**MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MONITORING VISIT**

**Visit by: Chris Jackson (Management Committee) Date: 9th October 2018**

**Purpose of Visit: PDBW – Term 1 Quality Assurance Visit (Focus – 2017 – 2018 Outcomes - Reintegration, destinations, attendance)**

**Present: Marie Woolston (HT) Siobhan Price (DHT) Abigail Woodhouse (DHT)**

This was my first visit since being accepted on to the Management Committee and I met at The Westcourt Centre where my identification was checked and I was made aware of the Provision’s Safeguarding Procedures and given a paper copy which I was required to read.

I received a tour of the provision and it was explained that the Year 10 cohort had recently transferred to the setting and the year 11s were more established. During my tour it was clear that the stability of time in the service was having a positive effect on the Year 11 young people and one pupil took great delight in showing me the bench that he had made. The future provision for the Year 10s was being considered.

We then discussed the responsibility for monitoring the young people’s attendance when they were in the service and the first day calling is made by the Pastoral Leads at each Centre. Home visits are made when there is an ongoing concern about the whereabouts of a young person and in addition Police Welfare Checks are going to be considered where appropriate. The Headline Attendance Data from Term 1 2017 to Exam Attendance in Term 6 shows that 79% of the young people had improved attendance over the course of the year. Further work to continue the upward trend in attendance is being investigated, potentially by the utilisation of an external provider to supplement the work already in place. Current attendance data for term 1 was being affected by the new young people entering the service so case studies will be produced to evidence the progress made.

Sims is used to track behaviour and following some external guidance the staff have amended the risk assessments that are produced, for each young person, to ensure they are personalised even further. The newly appointed SENCO is continuing to further review the provision that is in place for all the young people. Preadmission meetings are in place with stakeholders, prior to the young person starting in the service, to ensure their transition is smooth and effective. Despite this, Marie reported that recently an external agency did not disclose fully disclose the necessary information about the young person. Marie has taken action to address this with the external agency. Reintegration Data for Key Stage 3 and 4 shows 76% of young people were reintegrated.

Recommendations:

* Consider some individual case studies to highlight the many successes in improving attendance
* Consider Police Welfare Checks where appropriate