



Youth Justice Plan 2026-29

What is the Youth Justice Plan?

The Youth Justice Plan tells you some of the things we have done over the last year to support children we work with, and the people who may have been harmed by their actions. It also talks about things we plan to do over the next 3 years to make sure we are doing our best to help.

If you have any questions about this plan, you can ask your YJS Officer for more information.



Do you want to have your say on the things the YJST does? Join the YP4All Group!



What is YP4All?

- A space for you to have a voice
- Help us come up with ideas of what we could do differently
- Be involved in what we do
- Help us spend money on things that benefit you

**Speak to the person from our team
supporting you to get involved!**

Who did we work with in 2025/26?

We worked with more boys than girls

We worked with more 16 and 17 year olds than other age groups



We worked with more children from Black and Mixed ethnic backgrounds than we would expect to, given the population of Buckinghamshire

Just over half of those we worked with needed additional educational support



Around half of those we worked with were on voluntary programmes, meaning they chose to engage with us

What do people say about working with us?

“I felt like they didn’t judge me and cared about my future”

“I was able to have my voice heard and felt like my worker understood both sides”.

“I now know that I can have a voice and understand that I am allowed to have a safe space”

“(My son) has been able to speak freely and learnt how to be remorseful. He has been given the opportunity to learn and make better choices in the future”

“The YJST worker has changed our lives around. She is very supportive and goes out of her way to help him, help us and get help from other services.”



What does the data tell us?



Fewer children received a caution or court sentence for the first time in 2026 than in 2025

The rate that children go on to commit new offences is a lot lower in Buckinghamshire than nationally



The rate of children going into custody in Buckinghamshire is lower than nationally

We also collect data on a range of other things including accommodation, education and substance misuse. If you are interested in knowing more, just ask your YJS Officer.

What will our priorities be over the next 3 years?

Setting up a group for those who have been harmed, giving them a voice in everything the YJST does

Making sure that persons harmed can access different types of help, including education and health support



Support anyone harmed by an offence with what they need to move forward



Working with local businesses so there are more chances for you to give something back to your community

Find different ways to get feedback from persons harmed to help grow the way we work with them

**Supporting each of
you with your hopes
and dreams for the
future, helping you
find ways to achieve
them**

**Finding more
activities that you
can take part in
while you work with
us**

**Provide every child we work
with opportunities for
positive change, to help
prevent offending**

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**Making sure that you
play a key role in
changing the way
the YJST works with
children and families**

**Making sure the right
support is there for
you at the right time**

**Talking to you about
what problems you
have experienced
with education and
finding ways to solve
these**

**Working with other
professionals to
make sure everyone
has the same
opportunities**



**Support every child we work
with to stay in education that
works for them**



**Building links with
local businesses for
work experience and
apprenticeships**

**Offer support to
those providing
education and
training, so they can
help you to keep
engaging**

This plan was created with feedback from young people.

If you want to know more about what we did last year and other things we will be doing over the next 3 years, you can check out our full Youth Justice Plan 2026-29