

Craven Arms Local Joint Committee

Providing group activities for young people; analysis of need and existing activity

Background:

The purpose of this information sheet is to help LJC's consider how best to provide activities for young people aged 10 to 19 years in the future. In the future we want to commission youth activities based on a clear understanding of local need and existing activity.

This represents a first step in gathering intelligence about the needs of young people in the area. An essential part of the local intelligence based on conversations, particularly with young people, should help develop proposals for the local commissioning of youth activities.

Local Youth Priorities:

- Facilities for young people including youth clubs
- Childcare facilities

Summary of Local Needs:

The 2011 Census indicated there were 764 young people aged between 10 and 19 years resident in the area.

Indicators of Local Need

Support for Children with Disabilities

Source: Disabled Children registered with Short Breaks Service, Shropshire Council.

- In terms of disabled children aged 10-19 who are registered with the Short Breaks Service the rate for Craven Arms & Rural LJC is 12 children per 1,000 population aged 10-19 years.
- In comparison the highest rate across all 23 LJC's in Shropshire is 22 per 1,000 population aged 10-19 (Bayston Hill LJC) and the lowest is 5 per 1,000 population aged 10-19 (Bishops Castle, Chirbury, Worthen and Clun).
- Craven Arms & Rural LJC is lower than the rate for Shropshire County as a whole which is 12 per 1,000 aged 10-19.

Deprivation

Source: Indices of Multiple Deprivation 2010 – Overall Deprivation

- In Craven Arms & Rural LJC it is estimated that 296 children per 1,000 population aged 10-19 are living in areas which fall within the most deprived in Shropshire. The LJC with the highest rate (413/1,000 population aged 10-19) is Oswestry.
- The rate for Craven Arms & Rural is less than the estimated rate of 191 per 1,000 population aged 10-19 for Shropshire County.

Education Inclusion

Source: Education Access Statistics, Shropshire Council.

- 46 children per 1,000 aged 10-19 were reported on the Education Access Stats – this compares to 90 per 1,000 in Oswestry LJC which is the highest rate in the County. The lowest rates are in Albrighton LJC and Strettondale LJC (22).
- The rate of 46 per 1,000 population is lower than the Shropshire rate of 57.

Vulnerable Children

Initial Contact Referrals to Social Care, Shropshire Council.

- Craven Arms & Rural LJC has a rate of 48 children per 1,000 aged 0-17 who have an Initial Contact Referral to Social Care. This is the 5th highest amongst the LJC's.
- Oswestry LJC has the highest rate of 64 children per 1,000 aged 0-17 who have an Initial Contact Referral to Social Care. The lowest rate is Albrighton where the rate is 16 children per 1,000 population aged 0-17.
- The Shropshire wide rate is 45 per 1,000 population aged 0-17.

Obesity

- The percentage of childhood obesity: year 6 age 10-11 within the Craven Arms and Rural LJC is 16.6%. In comparison the highest rate is 22.2% (Market Drayton LJC) and the lowest is 12.7% (Cleobury and Rural LJC).

Community Safety (Refers to Anti-Social Behavioural (ASB) Incidents)

Source: West Mercia Police Data April to August 2014

- There were 159 incidents in Craven Arms year end April 2014. This represents a rate of 23.2% when looking at the overall population, lower than the Shropshire rate of 32.8%.

Rurality (population and density)

- The number of 10-19 year olds per sq. mile is 9.1. In comparison, the highest density is 705.6 (Oswestry LJC) and the lowest is 6.2 (Bishops Castle LJC).

