



Inspection of
Youth
Offending

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PUBLICATION OF INSPECTION REPORT Inspection of Youth Offending work in Nottingham City

The latest inspection report of Youth Offending work in England and Wales was published today.

Julie Fox, Assistant Chief Inspector, said:

“This Core Case Inspection of youth offending work in Nottingham City took place as part of the Inspection of Youth Offending programme. We have examined a representative sample of youth offending cases from the area, and we have judged how often the Public Protection and the Safeguarding aspects of the work were done to a sufficiently high level of quality.

“We judged that the Safeguarding aspects of the work were done well enough 81% the time. With the Public Protection aspects, work to keep to a minimum each individual’s *Risk of Harm to others* was done well enough 72% the time, and the work to make each individual less likely to reoffend was done well enough 78% the time. A more detailed analysis of our findings is provided in the main body of this report, and summarised in a table in Appendix 1. These figures can be viewed in the context of our findings from Wales and the regions of England inspected so far – see the Table below.

“Nottingham City Youth Offending Team had, over the last year, focused on improving the quality of work undertaken to protect the public and to safeguard children. This was having an impact. The staff team were committed to their work with children and young people particularly those from diverse backgrounds and

often with complex needs. Supported by effective partnership working we found that resources had been used well.

“As such, Nottingham City Youth Offending Team is in a strong position to address the areas for improvement and build upon the strengths identified by this inspection.

“Overall, we consider this a creditable set of findings”.

	Scores from Wales and the English regions that have been inspected to date			Scores for Nottingham City
	Lowest	Highest	Average	
'Safeguarding' work <i>(action to protect the young person)</i>	37%	91%	68%	81%
'Risk of Harm to others' work <i>(action to protect the public)</i>	36%	86%	62%	72%
'Likelihood of Reoffending' work <i>(individual less likely to reoffend)</i>	43%	88%	71%	78%

NOTES TO EDITORS

1. The report is available at www.justice.gov.uk/about/hmi-probation/.
2. This Inspection of Youth Offending (IYO) programme started in April 2009. Youth Offending work in all 158 areas of England & Wales will be inspected over the course of a three-year cycle.
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