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PROJECT SUMMARY

PS Plus 3 – Warwickshire Probation

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This report has been compiled to give information about the offenders (beneficiaries) worked with on the PS Plus 3 project by Warwickshire probation. The project ran for 27 months between Warwickshire and June 2008, in which time 916 beneficiaries started on the project. At its peak, it is estimated that the Warwickshire probation worked with approximately 320 beneficiaries.

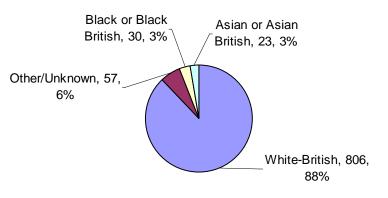
10 beneficiaries were also worked with in Warwickshire who had started on the project in a PS Plus prison, including 5 from HMP Stocken and 2 from HMP Ashwell, allowing PS Plus intervention to be continued upon release.

Demographics

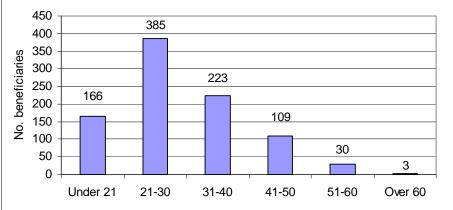
- 88% (806) of the beneficiaries started in Warwickshire were White-British. 12% (109) of the beneficiaries were from ethnic minority groups (where known), and 23 beneficiaries were from outside the United Kingdom.
- 42% (385) of beneficiaries started in Warwickshire were aged between 21 and 30, with the average age on starting the project being 29 years 9 months.
- The most common offence type of beneficiaries started in Warwickshire was violent offences (31%) followed by theft, burglary or robbery (24%).



Ethnic Origin



Age Groups



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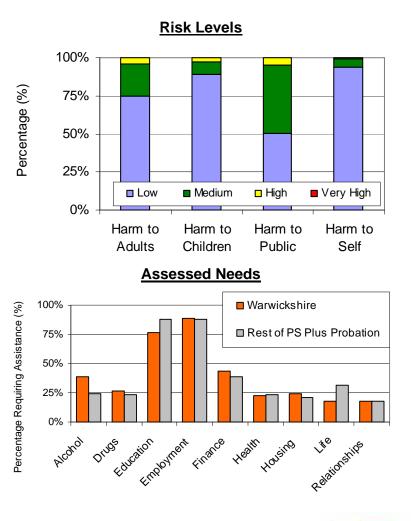




Assessment

- For the majority of prisoners (where known), the level of risk posed towards adults, children, staff, the public and themselves is either low or medium. Less than 5% were classed as high or very high risk in each category.
- Every beneficiary required help with either employment or education. 810 (88%) beneficiaries required help with employment, while 623 (68%) required help with both employment and education.
- 514 beneficiaries were identified as requiring assistance with substance abuse, with 39% and 27% of beneficiaries requiring help with alcohol and drugs issues respectively.
- Comparison to the rest of the beneficiaries worked with in PS Plus probation areas shows that beneficiaries started at Warwickshire were significantly *more* likely to require assistance with alcohol, drugs, finance and housing issues. Analysis shows that beneficiaries started at Warwickshire were significantly *less* likely to require assistance with education and life issues.
- Comparison to beneficiaries worked with in other PS Plus probation areas shows that beneficiaries in Warwickshire were significantly more motivated on starting the project.





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Soft Outcomes

- o 2677 soft outcomes were achieved by Warwickshire.
- 99% (919) of the beneficiaries worked with in Warwickshire achieved at least one outcome while there.
- o 918 beneficiaries received advice and guidance.
- o 919 beneficiaries received assistance with employment issues.
- 909 beneficiaries received assistance with education or training issues.

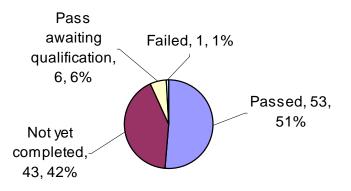
Qualifications

- 59 courses or qualifications were passed by beneficiaries on the PS Plus project at Warwickshire.
- PS Plus beneficiaries completed courses in a wide range of subjects, from health and safety to painting and decorating.
- 37 adult literacy and 8 adult numeracy courses were passed.

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Soft Outcomes Gained	<u>No.</u> Bens
IAG Assistance	915
Advice On Disclosure	909
Accessed Beneficiary Fund	231
Job Club	151
Basic skills	95
Other Programme	74
Housing Advice/Interview	61
CV Assisted	54
Non-NVQs Gained	31
Job Preparation	30
Progress To Work Interview	24
Other Motivational Programme	23
Other	79

Exam Results



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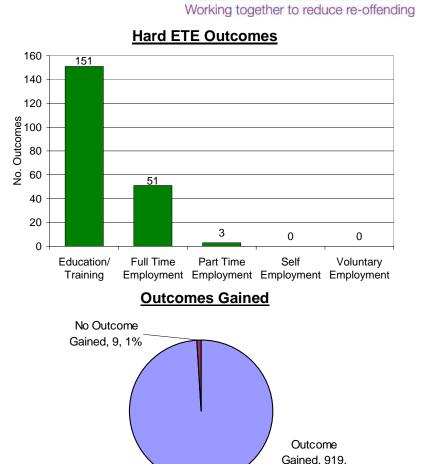


Hard Outcomes

- o In total 239 hard outcomes were recorded by PS Plus staff.
- 205 hard outcomes had sufficient evidence for ESF auditing purposes.
- In addition 6 supplementary hard outcomes were evidenced.
- Beneficiaries successfully achieved 54 employment outcomes and 151 education/training outcomes while on PS Plus 3.
- Employment ranged from plumbing to glazing, while education/training ranged from construction to fork lift truck training.

Summary

 Overall, Warwickshire started 916 beneficiaries, achieved 205 hard ETE outcomes and 2677 soft outcomes on the PS Plus 3 project.



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