

POWYS YOUTH JUSTICE SERVICE

PREVENTION & RESTORATIVE JUSTICE

To provide the best possible service to prevent offending and reoffending, while achieving positive and sustainable outcomes by putting the child first.

Who can refer?

Referrals can be received from any organisation or individual that may have concerns about a young person aged between 8-17 years who might be at risk of getting into trouble. We will not accept any referrals unless we are sure that the young person, parent/carer have agreed to the referral.

Referrals forms can be obtained by emailing:

yjsadmin@powys.gov.uk

What happens next?

Once a referral has been accepted a key worker will be allocated to work with the young person. Their first step will be to arrange a home visit to meet with the young person and their parent/s or carer/s. They will undertake a full assessment with the input of the young person and their parent/s or carer/s. The young person will have time to get to know their key worker and be encouraged to say what support they would like in their plan and how they are supported.



Things that we can work on

- Involved in anti-social behaviour
- Concerns around substance/alcohol misuse (this will require referral to a substance misuse support agency)
- Struggling with feelings and emotions
- Being abusive verbally or physically
- Getting in trouble with the police
- At risk of offending/re-offending
- Harmful/problematic or inappropriate sexual behaviour
- At risk of harming themselves or others
- Advice/signposting for parents

Important to note

- Consent to engage with YJS from both the young person and parents/carers is **required** as part of the referral.
- Working with Youth Justice does not mean the young person is being criminalised. Our work is about preventing this.
- Prevention support is typically around 3 months, however this can be extended based on a young person's needs.