Sefton Centre for Restorative Practice (SCRP)

Sefton Youth Offending Team
Paul Moran
RJ Facilitator

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RJ Development Officer
Sefton (Merseyside)

Population approx 283,000

30,000 between 10 & 17 yrs

2,845 youth offences committed by 1,164 young people recorded in year 2004

Liverpool
The SCRP

- Programme Manager
- 2 x RJ Development Officers
- 1 x RJ Facilitator
- Referral Order Coordinator
- 2 x Victim Support Workers
- 1 x Police Officer
- Admin Support
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YOT
- Family Group Conferences
- RJ Conferences
- Referral Order Panels
- Initial Planning Meetings

Schools
- Secondary
- Primary
- KS3 Behaviour and Support
- Behaviour Improvement Programme
- Education Action Zone
- Victim Inclusion Services
- Parenting Programmes
- Health
- Peer Mediation

Partner Agencies
- Well Young Persons Project
- Voices
- Children's Fund
- Looked after Children

Community Safety
- Housing Organisations
- Neighbour Disputes
- Community Conferences

Acceptable Behaviour Contracts

Anti Social Behaviour Orders

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YISP

Primary

Secondary
YOT

- Family Group Conferences
- Victim Inclusion Services
- YISP
- Community Sentences
- RJ Conferences
- Custodial Sentences
- Initial Planning Meetings
- Referral Order Panels
- Parenting Programmes
- Health

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Feedback

“When I was sad, the mediators took me to Megan and we talked. Then I felt happy. We was playing tag”.

Year 1 pupil.
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YOT

Schools

Community Safety

Partner Agencies

Looked after Children

Behaviour Improvement Programme

Education Action Zone

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Partner Agencies
Achievements

- 9 Real Justice Training Courses
  - Accreditation Workshops
  - Practice Forum
  - Co-facilitation

- 143 Adults trained

- 26 Staff awareness raising sessions
  - Approximately 350 staff

- 23 Awareness sessions for young people
  - Approximately 2700 young people

- 19 Peer mediation projects
  - Approximately 220 young people trained
“I would have benefited from this 30 years ago!!! As a manager I am able to ensure that my staff are also trained in restorative practices. A process I truly believe in.”

*Head Teacher*
Achievements

- 3 Inset days
- 83 Conferences in schools delivered by SCRP staff
- 100+ Conferences delivered by staff trained
- 50+ YOT conferences
- Numerous other presentations
Critical Success Factors

- Shared Targets – thematic groups
- Critical Mass – training
- Key people
- Cultural Change
- Don’t be selective in who you tell – be passionate
Feedback

“I have never been on another course such as this, that has provided me with such relevant info and transferable skills to enhance my role in school and to improve the ethos and community focus of the school”.

Learning Mentor
'Although yet to be fully developed, the recently established Centre for Restorative Practice was a serious and radical attempt to bring about a major change in the way conflicts are resolved, with the potential to reduce the number of cases requiring criminal justice intervention'

(Sefton YOT Inspection 2005:7).
Any Questions?
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Thank You!
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