, walking or travelling as a passenger, and we depend on them to obtain goods and services. Unfortunately, this comes at a price, which includes people being killed and injured.
- 1.2 Local highway authorities have a duty under the Road Traffic Act 1988 and the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007 to prepare and carry out a programme of measures designed to promote road safety, to carry out studies into accidents and, in light of these studies, to take appropriate action to prevent such occurrences.
- 1.3 Globally, road traffic injuries are a leading cause of accidental death among 0-16 year olds. Although the numbers of children killed and seriously injured on our roads is falling, we still strive to reduce this further in a bid to eliminate the pain, grief and suffering that is associated with each and every road traffic collision. In addition, the number of young people aged 17-24 years being injured on the roads is disproportionate when compared to the makeup of this age group in the general population. This report sets out what is being done across South Yorkshire and, in Sheffield, to address road safety for children and young people.

2.0 Road Safety for Children and Young People in South Yorkshire.

- 2.1 An overview of the South Yorkshire Safer Roads Partnership and the Education, Training and Publicity Action Plan
- 2.2 The South Yorkshire Safer Roads Partnership (SRP) is a multi-agency, multi-functional organisation whose aims are to reduce the number of people injured on South Yorkshire roads as a result of road traffic collisions and to make South Yorkshire roads safer. The SRP is made up of:
 - Barnsley, Doncaster, Rotherham and Sheffield Councils
 - Highways England
 - South Yorkshire Passenger Transport Executive (SYLTE)
 - The University of Sheffield
 - The Yorkshire Ambulance Service
 - Public health bodies

- South Yorkshire Police (including South Yorkshire Safety Cameras)
- Peak District National Park Authority
- South Yorkshire Fire and Rescue.

2.3 The Partnership employs a range of activities in a bid to reduce road traffic collisions based around the 3 Es of Engineering, Enforcement and Education, delivered in an integrated way. The SRP adopted a safer roads and casualty reduction strategy in 2011. Its aim is to support our philosophy that we need to move from just treating locations where some have already been injured, more towards systematically identifying the specific causes and high risks and applying actions that are most likely to address these, thereby preventing injuries in the years ahead.

2.4 Under the 'Education' banner we have adopted an Education, Training and Publicity (ETP) Action Plan "Making South Yorkshire Roads Safer – The Way Forward" to co-ordinate road safety activity across South Yorkshire and to ensure that we focus our efforts where they are most needed.

2.5 The strategy employs a "worst first" approach to delivery, prioritising activity in those areas where most casualties occur and targeting those road users who are most frequently involved in collisions. The aim of the plan is to make best use of the SRP assets by co-ordinating activity across the partners, ensuring that a consistent message is being delivered and making sure that any gaps in delivery are covered and duplication is minimised. Partners are supported with generic materials, resources, use of SRP assets such as the Subaru community engagement vehicle and central staff resources such as the Safer Roads Education Manager and countywide road safety officers.

2.6 The ETP Action Plan identifies key road user groups to target:-

- Young drivers (17-24 years);
- People driving for work;
- Powered two wheelers (machine capacities < 125cc and > 125cc);
- Cyclists (adults and children);
- Pedestrians (0-16 years and 17-24 years)

2.7 Action plans have been developed for each key user group and officers have been identified to take a theme lead approach and co-ordinate activity for their respective user group.

Through data analysis we also have details of the priority postcodes across South Yorkshire where significantly more casualties are injured. This data informs our delivery programme, especially in supporting the local authority road safety teams and helping them to target priority schools and educational establishments to receive interventions. (See appendix A)

2.8 Examples of activity/interventions by the SRP partners can be found in appendix B

2.9 Child casualties (aged 0-16 years) in South Yorkshire have also been showing a downward trend over the last 10 years. In 2014 there were

545 children injured on roads in South Yorkshire which, for the first time since 2005, represented a small increase in child casualties, although child killed and seriously injured casualties were down by 8%. Of the total child casualties, 40% were injured as pedestrians, 46% were injured as vehicle passengers and 14% as driver/riders.

In 2014, in South Yorkshire, there were 1050 young people (aged 17-24 years) injured in road traffic collisions. Of these, 731 (70 %) were injured as car users and 101 (10%) were injured as riders/passengers of powered two wheeled machines. Given their make-up in the driving and riding population as a whole, young people aged 17-24 years are massively over represented in the casualty statistics. Nationally, this age group makes up approximately 10% of the driving population, but accounts for 32% of all the drivers killed in car crashes. This situation is mirrored in South Yorkshire.

2.10 Across South Yorkshire, funding for the delivery of road safety Education, Training and Publicity activity comes from a variety of different sources:

- Local authority revenue funding (including funding sourced internally from public health and Children, Young People and Families;
- Safer Roads Partnership funds generated from the surplus money available following the delivery of driver improvement courses;
- Local Sustainable Transport Fund from the Department for Transport.

A significant risk to the continued delivery of priority road safety activity in future years will be the end of the LSTF programme of activity in March 2016. To date the Government has yet to announce any future funding programmes, but it seems likely that these will focus on promoting more active travel such as walking and cycling, leaving a funding gap to address the issue of safety for young drivers and riders.

2.11 **Safer Roads Restructure** Chief Executives have agreed to pursue a 'shared service' for road safety education, training and publicity activity through one local authority and have accepted Rotherham's offer to lead this work. Officers have been developing the shared service option and are currently in the process of consulting the Chief Executives in Barnsley, Doncaster and Sheffield on a draft of a shared service agreement.

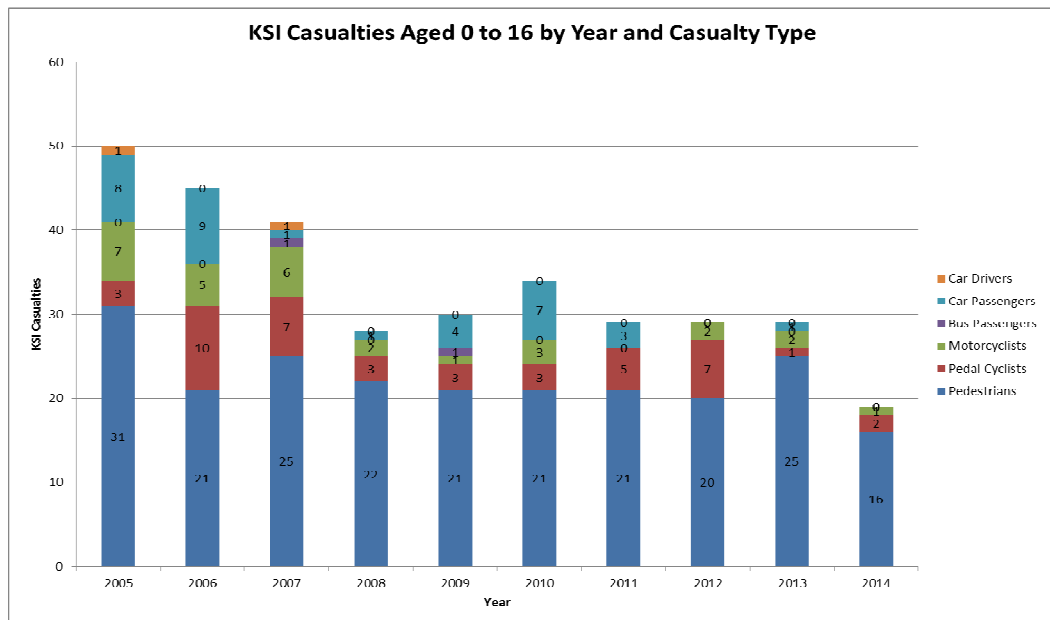
Road safety education, training and publicity activity will be delivered from a shared South Yorkshire Hub based in Rotherham and, at present, the draft agreement has been developed to cover a period of 3 years. The Hub will focus its resources against the priorities of the South Yorkshire Safer Roads action plan with the principles of being 'evidence-led' and 'worst first across South Yorkshire'. Efficiencies and consistency will be created from the central hub approach.

3 An update on road safety for children and young people in Sheffield including an update on fatalities over the past 10 years and any resulting action taken by the partnership

3.1 Children and Young People Killed or Seriously Injured in Road Collisions in Sheffield between 2005 and 2014

3.2 Child Casualties (0 – 16) In the 10 years since 2005, the number of 0 to 16 year olds killed or seriously injured in road collisions in Sheffield has fallen, quite dramatically, from 50 in 2005 (the highest in the last 10 years) to 19 in 2014, which is the lowest by a long way. The previous lowest figure was 28 back in 2008. Of all the 0 to 16 year old KSI casualties, pedestrians accounted for the highest proportion each year, making up 67% of all 0 to 16 year old KSIs in the last 10 years. The number of 0 to 16 year old pedestrian KSI casualties fell from 31 in 2005 to 16 in 2014. More details of 0 to 16 year old casualties by year and type can be seen in Chart 1.

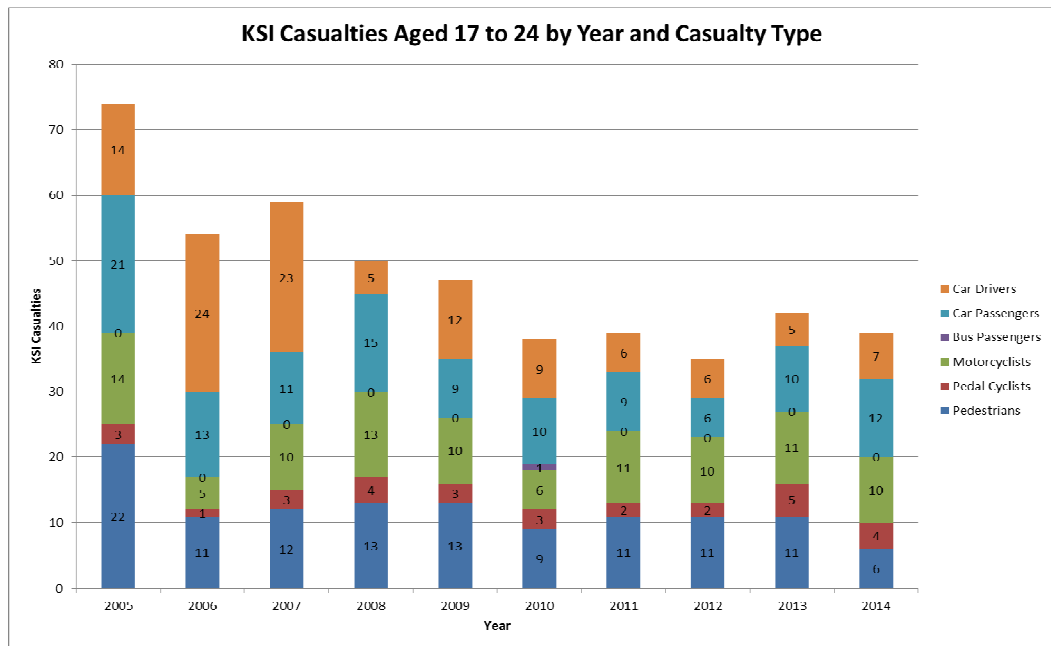
Chart 1: KSI Casualties Aged 0-16 by Year and Casualty Type



3.3 During the 10 years between 2005 and 2014, 7 children aged 16 and under were killed in road collisions in Sheffield. Five of the fatal accidents happened between 2005 and 2007, there were no fatal accidents involving children between 2008 and 2012 and there was one fatal accident in 2013 and one in 2014. Four of the fatalities were pedestrians, three boys and one girl. Two of the fatalities were car passengers, both boys. The remaining fatality was a 14 year old boy riding a motorcycle.

3.4 Young Person Casualties (17 - 24) During the last 10 years the number of 17 to 24 year olds killed or seriously injured in road collisions in Sheffield has fallen from 77 in 2005, which is the highest number in the last 10 years, to 39 in 2014. The only years that saw fewer 17 to 24 year old KSIs were 2012 (35 KSIs) and 2010 (38 KSIs). The casualty types are more evenly spread in the 16 to 24 year age bracket than is the case with 0 to 16 year olds and can be seen in more detail in Chart 2.

Chart 2: KSI Casualties Aged 17 to 24 by Year and Casualty Type



3.5 During the 10 years from 2005 to 2014 there were 23 collisions in Sheffield in which 27 young people aged 17 to 24 were killed. Just over half of the fatalities were car passengers (14), of which 9 were male and 5 were female; Six of the fatalities were car drivers (4 male and 2 female); Four of the fatalities were motorcyclists (all male) and three of the fatalities were pedestrians (2 female and 1 male). There was an additional car passenger casualty aged 33 years who was also fatally injured in one of the 23 collisions

3.6 Trends Although there may be some minor fluctuations, overall the numbers of 0 to 16 year old KSIs and 17 to 24 year old KSIs have fallen over the last 10 years. 2005 saw the highest number of KSIs for both age groups in the last 10 years. Last year saw the lowest number of 0 to 16 year old KSIs and the number for 17 to 24 year olds was one of the lowest we have seen in the last 10 years. Whilst these reductions may be expected due to the overall fall in the total number of KSIs for all ages, there has also been a small reduction in the proportion of 0 to 16 year olds and 17 to 24 year olds being killed and seriously injured, when compared with all ages of KSI casualties, from 2005 to 2014. The total KSIs for both age groups by year and the percentages for both age groups when compared with all KSIs can be seen in Charts 3 and 4.

Chart 3: KSI casualties Aged 0 to 16 and 17 to 24, by Year

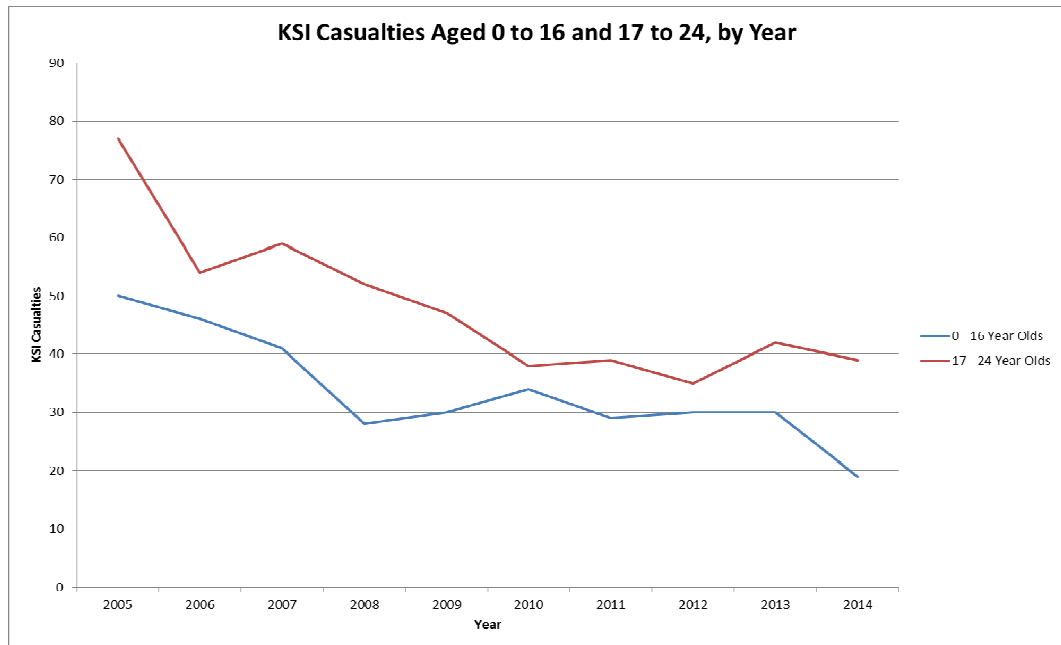
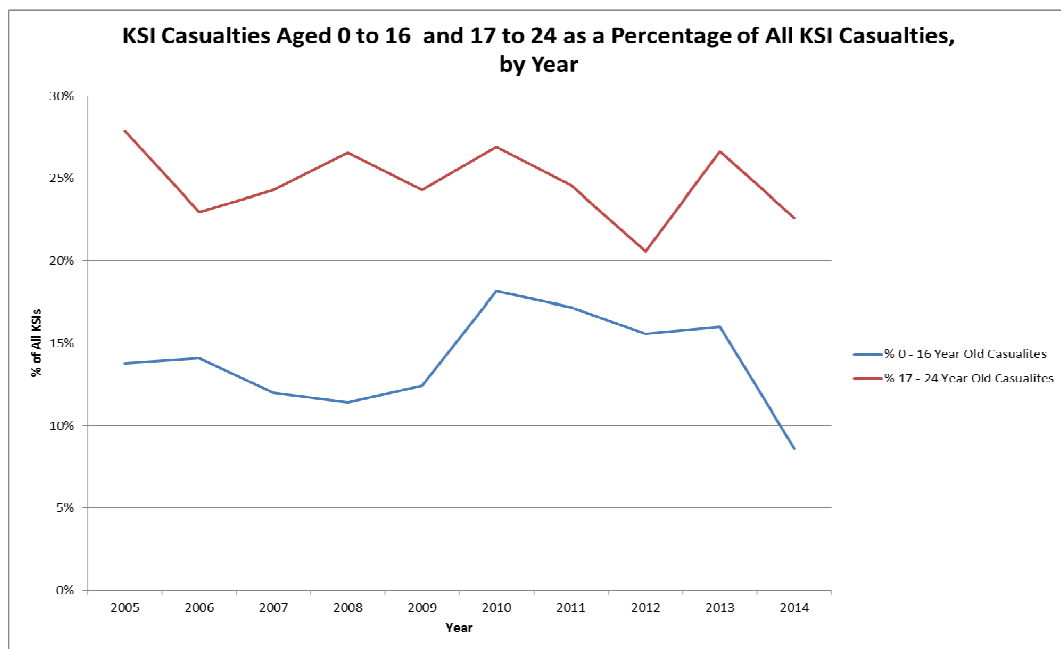


Chart 4: KSI Casualties Aged 0 to 16 and 17 to 24 as a percentage of all KSI Casualties, by Year



3.7 In accordance with the South Yorkshire Action Plan the Sheffield ETP Team target areas where most casualties live. Charts 5, 6 and 7 show the wards in Sheffield where children and young people have been involved in a collision live. This gives an indication of where there is most risk for children and young people. Chart 8 is the Overall index of Deprivation (2010) for Sheffield and the correlation between the 20% most deprived areas in Sheffield and the wards where most children and young people live who have been involved in a collision is very strong with a significant trend towards more casualties coming from more deprived areas.

A child living in the North East of the city is, for example, five times more likely to be involved in a pedestrian road traffic collision than a child living in the South West. Therefore, to target our resources to the children at most risk, we prioritise our work in schools based on post-code child pedestrian casualty data.

Chart 5: Number of Casualties (all categories) Aged 0-24 year old Living in Each Ward Who have been involved in a Collision 2005-2014 in Sheffield.

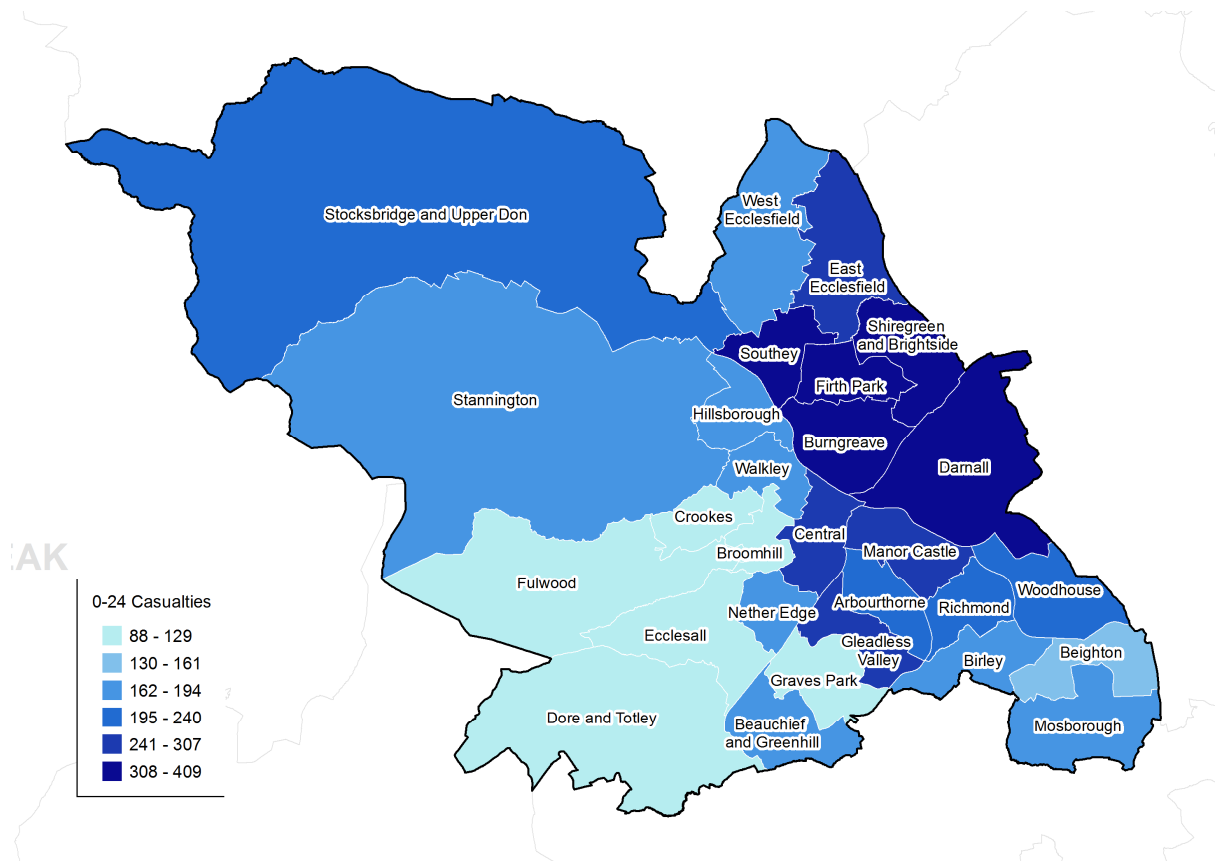


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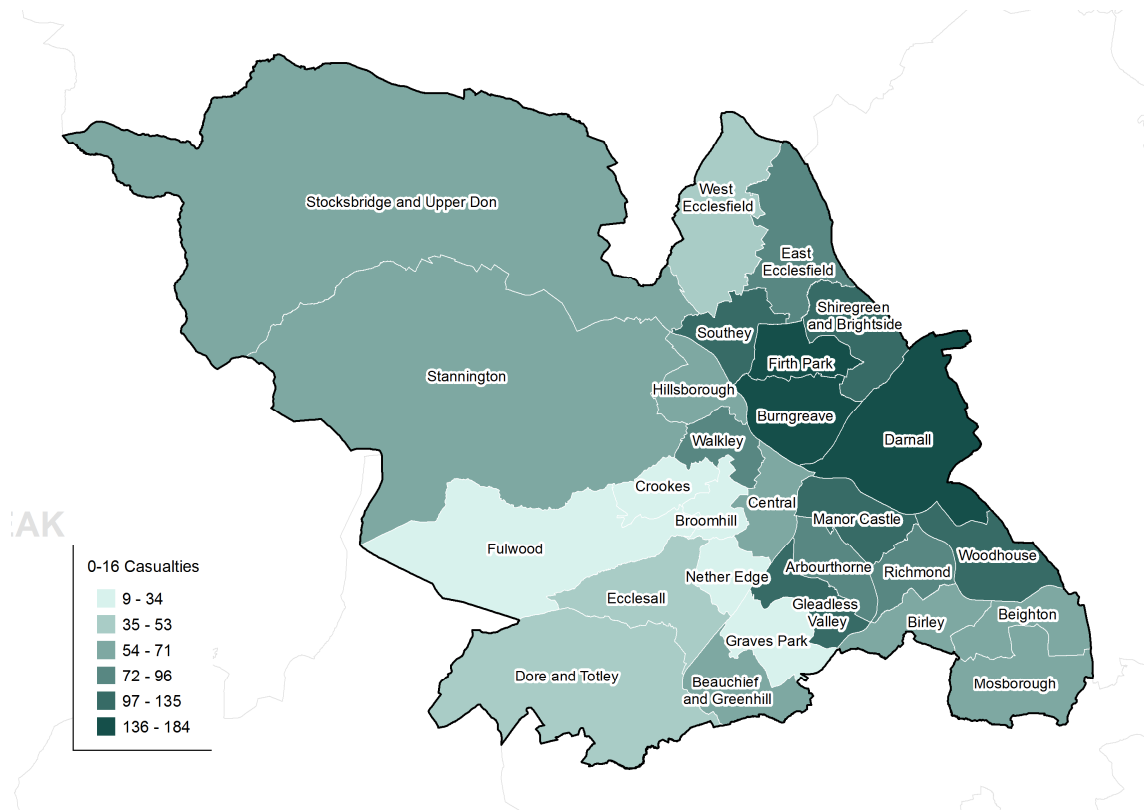


Chart 7: Number of Casualties (all categories) Aged 17-24 year old Living in Each Ward Who have been involved in a Collision 2005-2014 in Sheffield.

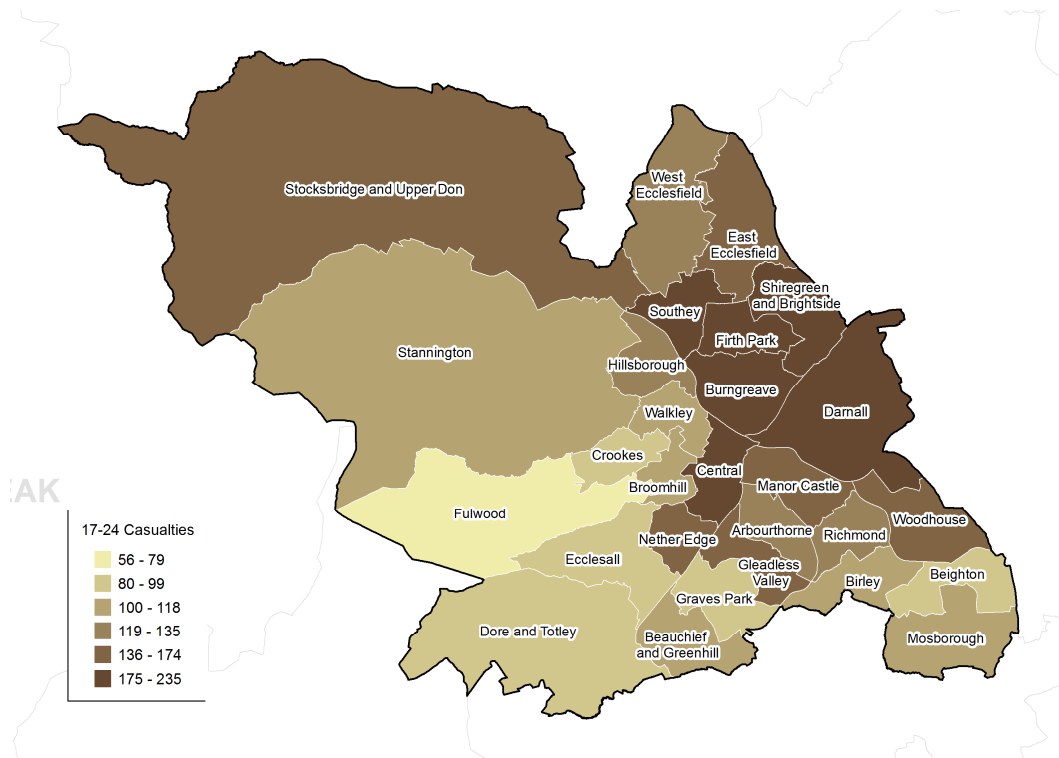
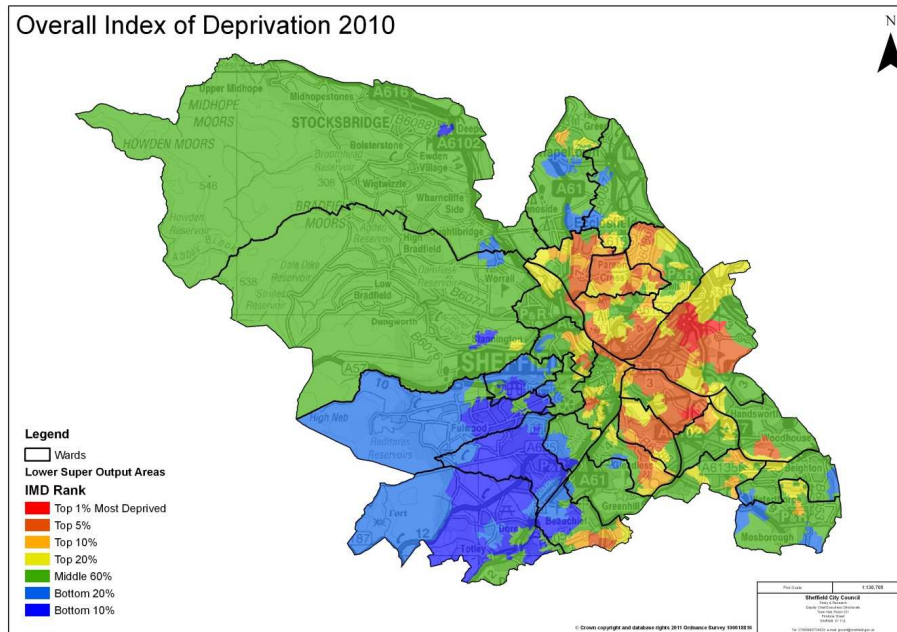


Chart 8: Overall Index of Deprivation Sheffield (2010)



3.8 Resulting Action

Early Action. After a fatal or life changing collision has occurred an inspection of the collision site is carried out by the 'Early Action' team, which consists of a Senior Road Safety Engineer and a South Yorkshire Police Officer. The Early Action team provides a rapid response at the scene of fatal or life changing collisions to review the need for measures in response to the collision. Following the inspection, a report is produced and if any recommendations for highway improvements are made, then these are carried out as soon as possible (subject to available funding). This is funded from the LTP.

3.9 Protocol following a fatal RTC involving a young person aged 4-18 years

–the Safer Roads Partnership on 5 June endorsed a countywide protocol which ensures a consistent approach across South Yorkshire to dealing with educational establishments (schools and colleges) in the provision of road safety ETP activity following a fatal RTC involving a school age young person. All SRP partners have been asked to adhere to this procedure in future.

Local authorities have a duty to follow due legal process and care needs to be taken in how we immediately respond following a fatal RTC in advance of the Police concluding their investigations and the Coroner holding an inquest, so as not to prejudice the investigation and any potential outcomes

4.0 Road Safety for Children Aged 0-16 Years Old in Sheffield

4.1 Schools work. Since 2006, the Children, Young People and Families Service has provided funding to the Road Safety Education, Training and Publicity team to conduct road safety education in schools across Sheffield. The schools' team targets schools in the areas where most pedestrian child casualties live, in line with the South Yorkshire ETP action plan. Schools are designated either a high, medium or low priority depending on the number of casualties in their postcode area. Based on the last statistics available there are

currently 45 high priority, 30 medium priority and 60 low priority primary schools and 14 high priority, 6 medium priority and 5 low priority secondary schools. All schools in a high or medium priority band are allocated a named Road Safety Officer who works within each school to deliver a comprehensive programme of road safety education. This prioritisation has meant that we do far more proactive work with schools in the higher risk areas. There is a strong correlation between the Index of Multiple Deprivation and child casualty rates (see charts 5-8)

4.2 High and medium priority schools are offered the following: Visits, talks, role-play equipment and support for staff, parents/carers and children covering foundation stage to Key Stage 4. These are delivered in a variety of ways such as:

- Class sessions
- Year group/KS sessions
- Assemblies to parents
- By peers
- Through curriculum areas
- In conjunction with engineering colleagues where physical measures are implemented near schools, such as in the 20mph speed limit areas
- In conjunction with other agencies

All sessions are specifically tailored to the needs of each school and to any particular needs of the children in those schools. Our aim is to visit each high and medium priority school at least once every academic year. We approach road safety education in the same way as any other subject is taught in schools. Our key messages are age specific and build on previous knowledge. This enables young children to develop skills and knowledge throughout their life enabling them, hopefully, to become good road users and provide them with skills for life. Our services are free to all educational establishments in Sheffield and can be linked to the National Curriculum, Healthy Schools and can support the five aims of Every Child Matters.

In general schools, particularly primary schools, welcome our input and acknowledge the importance of road safety education. However secondary schools can be very difficult to engage with; they are reluctant to take students off timetable to receive road safety interventions, find it difficult to fit road safety into an already packed curriculum and contacting the appropriate member of staff can be time consuming and problematic for the road safety team. However once engaged the response is positive

4.3 **Crucial Crew** All year 6 pupils across South Yorkshire are invited to attend Crucial Crew. This is an interactive learning experience that takes place at the purpose built Lifewise centre at Hellaby. The children take part in a variety of scenarios to practice real life situations about safety and citizenship. The road safety scenario highlights that children 10 – 13 years are more likely to be involved in a pedestrian collision (see appendix C); this is due mainly to them undertaking independent journeys for the first time. Stopping distances of vehicles and distractions such as mobile phones are discussed. The children are shown a copy of the graph of child pedestrian casualties in Sheffield for the last 5 years

(see appendix c) which shows a sharp increase of casualties at around the age of 12. They are asked why they think this is. Every year on average 95% of all Sheffield year 6 pupils attend Crucial Crew.

4.4 **Junior Road Safety Officer (JRSO)** The Junior Road Safety Officer scheme is a South Yorkshire wide initiative where two or more year 5 or 6 pupils become road safety ambassadors in schools. The JRSOs are provided with a pack containing ideas and information and schools are asked to provide a member of staff to support them. They are sent regular newsletters and can ask road safety officers for help and advice. At the end of the school year the JRSOs are asked to send in a folder of the work they have done over the year and a prize is awarded for the JRSO of the year. In the last academic year 34 Sheffield schools recruited Junior Road Safety Officers.

4.5 **Pedestrian Training** Pedestrian training is a practical scheme where year 3 or 4 pupils are taught road safety skills at the side of the road. Children are taught three practical skills:

- Finding safer places and routes to cross the road
- Crossing safely at parked cars
- Crossing safely near junctions

Pedestrian training has many benefits which include improving children's awareness to road safety, enabling children to build up their pedestrian skills and developing good habits for later life. Each year up to 2000 Sheffield children receive pedestrian training.

4.6 **Early Years** Road safety education for children aged 0-4 year of age is extremely important. It helps to provide a grounding for the rest of a child's life. Children's Centres and nurseries are targeted using postcode statistics in the same way as schools are. They are offered advice and sessions for both children and parents focussing on what parents and carers can teach their children.

4.7 **Bikeability Child Cycle Training** Road Safety has organised children's cycle training in Sheffield Schools for many years. Originally it was through the ROSPA cycle proficiency scheme and more recently through the Bikeability programme. Since the Bikeability programme commenced in 2007 Sheffield has applied to the Department for Transport for a grant to support this training. This year Sheffield has received a grant of £73,920 to support the free training of 1848 Sheffield pupils, aged 9 to 11 years, to the National Standard level 2. The training is contracted out and the present training provider is Cycle Experience.

This year Sheffield has also applied for 100 places to deliver Bikeability level 3 in Secondary Schools. This is much more extensive, covering busier roads, traffic lights and multi-lane roads. It is hoped that this training will equip these secondary school children to ride their cycles to school. School engagement can be difficult though, as the time constraints on schools often make it very difficult for them to offer extracurricular activities.

4.8 **RS 'OSCARS'** Although a South Yorkshire wide project the RS'Oscars' is hosted by Sheffield at the City Hall Ballroom and Sheffield schools take part. The project consists of secondary schools being invited to develop a road safety drama piece that must include particular road safety messages that are relevant to their peers. The schools are asked to perform their piece to all students in their school. A film of one of the performances is submitted and participating students are invited to an Oscar's style ceremony where awards are given in a variety of categories. As well as the participating schools local dignitaries and V.I.P.s are invited to attend. At the last event in March 2015 the ceremony was compered by The Chuckle Brothers and there were other performances from local acts. The third running of the event is now being planned and will again take place at The Ballroom Sheffield City Hall in March 2016

- 4.9 **South Yorkshire Fire & Rescue** South Yorkshire Fire & Rescue have developed two road safety initiatives for secondary school students in Sheffield and across South Yorkshire. They are:
- Learn & Live – a hard-hitting PowerPoint presentation, delivered by Fire Officers, that demonstrates the dangers and consequences for all road users, including pedestrians, cyclists, scooter riders and vehicle passengers, of being involved in a road traffic collision. Its target audience is 14 – 15 year olds.
 - Collision – A DVD with lesson ideas about a group of teenagers that end up the centre of a road traffic collision. The accompanying activities are designed to draw out key perceptions, opinions and attitudes on road use and the potential risks involved. Collision has been distributed to all secondary schools in South Yorkshire and is delivered by school staff.

South Yorkshire Fire and Rescue don't deliver road safety interventions in primary schools as their priority with this age group is fire safety.

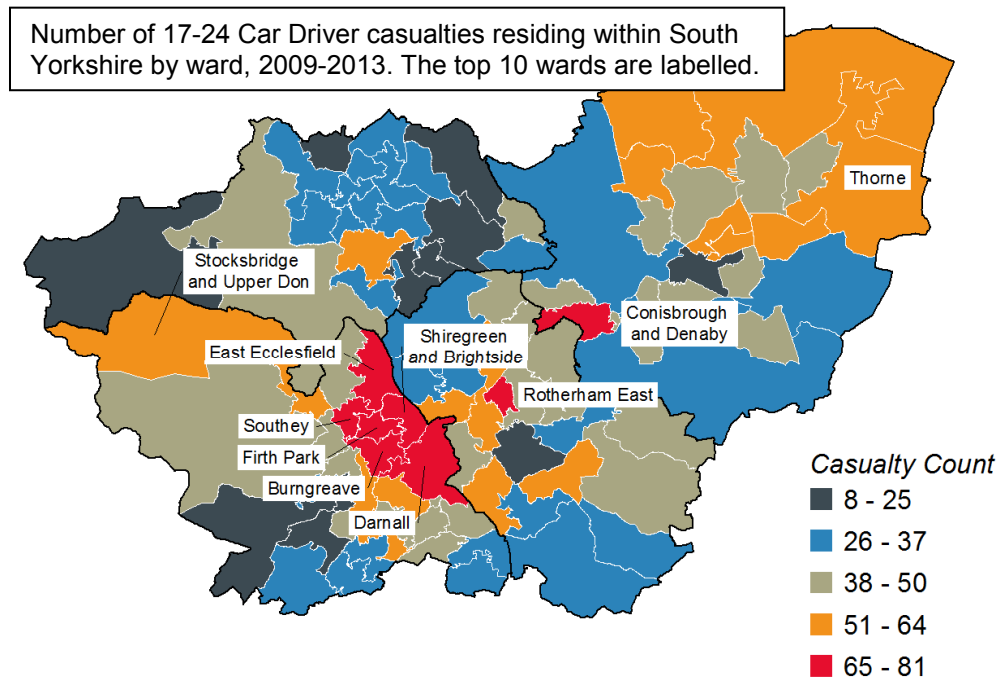
5.0 **Road Safety for Young People Aged 17- 24 Years Old in Sheffield**

5.1 All of the following activities/interventions are delivered across South Yorkshire with Sheffield Road Safety Officers taking the lead on young driver, young adult pedestrian and driving for work projects. SYFR leads on powered two wheelers and a combination of partners leads on cyclists and PR and communications led by a combination of SRP partners.

5.2 **Young Drivers** Young drivers are one of our priority target groups as a result of the poor collision record for this group of road users. A suite of interventions is available for young people via schools and colleges to highlight the particular risks faced by young and novice drivers and encourage young people to consider the consequences of their poor decisions and unsafe behaviour. We have also developed a number of behaviour change modules and trained approved driving instructors to deliver these as part of the driving lesson. All young driver interventions focus on topics that are strongly linked to novice driver crashes, namely;

- Fatigue
- Self-evaluation
- Alcohol
- Distraction
- Peer pressure
- Speed choices
- Drugs
- Seat belts

Chart 8 shows the number of 17-24 car driving casualties residing in Sheffield by ward.



5.3 The areas with the highest numbers of casualties are also those with the highest levels of deprivation. ~The following interventions target drivers from these areas when possible.

- Drive for Life Event - delivered by a multi-agency team of presenters from the emergency services and local authority road safety teams in sixth forms, colleges, youth training organisations and young apprenticeship schemes Approximately 2,000 attendees per year in Sheffield. An interactive presentation, it aims to influence the attitude and behaviour of young drivers. It tackles issues which contribute towards collisions involving young drivers, making young people aware of their responsibilities as drivers. It includes first-hand accounts from people who have been involved or affected by collisions and is a hard-hitting, emotional and thought provoking session. Drive for Life also covers, when appropriate, risks faced by young motorcyclists/scooter riders and those driving for work;
- Learn Safe, Drive Safe – delivered by specially trained approved driving instructors using coaching techniques in-car as part of normal driving lessons, the scheme encourages young drivers to consider

the risks they will face as novice drivers. The scheme includes parental involvement in lessons, e-learning modules, phone apps and post-test training. Each year approximately 4,000 Sheffield learner drivers receive driving lessons from instructors who have received LSDS training, with over 200 novice drivers taking advantage of the free post-test practical lessons which cover rural, motorway, night time driving and eco-driving. LSDS has been rolled out in other areas across the country with the title of 'Engage'. Under the 'Engage' banner the scheme was awarded a Prince Michael of Kent International Road Safety Award in 2014;

- Driver Theory sessions – weekly sessions covering driver theory and road safety looking at key issues such as close following & hazard perception, speed choices, blockers(alcohol, time, fatigue, distractions, peer pressure), vehicle maintenance, overtaking and road signs delivered by LSDS approved driving instructors in sixth forms, colleges and youth training organisations;
- Subaru community engagement - South Yorkshire Fire and Rescue (SYFR) team and vehicle encouraging interaction with young people at events and meeting places. Audio visual equipment in the boot of the car enables road safety films to be shown to prompt discussion with young people about relevant issues. A schedule of regular night time engagements has been drawn up to visit key locations where young drivers gather such as supermarket and town centre car parks. This schedule focuses on priority post code areas for young driver casualties as part of the “worst first” approach;
- We work closely with the Psychology Department of the University of Sheffield on the development and trialling of innovative young driver safety interventions. The evaluations of these interventions are published globally.

5.4 Powered Two Wheelers (P2W) The SRP motorcycle intervention officers have developed a suite of initiatives for powered two wheeler riders; from presentations and skills development sessions for young scooter riders, Biker Down first on scene, first aid instruction, through to more advanced motorcycle training for those on higher powered machines, offered in conjunction with local providers. The motorcycle intervention officers continue to engage with powered two wheeler (P2W) riders of all ages through colleges and youth training organisations, employers, retailers, P2W clubs and meets to convey appropriate road safety messages. Also delivered is Twist and Go which gives skills training for young riders on low power machines. Signs are put up on a temporary basis (April to Oct) on key routes across South Yorkshire which have experienced high levels of motorcycle crashes. The Someone's Son motorcycle safety campaign also runs each year which encourages drivers to look out for motorcycle riders.

5.5 Young Adult Pedestrians Sheffield sees many more young adult pedestrian casualties than other South Yorkshire Local Authorities. One possible cause for the higher totals in Sheffield could be due to the large amount of students that attend Sheffield Hallam and the University of Sheffield, which have a combined total intake of approximately 63,000

students each year. A large number of the pedestrian casualties in Sheffield occur along roads frequented by students at night. A young adult pedestrian safety campaign runs in the autumn that uses posters placed in late night bars and clubs. Autumn also sees the Be Bright Be Seen campaign which gives out free hi-visibility accessories for students, pedestrians and cyclists.

- 5.6 **Key Challenges** Despite the activity underway a number of key challenges remain and potentially limit the future effectiveness of interventions to address young driver safety. These include:
- Funding – as noted previously currently most young driver interventions, and some staff involved in delivering the activity, are funded from LSTF. This source of funding is only available to the end of March 2016 and hence consideration needs to be given to how this priority work can be funded in 2016/17 and beyond.
 - Difficulties in engaging with further and higher education establishments – 6th forms in particular are notoriously difficult to get into, given the already packed curriculum. 6th forms often fail to see road safety as a high priority for their students until something happens. This is witnessed by the number of 6th forms who have taken up the offer of Drive for Life sessions, who previously had not been interested, after fatal collisions involving their own pupils.
 - Whilst engaging with students who attend further and higher education establishments can be difficult, once young people have left these establishments (which covers most of the 17 -24 age group) it is extremely difficult to get them to participate with any of the activities we provide. An example is the low uptake of free post-test driving lessons that are offered to all novice drivers despite extensive promotion.
 - Difficulties in engaging with parents – parents can have a big influence on young drivers, not least because they often help to finance their son or daughter's car. We feel that more could be done to encourage parents to instil into their children the need to be responsible drivers and encourage them to take up additional training opportunities once they have passed their test to enhance their driving awareness and skills.
 - Lack of national intervention – in March 2013 the Government announced its intention to launch a consultation green paper on improving the safety and reducing the risks to young drivers. Amongst the proposals being considered was a Graduated Driving Licence (GDL) type scheme, whereby certain restrictions are placed on young drivers. In December 2013 ministers announced that the policy document had been put on hold indefinitely stating that the issues needed to be considered further.
 - In March 2015 The Department for Transport published some qualitative research to better understand the views and perceptions of young driver safety amongst 3 key audiences:
 - Young drivers

- Parents of young drivers
- Employers.

Whilst GDL was resisted by all groups, by contrast, mandatory driving lessons were supported: they were seen as worth the investment, and assumed to make a significant difference to road safety. This sits well alongside the very positive feedback we have had to date from new drivers who have completed the LSDS Post Test sessions.

6.0 **An overview of on-going work around 20mph zones and the School Keep clear review**

- 6.1 **Overview of 20mph** On 8 March 2012, the City Council Cabinet Highways Committee approved the 'Sheffield 20mph Speed Limit Strategy', the long-term aim of which is to establish 20mph as the maximum speed in appropriate residential areas of Sheffield.

The 20mph speed limit areas are prioritised by a city-wide comparison of the number and severity of accidents in suitable areas, with a view to introducing the new speed limit into residential areas on a 'worst first' basis. In order to coordinate this with the PFI Streets Ahead programme, schemes are still prioritised by their accident record, but limited to those areas included in that year's Streets Ahead programme.

There are currently 110 potential 20mph areas in Sheffield. Since 2012 seventeen sign only 20mph areas have been introduced.

The 20mph speed limit areas consist of a speed limit change but no physical measures to reduce vehicle speeds within the areas. Drivers are alerted to the speed limit by 20mph speed limit repeater signs. 20mph speed limit areas are identified by entry signs to the area together with smaller repeater signs throughout the area.

- 6.2 **Prioritisation procedure** The programme has been determined by choosing the areas with the highest accident records, whilst also co-ordinating the delivery with the Streets Ahead programme where possible. Potential areas suitable for a 20mph speed limit have been identified on maps of each local area partnership showing the classified road network, school locations, existing 20mph areas. The current Council policy is that there is a preference for 20mph areas to include at least one school. The number of schools in each area is listed. It should be noted that where a 20mph does not include a school, there is likely to be one nearby and there will be children making the school journey within that area. This is funded from the South Yorkshire Local Transport Plan.

- 6.3 **Accident Savings Scheme Priority rating** The Council receives numerous requests for road safety measures from local residents and ideally we would like to be able to respond to most of them. However, the limitations on our resources mean that we have to assess and prioritise locations for measures according to a certain criteria. Although we cannot know where the next accident may occur, it is more likely to happen at a location having a history of previous accidents than one with

few or none. In this way we can focus our attentions effectively on locations where measures are most urgently needed.

The accident savings scheme criteria agreed by the Council's Cabinet in 2003, involves a site scoring points based on accident types and numbers. Lengths of road and particular locations (such as a junction or a bend, known as a spot) are prioritised separately. The sites are then listed in priority order with the highest scoring sites first. These sites are then subject to a more detailed analysis of the accident problems and feasibility study to see if there is scope for road safety measures that could be implemented.

In Sheffield we currently implement around two to three accident savings schemes each year. This is funded from the Local Transport Plan.

- 6.4 **School Keep Clear Review** A review of the school 'keep clear' markings at every school in Sheffield. The aim of this project is to determine what interventions are required to allow them to be legally enforced and determine how any necessary remedial works can be programmed most effectively to take account of the 'Streets Ahead' core maintenance programme with Amey.

Traffic regulation orders have been advertised in phases. We have completed phases 1-4. There are now 52 schools that have been completed. Also there are the schools that were already done prior to this project starting (37 schools on the list) so a total of 89 in Sheffield have markings which can be enforced by parking services. Parking services have 2 CCTV enforcement vehicles, 1 of which focusses on enforcement around schools.

Unfortunately, the budget for the School Keep Clear review in the 2015/16 year has been reduced significantly, and work has now been delayed until the start of next financial year.

7.0 **What does this mean for the people of Sheffield?**

- 7.1 Road safety education and engineering bring about a reduction in the number and severity of road traffic collisions, thus helping to create safe and secure communities. Delivering the interventions described in this report will contribute to the creation of a safer residential environment and a Great Place to Live. The activities contribute to the working better together value of the Council's Corporate Plan Standing up for Sheffield.

Outcome & Sustainability

The introduction of the road safety measures described in this report will contribute to the delivery of:

- the 'sustainable and safe transport' objective of the Corporate Plan;
- Policy W of the Sheffield City Region Transport Strategy 2011-2026 (To encourage safer road use and reduce casualties on our roads)

- ;the Council's Vision For Excellent Transport In Sheffield (a better environment; a healthier population; a safer Sheffield);

8. Recommendation

- 8.1 We ask the committee to note the extensive range of interventions being delivered in Sheffield and across South Yorkshire to address road safety for children and young people.

Appendix A

Figure 1. Number of Casualties Aged 0-24 year old Living in Each Ward Who have been involved in a Collision 2005-2014 in South Yorkshire.

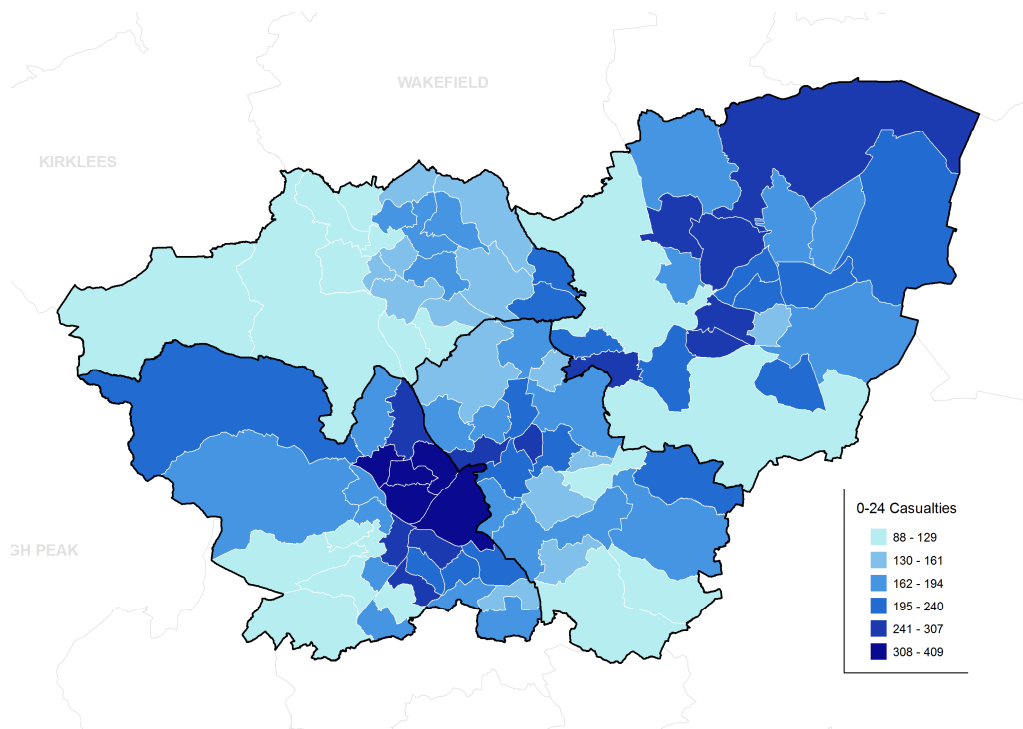


Figure 2. . Number of Casualties Aged 0-16 year old Living in Each Ward Who have been involved in a Collision 2005-2014 in South Yorkshire.

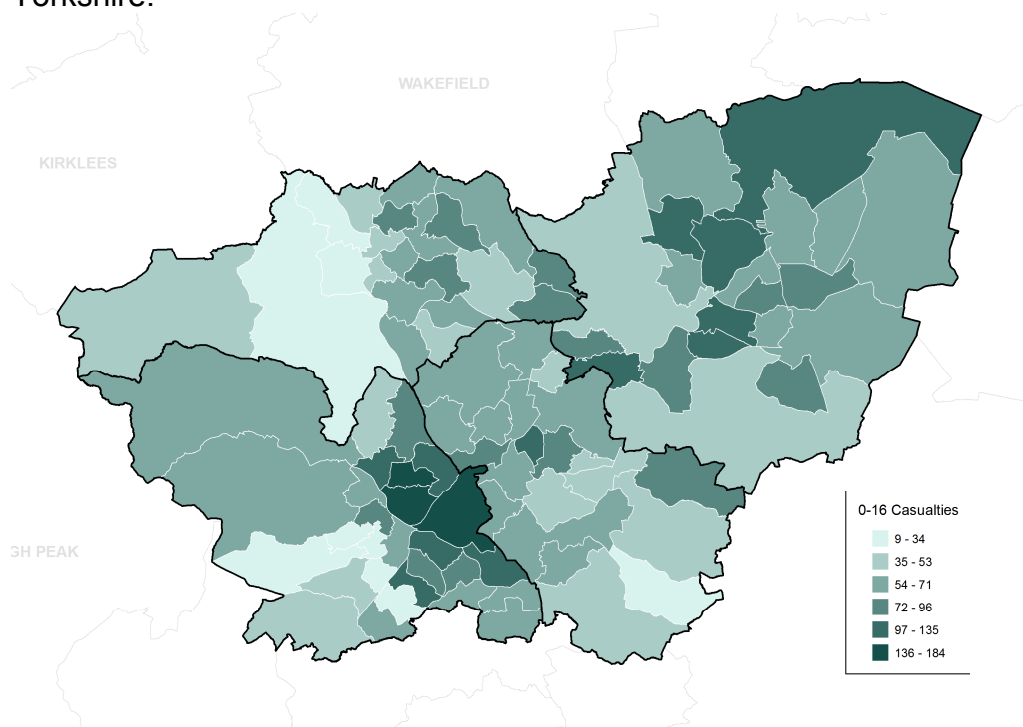
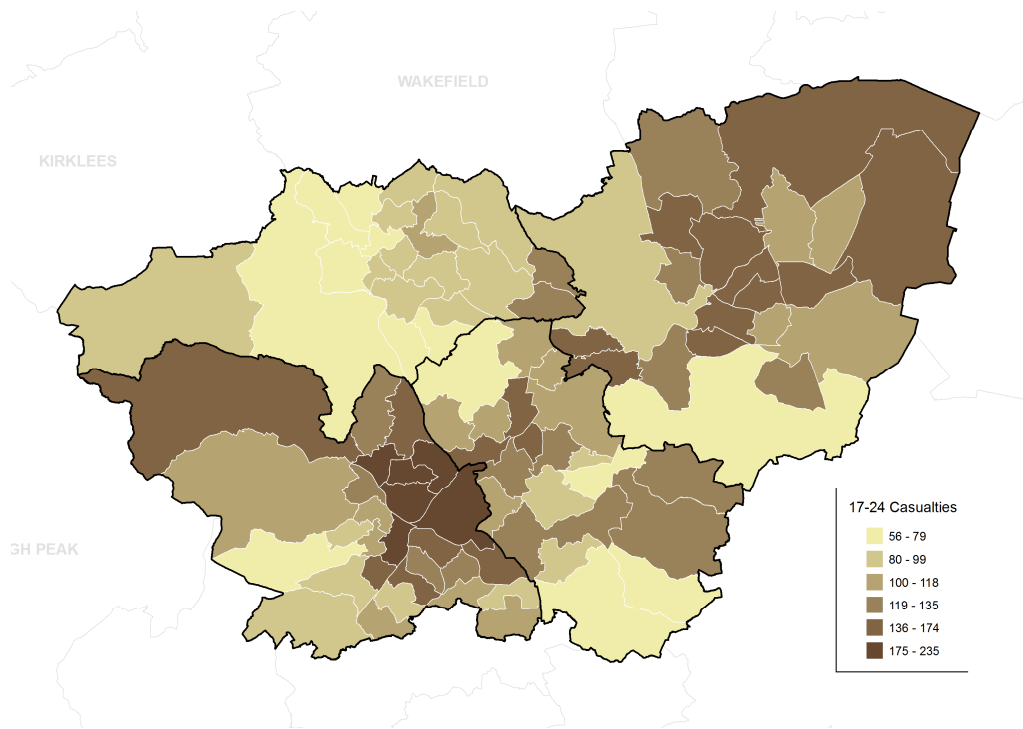


Figure 3. Number of Casualties Aged 17-24 year old Living in Each Ward Who have been involved in a Collision 2005-2014 in South Yorkshire.



Appendix B

Examples of activity and interventions by the SRP partners

Young Drivers:

- Drive for Life Event delivered by a multi-agency team of presenters from the emergency services and local authority road safety teams in sixth forms, colleges, youth training organisations and to young apprenticeship schemes;
- Learn Safe, Drive Safe – delivered by specially trained approved driving instructors as part of the driving lesson, including parental involvement, free post-test driving lessons, e-learning modules and use of black box technology;
- Subaru community engagement vehicle to encourage interaction with young people at events and meeting places;
- Learn and Live delivered to Y10 pupils in schools by SYFR looking at the risks faced by young people when travelling by different modes of transport.

Powered Two Wheelers

- Dedicated motorcycle casualty reduction officer employed by SYFR on behalf of SRP;
- Bikesafe and Skills for Life advanced motorcycle training;
- Sharp Rider enhanced motorcycle training;
- Twist and Go skills for young riders on low powered machines;
- Biker Down first on scene/first aid training for riders;
- Biker Beware signs put up on a temporary basis (April to Oct) on key routes across South Yorkshire which have experienced high levels of motorcycle killed and seriously injured casualties;
- Someone's Son motorcycle safety campaign to encourage drivers to look out for motorcycle riders.

Driving for Work

- Safer Driving at Work sessions held at Lifewise centre – bespoke sessions looking at on-road risk and the responsibilities for businesses who have employees who drive for work;
- Eco-driving training for businesses;

Cyclists

- Bikeability training for Y6 school pupils;
- Urban commuter cycling DVD;
- Tour de France app showing routes for each stage and giving safety advice for cyclists and group riding;
- Look out for each other campaign to urge drivers to look out for cyclists.

Pedestrians

- Practical pedestrian training in schools;
- Y6 transition lessons for pupils moving up to secondary school;
- Y6 attendance at Crucial Crew to receive a series of personal safety interventions including a road safety session;
- Be Bright Be Seen campaign run in autumn with free hi visibility accessories for students, pedestrians and cyclists.

Older road users

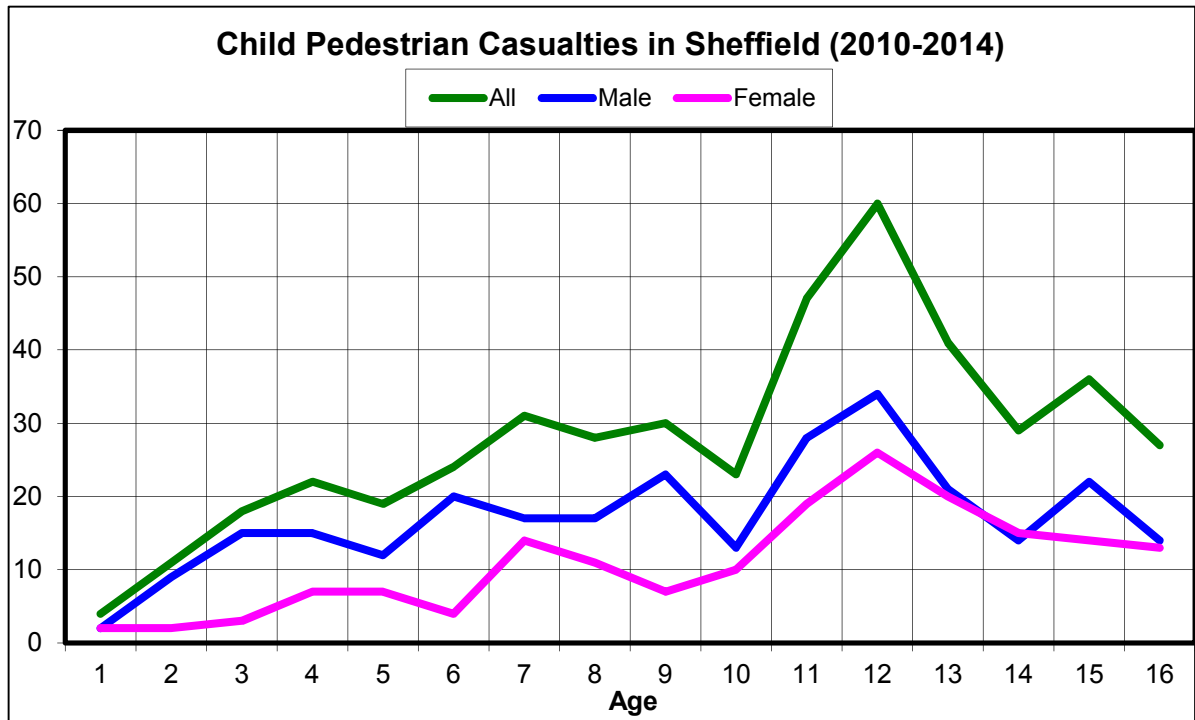
- Scooter Safe - mobility scooter training;
- Drive safe @ 60+ for older drivers.

PR and Communications

- Annual schedule of road safety campaigns including cycle safety, powered two wheeler safety, young driver safety, don't drink and drive, Be Bright, Be Seen;
- Support for national and international campaign weeks promoted by external organisations e.g. UN Global Road Safety Week, Child Accident Prevention Trust's Child Safety Week, Brake's National Road Safety Week;
- Road safety information available online via the Lifewise999 website at <http://www.lifewise999.co.uk/road-safety>;
- Use of social media with a Safer Roads Facebook page and Twitter account;
- Press releases issued on a regular basis to promote the work of the Safer Roads Partnership;
- Calendar of events with SRP staff attending shows, fetes and galas across South Yorkshire and hosting road show events at prominent locations in support of key campaigns.

Appendix C

Graph of Child Pedestrian Casualties (All Severities) aged 0-16 years in Sheffield 2010 – 2014



**Report to Children, Young People
and Family Support Scrutiny &
Policy Development Committee
28th September 2015**



Report of: Jayne Ludlam, Executive Director, Children, Young People & Families

Subject: Children & Families Act 2014

Author of Report: Dorne Collinson

Summary:

The Scrutiny Committee has requested this report in order to receive an update on progress in implementing the new requirements created under the Children & Families Act 2014 for Sheffield.

Type of item: The report author should tick the appropriate box

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| Reviewing of existing policy | |
| Informing the development of new policy | |
| Statutory consultation | |
| Performance / budget monitoring report | |
| Cabinet request for scrutiny | |
| Full Council request for scrutiny | |
| Community Assembly request for scrutiny | |
| Call-in of Cabinet decision | |
| Briefing paper for the Scrutiny Committee | x |
| Other | |

The Scrutiny Committee is being asked to:

The Committee is asked to consider the progress made in implementing the new requirements created under the Children & Families Act and make recommendations for any changes to the continued implementation to comply with the legislation.

Background Papers:

Scrutiny report from January 2015 on Children & Families Act

Category of Report: OPEN

Report of the Executive Director, Children, Young People & Families

Children & Families Act 2014

1. Introduction/Context

- 1.1 The Scrutiny Committee has requested this report in order to receive an update on progress in implementing the new requirements created under the Children & Families Act 2014 for Sheffield.
- 1.2 The new Children & Families Act received royal assent on 13th March 2014. It came into force in September 2014 (other timescales specified throughout the January report).
- 1.3 This report does not repeat the information from the previous report in January 2015 (which is included as a background paper). Rather, it provides an update on progress made since January and any secondary legislation that has been subsequently passed.

2. Children & Families Act 2014

2.1 Part 1: Adoption and Contact

Part 1 of the Act contains provisions to give effect to proposals set out in 'An action plan for adoption: tackling delay' and 'Further action on adoption: finding more loving homes'.

New rules which came into force on 31st October 2014, broaden the range of support that family members can ask for to help facilitate contact. This now allows children and grandchildren including descendants, spouses or adoptive relatives to apply to an intermediary agency for help tracing relatives of the adopted person. Sheffield does not act as an intermediary but signpost to intermediary agencies, but we are permitted to recommend or favour agencies. The Act also extends the role of the intermediary service to provide counselling, support and advice.

Update since January 2015

In Sheffield relatives of adopted adults are sign posted to relevant Intermediary agencies. Birth background report and initial counselling are now offered for all adopted adults living in Sheffield and support other agencies who are undertaking similar work for those who are adopted and from Sheffield.

The Adoption Support Fund was rolled out nationwide from May 2015. Sheffield has made 16 applications to the Adoption Support Fund and been allocated £125,435 since it commenced.

Further support is being created through the South Yorkshire and Humber Adoption Consortium Regional Procurement Task Group. The consortium are creating a list of therapeutic providers to be offered across South Yorkshire.

The Sheffield City Council web site has been updated to inform the public of the range of post Adoption services and support available.

2.2 Part 2: Family Justice

Part 2 of the Act contains provisions relating to recommendations from the independent family justice review. The Act saw time limits introduced further on the length of care proceedings, reducing from 40 weeks to 26 weeks. In 2014 Sheffield was meeting the 40 week target with an average of 39 weeks.

Update since January 2015

The average time for completion of care proceedings in Sheffield is 27.5 weeks. Further work is being completed to reduce this average timescale to be in line with statutory requirements.

The Act also introduced expectations that less reliance would be placed upon the use of expert witnesses in care proceedings. Sheffield only uses experts in exceptional circumstances which is assisting in the timescales for completion but also in managing the cost per proceeding. Social workers need the skills and confidence to fill the gap left by “expert witnesses” and in order to ensure any “skills gap” is met additional training has been developed in court skills.

Social Workers reports are required to be high quality and must contain analysis based on research and evidenced based practice. We have provided additional support, training and resources to social workers to ensure they keep up to date with research and practice. Recent court judgements such as Re BS means it is vital that social work reports are of the highest quality and that they have considered all options for care planning.

The restructure of Children's Social Care is positively impacting upon the reduction of drift and delay in care proceedings thus ensuring children's outcomes are achieved in a timely manner.

Child Arrangements Order replaced Residence and Contact Orders as a consequence of this legislation; this is working well but has created some difficulties for parents due to the removal of legal aid.

2.3 Part 3: Special Educational Needs (SEN)

Part 3 of the Act has a focus on improving outcomes for children and young people with special educational needs and/or disabilities. It extends the SEN system from birth to 25, giving children, young people

and their parents greater control and choice in decisions and ensuring needs are properly met. It takes forward the reform programme set out the green paper: 'Support and aspiration: a new approach to special educational needs and disability' published by the Department for Education on 18 March 2011 and the follow up 'Progress and next steps' published 15 May 2012.

Update since January 2015

Much has been achieved since the last report. Here are some highlights:

- Access and information for parents, carers, young people and others: 'Front door' and single assessment pathway are in development
- A joint Local Authority / Health data set has been produced
- New Ways of Working design - phase one completed
- Joint Arrangements for commissioning drafted – approval September 2015
- Personal budgets available for Education Health & Care
- 285 conversion from statements to EHC meetings held, 263 final plans delivered
- Local Offer consultation with Parents and Young People to inform next version – joint with adult services
- New school funding formula developed – approval September 2015
- Hub for non-school based provision - Kenwood
- Special School satellite hub developed - Bents Green / Westfield
- Post 16 partnership hub – Sheaf – opened September 2015
- Outreach from Integrated Resources into mainstream begun
- Co-production group, parents group up and running
- My plan (pre EHC) prototype developed and being tested by Westfield Family of Schools
- Strong governance structures are in place and managing the programme of work

There is still much to do and the critical next steps are shown below:

| Milestone | Date |
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| Complete batch 1 of conversions | September 2015 |
| Develop and approve interim Education Health & Care Plan and conversion process with Health | September 2015 |
| Deliver interim improvements on database | September - December 2015 |
| KPI Targets in place for conversions and Education Health & Care Plans | September 2015 |
| New Education Health & Care Plan requests (estimated 30 per month) | September 2015 - March 2016 |
| Meetings and issuing draft plans – batch 2 of conversions for the children and young people moving settings (380) | 31 December 2015 |

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| Issue final conversion plans – batch 2 | 15 February 2016 |
| Meetings and issue draft plans – batch 2a of conversions for Y9s (169) | January –February 2016 |
| Issue final conversion plans – batch 2a | March 2016 |
| SEND Ofsted inspection | From January 2016 |

2.4 Part 4: Childcare Reform

Part 4 of the Act contains various provisions relating to childcare, described in More Great Childcare which the Government published on 29 January 2013 and which includes the Government’s response to Professor Cathy Nutbrown’s report, Foundations for Quality (published June 2012). Section 3D of the report refers to the plans to introduce childminder agencies.

Update since January 2015

Childminder agencies

New mechanisms for the registration of childminders via childminder agencies - the initial impact of this measure is expected to be low with no registration of interest at present in Sheffield from any potential agency providers. Nationally only five have registered with Ofsted. The Council may wish to consider how to engage with childminder agencies in the future.

Repealing the duty to provide a childcare sufficiency assessment

A decision was taken to continue with this because the legislation still required local authorities to understand childcare sufficiency. The latest assessment for 2015 has been completed.

<https://www.sheffield.gov.uk/education/information-for-parentscarers/care-support/childcare/childcare-providers/childcare-sufficiency.html>

Removing the requirement for schools to consult on whether to offer additional services

There was some concern that schools might make decisions without due consideration as our option to be consulted as a local authority was removed. However, to date schools looking to lower their age range have sought advice and guidance from the LA.

2.5 Part 5: Welfare of Children

Part 5 of the Act is largely comprised of amendments that were requested by the House of Lords, as such is it is perhaps more wide-ranging than other parts of the Act.

Update since January 2015

Tobacco, e-cigarettes and smoking elements

The Act introduced primary legislation, subsequent regulations have been introduced or consulted on as follows:

The Nicotine Inhaling Products (Age of Sale and Proxy Purchasing) Regulations 2015 have been passed which prohibit sale of devices for inhalation of nicotine to under-18s or buying on behalf of under-18s.

Consultation has taken place regarding Tobacco packaging regulations and these are expected to come into force 20th May 2016. These require plain packaging to be used for tobacco products.

The Smoke-free vehicles: Smoke-free (Private Vehicles) Regulations have been made and come into force on 1st October 2015. These regulations prohibit smoking in a vehicle with a child in it, with the exception of caravans and similar vehicles which are being used as accommodation.

Young Carers

Young carers needs assessment regulations have been produced following consultation and came into force on 1st April this year. These regulations require local authorities to assess whether young carers in their area have needs for support and, if so, to assess what those needs are. These Regulations make further provision about how the local authority must carry out that duty including:

- Carrying out the assessment appropriately and proportionately
- Ensuring the person carrying out the assessment is appropriately trained and has sufficient knowledge and skill to carry out that assessment.
- A duty to consult others with expertise and knowledge in relation to the young carer, as they think appropriate, and having regard to any other assessment which may have been carried out in relation to the young carer or the person cared for and which the local authority consider to be relevant.
- Specific matters that the local authority must consider or determine when carrying out the assessment.

Update since January 2015

There is now an established Young Carers Board which ensures the duties of the Act are implemented. The group has full representation from both statutory and voluntary sector organisations and includes representative Young Carers. There are four sub Groups covering all aspects of the duties, the 'Whole Family Sub Group' has taken responsibility for the development of the assessment.

The Young Carers assessment has been implemented and is being used. The Board is developing a performance management framework for the assessment process to ensure that the needs of Young Carers in the city are captured. Local Authority staff in both MAST and Social Care have been trained to use the assessment and there will be an expanded rollout of this training over the next year which will include Adult Social Care.

To support the assessment process and develop a strong knowledge base there are now a number of Young Carer Champions in MAST, Social Care and Disabilities teams. The remit of the Champions is to support the identification and assessment of the Young Carers and to provide specialist knowledge to staff carrying out the assessments.

The voluntary sector is pivotal to the developments around the Young Carer agenda and has worked closely with the Local Authority and Young Carers themselves to ensure that all developments include the voice and influence of Young Carers. The Young Carers manifesto has been developed and will inform the direction for the review of the broader Carer and Young Carer Strategy.

An important part of the ongoing work is to raise awareness across both the public and universal services of the needs of Young Carers, ensuring that they have full access to all opportunities and reach their full potential. Update since January 2015

Staying Put

Staying Put arrangements describe the circumstances in which CYPF will support a former fostering arrangement beyond a young person's 18th birthday. From the age of 18 young people are no longer legally looked after by the local authority and therefore fostering arrangements no longer apply.

Update since January 2015

Revised Staying Put Procedures have been developed. These focus upon:

- The financial payments that may be made to support the arrangement
- The Social Care requirements associated with extending former fostering arrangements
- The implications for a foster carer regarding, Income Tax, National Insurance and Welfare Benefits

We are currently supporting a number of young people in staying put placements.

2.6 Part 6: Children's Commissioner

Reinforces the role of the national Children's Commissioner, taking forward recommendations in John Dunford's 'Review of the Office of the Children's Commissioner (England)' including giving the commissioner a statutory remit to promote and protect children's rights.

Update since January 2015

There have been no further amendments to the legislation but a new Children's Commissioner (Anne Longfield) has been appointed to fulfil the new role which combines the previous roles of Children's Commissioner and Children's Rights Director.

2.7 Parts 7, 8 and 9: Statutory rights to leave and pay, time off work and right to request flexible working

Part 7 of the Act delivers the legislative commitments made in the government response to the modern workplaces consultation (November 2012), including a new employment right to shared parental leave and statutory shared parental pay for eligible working parents.

Part 8 creates a new right for employees and qualifying agency workers to take unpaid time off work to attend up to two ante-natal appointments with a pregnant woman.

Part 9 provides for the expansion of the right to request flexible working from employees who are parents or carers to all employees, and the removal of the statutory process that employers must currently follow when considering requests for flexible working. The government's policy reforms for the right to request flexible working are set out in its paper 'Modern workplaces - government response on flexible working' (published in November 2012).

Update since January 2015

The regulations on these parts of the Act had already come into force on the date of the last Scrutiny report in January so there is no further update.

3. What does this mean for the people of Sheffield?

- 3.1 The Act is an important piece of legislation aimed at improving outcomes for children and families. There are many positive changes included within it.
- 3.2 Implementation will be expensive and this needs to be considered in the context of broader budget reductions and consequently the impact on other services.

4. Recommendation

- 4.1 The Committee is asked to consider the progress made in implementing the new requirements created under the Children & Families Act and make recommendations for any changes to the continued implementation to comply with the legislation.

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**Children, Young People & Family Support Scrutiny & Policy Development Committee
Work Programme 2015-16 – Draft**

Chair: Cllr Chris Rosling-Josephs

Vice Chair: Cllr Cliff Woodcraft

Meeting papers: [click here](#)

Meeting day/ time: Monday 1-4pm

Please note: the Work Programme is a live document and so is subject to change.

Children, Young People & Family Support

| Proposed Topic | Reasons for selecting topic | Attendee/s | Date |
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| Monday 28th September 2015 | | | |
| Road Safety & Education for Children & Young People in Sheffield | To requests a report to include the following: - An overview of the South Yorkshire Safer Roads Partnership and the Education, Training and Publicity Action Plan - An update on road safety for children and young people in Sheffield including an update on fatalities over the past 10 years and any resulting action taken by the partnership | Joanne Wehrle, Safer Roads Education Manager Karen Vickers Senior Road Safety Officer Dave Lawson, Project Manager | Monday 28th September |
| Children & Families Act – update report | To request an update on how we are delivering the requirements of the Children and Families Act, capturing the different elements of the act, including court proceedings, adoption, and special educational needs | Dorne Collinson, Director of Children and Families Jon Banwell, Dawn Walton, Debbie Mercer, Anna Brook and Suzanne Whiteley | Monday 28th September |

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Agenda Item 9

| Monday 30th November 2015 | | | |
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| Sheffield Safeguarding Children's Board - Annual Report 2014-15 | The Committee consider this report on an annual basis to understand the priorities and performance over the past 12 months. | Trevor Owen, Head of the Safeguarding Children Service and other attendees tbc | Monday 30th November |
| Sheffield Safeguarding Children's Board Annual CSE Report 2014-15 | This is a new annual report which was a recommendation from the internal CSE assessment undertaken in Sheffield in 2014. | Trevor Owen, Head of the Safeguarding Children Service and other attendees tbc | Monday 30th November |
| Support for children with disabilities and their families | This will include an update on the recommendations / outcomes from the "State of Sheffield 2014" survey carried out by Sheffield Parent Carer Forum (the survey involved 320 parents of children and young people with disabilities and / or additional needs from across the city). | Sheffield Parent Carer Forum | Monday 30th November |
| Attainment in Sheffield - headline report | The Committee may choose to request a headline Report (with full report to then follow in January when national comparator data will be available). A headline report would outline the early picture / key points in terms of the attainment statistics for Sheffield. | Antony Hughes, Children's Commissioner & Director of Inclusion & Learning and other attendees tbc | Monday 30th November |
| Monday 25th January 2015 | | | |
| 2014 City Wide Attainment Outcomes in Schools and Academies: Further detail on attainment outcomes for all Key Stages | A detailed report on the attainment statistics for Sheffield and analysis in terms of the available national data / comparators. | Antony Hughes, Children's Commissioner & Director of Inclusion & Learning and other attendees tbc | Monday 25th January |

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| Schools Company (Trust) | To receive an update on work around developing the Schools Company (Trust). | Antony Hughes, Children's Commissioner & Director of Inclusion & Learning and other attendees e.g. Head teacher/s tbc | Monday 25th January |
| Healthy relationship education & emotional health & wellbeing in schools | An update report on how healthy relationship education & emotional health & wellbeing support is being delivered in schools. | Antony Hughes, Children's Commissioner & Director of Inclusion & Learning and other attendees tbc | Monday 25th January |
| Monday 14th March 2016 | | | |
| Looked after Children & Care Leavers Annual Report to Scrutiny | The Committee consider this report on an annual basis to understand the priorities and performance over the past 12 months. | Jon Banwell, Assistant Director - Provider Services and other attendees tbc | Monday 14 th March 2016 |
| Annual Fostering & Adoption Report | The Committee consider this report on an annual basis to understand the priorities and performance over the past 12 months. | Jon Banwell, Assistant Director - Provider Services and other attendees tbc | Monday 14 th March 2016 |
| Youth Services in Sheffield | An update on youth provision in the City including external providers and future plans for the service. | Sam Martin, Assistant Director - Lifelong Learning and Skills | Monday 14 th March 2016 |

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| Monday 25th April 2016 | | | |
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| Annual meeting with Young Carers & Young People | Annual event (closed meeting for scrutiny committee not open to the public) | Diane Owens (SCC) / Emma Hinchcliffe (Sheffield Futures) and other attendees tbc | Monday 25 th April 2016 |

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