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Youth justice

The aim of the youth justice system is to prevent re-offending by children and young people.

The youth offending service is made up of staff from children's services, the police, Lancashire Probation Trust and health.

How we help

Young people who are convicted and sentenced by the youth court are assessed using a national structured assessment tool. It identifies the problems that have influenced the young person's offending, measures the risk they may pose to others and if they themselves are vulnerable to harm.

Thorough assessment enables the team to identify suitable programmes to reduce the likelihood of further offending, to protect the public and to keep the young person safe. Those who fail to comply with the requirements of their court order are returned to court.

Young people sentenced to custody are supervised by the youth offending team on their release on licence. The service ensures that their resettlement into the community is supported and supervised effectively to reduce the likelihood of further offending.

The youth offending team works closely with a range of other agencies responsible for the supervision and support of the very small number of young people who pose a very high risk to the community, or who may have very complex needs and who are highly vulnerable.

Victims are encouraged and supported to take part in 'restorative justice' where young people apologise or make up for the harm their offending has caused.

Contact

You can contact the Blackpool youth offending team at:

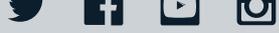
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