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PROJECT SUMMARY

PS Plus 3 (LINK) – HMP Stafford

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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 Stafford - 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 452 beneficiaries were started on the project. At its peak, it is estimated that the project worked with approximately 35% of the prison population.

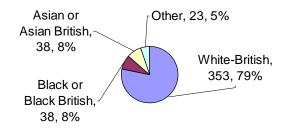
Of the 452 beneficiaries started, 4% (18) left the project early with two thirds of these transferring to a non-PS Plus prison establishment.

Demographics

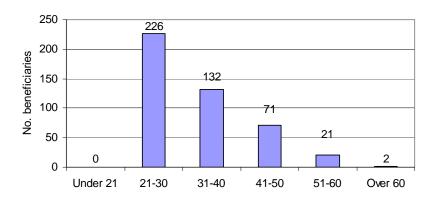
- 79% (353) of the beneficiaries started in Stafford were White-British. 21% (99) of the beneficiaries were from ethnic minority groups, and 8 beneficiaries were from outside the United Kingdom (where known).
- 50% (226) of beneficiaries started in Stafford were aged between 21 and 30, with the average age on starting the project being 32 years 11 months.
- The most common offence type of beneficiaries started in Stafford was theft, robbery or burglary (35%) followed by sex offences (25%).



Ethnic Origin



Age Group



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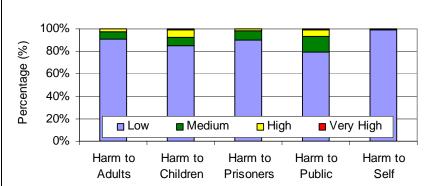






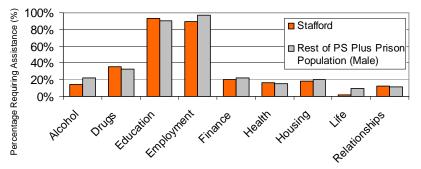
Assessment

- 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 7.5% were classed as high or very high risk in each category.
- Every beneficiary required help with either employment or education. 403 (89%) beneficiaries required help with employment, while 376 (83%) required help with both employment and education.
- 194 beneficiaries were identified as requiring assistance with substance abuse, with 14% and 35% 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 Stafford were significantly *more* likely to require assistance with education issues. Analysis shows that beneficiaries started at Stafford were significantly *less* likely to require assistance with alcohol, employment, and life issues.
- Comparison to beneficiaries worked with in other male PS Plus prisons shows that beneficiaries in Stafford were significantly *more motivated* on starting the project.



Risk Level

Assessed Needs



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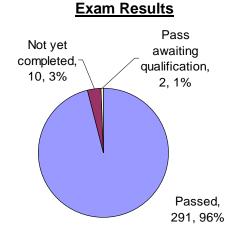
Soft Outcomes

- 711 soft outcomes were achieved by Stafford.
- 65% (294) of the beneficiaries worked with at Stafford achieved at least one outcome while there.
- o 224 beneficiaries received advice and guidance.
- 291 beneficiaries received assistance with employment issues.
- 279 beneficiaries received assistance with education or training issues.

Qualifications

- 293 courses or qualifications were passed by beneficiaries on the PS Plus project at Stafford.
- PS Plus beneficiaries completed courses in a wide range of subjects, from first aid to electronics.
- 126 adult literacy and adult numeracy courses, and 26 health and safety courses were passed.

Soft outcomes gained	No. bens
Advice On Disclosure	215
CV Assisted	116
Portfolio Of Achievement	109
NVQs Gained	71
Non-NVQs Gained	58
Accessed Beneficiary Fund	52
Job Club	34
CSCS - Health And Safety Test	27
IAG Assistance	14
Attended ECDL	5
Other	10





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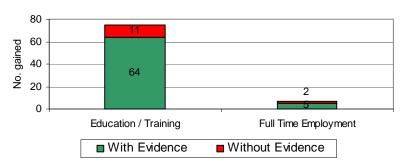
Hard Outcomes

- o 82 hard outcomes were recorded by PS Plus staff.
- 69 hard outcomes had sufficient evidence for ESF auditing purposes.
- Beneficiaries successfully achieved 5 employment outcomes and 64 education/training outcomes while on PS Plus 3.
- Employment ranged from working in a family restaurant to shop work, while education/training ranged from the Construction Skills Certificate Scheme (CSCS) test to sports nutrition.

Summary

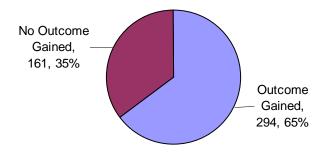
 Overall, Stafford started 452 beneficiaries, achieved 69 hard ETE outcomes and 711 soft outcomes on the PS Plus 3 (LINK) project.





Hard ETE Outcomes







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