



PROJECT SUMMARY

PS Plus 3 (LINK) – HMP Featherstone

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This report has been compiled to give information about the offenders (beneficiaries) worked with on the PS Plus 3 (LINK) project in HMP Featherstone - a male closed category C prison in the West Midlands.

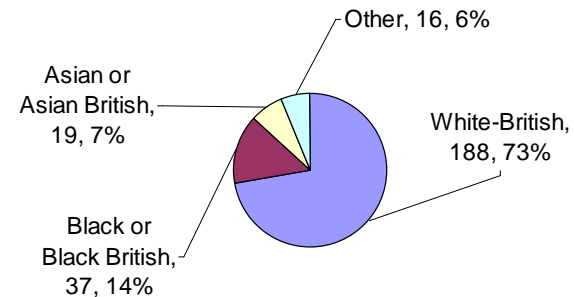
The project ran for 9 months between 1st April 2007 and 31st December 2007, in which time 260 beneficiaries were started on the project. At its peak, it is estimated that the project worked with approximately 20% of the prison population.

Of the 260 beneficiaries started, 23% (61) left the project early with 90% of these transferring to a non-PS Plus LINK prison establishment.

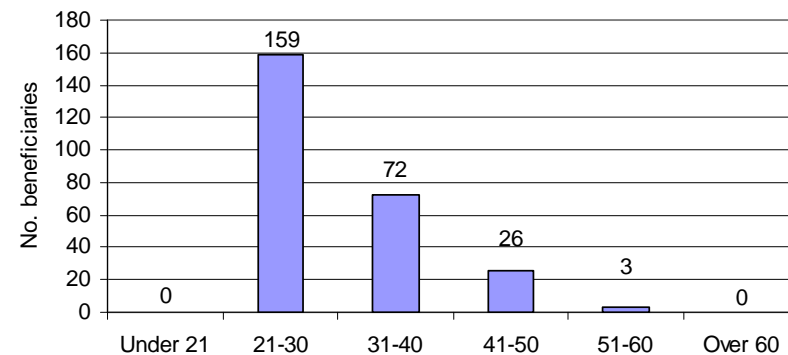
Demographics

- 73% (188) of the beneficiaries started in Featherstone were White-British. 27% (72) of the beneficiaries were from ethnic minority groups, and 2 beneficiaries were from outside the United Kingdom.
- 44% (159) of beneficiaries started in Featherstone were aged between 21 and 30, with the average age on starting the project being 34 years and 2 months.
- The most common offence type of beneficiaries started in Featherstone was theft, robbery or burglary (50%) followed by violent offences (25%).

Ethnic Origin



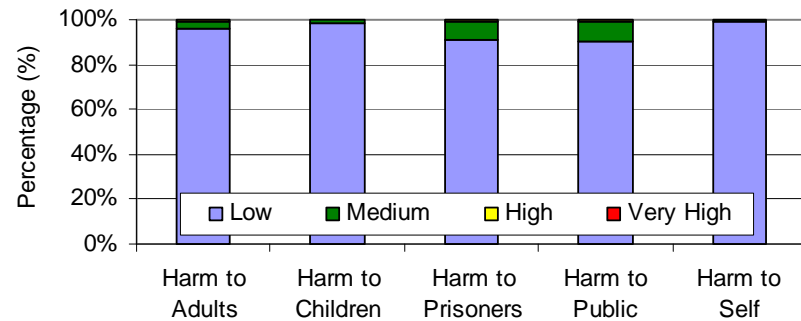
Age Groups



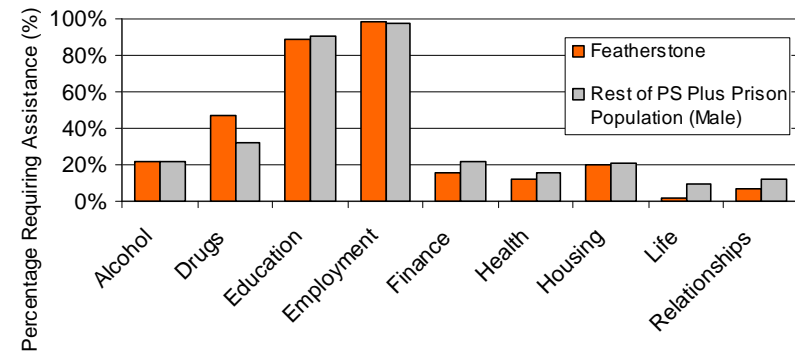
Assessment

- For the majority of prisoners (where known), the level of risk posed towards adults, children, other prisoners, the public and themselves is low. Less than 1.5% were classed as high or very high risk in each category.
- Every beneficiary required help with either employment or education. 255 (98%) beneficiaries required help with employment, while 225 (87%) required help with both employment *and* education.
- 155 beneficiaries were identified as requiring assistance with substance abuse, with 22% and 47% of beneficiaries requiring help with alcohol and drugs issues respectively.
- Comparison to the rest of the beneficiaries worked with in male PS Plus prisons shows that beneficiaries started at Featherstone were significantly *more* likely to require assistance with drugs issues. Analysis shows that beneficiaries started at Featherstone were significantly *less* likely to require assistance with financial, life and relationship problems.
- Comparison to the rest of the beneficiaries worked with in other male PS Plus prisons shows that beneficiaries at Featherstone were just as motivated on starting the project.

Risk Levels



Assessed Need



Soft Outcomes

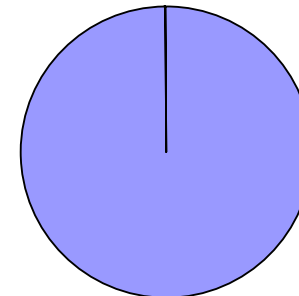
- 637 soft outcomes were achieved by Featherstone.
- 77% (203) of the beneficiaries worked with at Featherstone achieved at least one outcome while there.
- 151 beneficiaries received advice and guidance at Featherstone.
- 203 beneficiaries received assistance with employment issues.
- 195 beneficiaries received assistance with education or training issues.

Qualifications

- 154 courses or qualifications were taken by beneficiaries on the PS Plus project at Featherstone, of which all were passed.
- PS Plus beneficiaries completed courses in a wide range of subjects, from skills for life to customer service.
- 14 adult literacy and adult numeracy courses, and 23 health and safety courses were passed.

<u>Soft outcomes gained</u>	<u>No. bens</u>
Advice On Disclosure	148
CV Assisted	125
Portfolio Of Achievement	100
Job Club	81
Non-NVQs Gained	63
Accessed Beneficiary Fund	56
IAG Assistance	21
CSCS - Health And Safety Test	19
NVQs Gained	19
Other	5

Exam Results



Passed,
154, 100%

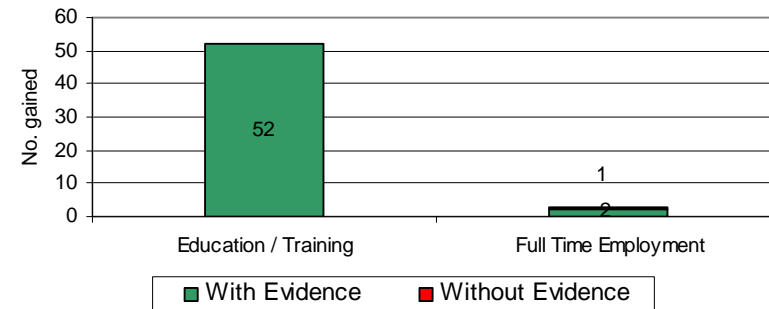
Hard Outcomes

- 54 hard outcomes were recorded by PS Plus staff.
- 53 hard outcomes had sufficient evidence for ESF auditing purposes.
- Beneficiaries successfully achieved 2 employment outcomes and 51 education/training outcomes while on PS Plus 3.
- Employment included building refurbishment and demolition, while education/training ranged from construction to fork lift truck training.

Summary

- Overall, Featherstone started 260 beneficiaries, achieved 54 hard ETE outcomes and 690 soft outcomes on the PS Plus 3 (LINK) project.

Hard ETE Outcomes



Outcomes Gained

