Raising Aspirations Project:

South Derbyshire



Then and Now

The project was originally delivered from September 2009 to October 2014 across Bolsover District, delivering a range of activities and interventions with all of the Secondary Schools and latterly the District's Primaries.

This is a <u>new</u> phase and will be delivered across 5 areas:

- Amber Valley
- Erewash
- South Derbyshire
- High Peak
- Bolsover

Each area has their own priorities and therefore a bespoke approach shall be adopted for each one.

Key Themes

There have been some common priorities identified, therefore activities/initiatives shall be delivered that address:

- Confidence
- Self esteem
- Enhanced employability
- Awareness of education, employment and training (EET) opportunities
- Emotional health and well-being

Delivery is anticipated to include:

- Positive role models
- Mentoring and intensive support
- Motivational input
- Exposure to opportunities of EET
- Parents and carers involvement

South Derbyshire

The additional requirement for South Derbyshire is a focus on:

Working with parents

The identified school to benefit from the delivery is:

 William Allitt School plus the communities around the school, namely Newhall.

There is a desire to assist The Pingle School and Granville Sports College; options are being explored if additional funding can be allocated.



Approach

2015

May/June Meet with key stakeholders

June/July Develop the plan

August Consult on the proposed plan

September Launch project and engage first participants

October Delivery to commence

December Review progress and update Key stakeholders and

plan next phase

The project shall evolve and the shape of the project shall be determined by the young people and the communities involved.

Raise Aspirations – How?

Support shall be delivered through:

- A Raising Aspirations Co-ordinator
- A Raising Aspirations Employability Worker
- Other Contributors
- Commissioned Activities

There shall be a number of core initiatives that could be delivered, including:

- Enhanced work placements
- Aspirational Employer visits students and parents
- Networking opportunities CPD for staff
- Recognising and celebrating success for all taking part

Who will benefit

- Participants shall be identified by the School(s) with a variety of criteria, all of which is contributing to them being at risk of failing to reach their potential.
- This programme is preventative and aims to stabilise young people in education before they opt out.
- The activities shall place an importance on the wider network and seek to include parents/carers.
- Organisations locally, will be actively involved in the project due to their expertise and local knowledge.

Local links

In addition to linking with strategic forums, links will be made with local deliverers and initiatives, including, but not limited to:

- Job Club
- ALICE
- Dig-it
- 'Love Newhall' programme
- People Express arts group
- CAB
- 'Your Choice'

It is apparent that there are many projects that the programme will need to work alongside, which will be mutually beneficial, adding value for local young people and families.

A Request

- Extend invitations to the Contract manager to attend relevant local meetings, groups etc..
- Ask questions
- Advise on developments
- Be involved!





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