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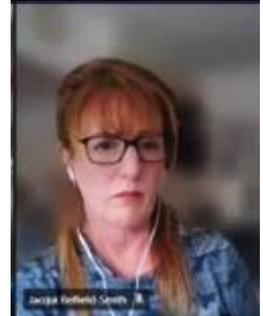
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News from the AYM Executive Board



Members of the Executive have been busy once again, amongst other things, responding to consultations.

In addition to this our Vice Chair, Jacqui Belfield-Smith was a speaker at the Just for Kids Law (JfKL) conference on Monday 21st February, to support the launch of JfKL's new briefing paper, ***'It's horrible when they keep you in there at night.'***



Jacqui was speaking about reducing the overnight detention of children in police custody, focussing on the Greater Manchester experience of this. However, as a result of her portfolio lead for this issue for the AYM, she was also able to bring a national perspective to the need to reduce overnight detention and issues surrounding this, following feedback from AYM members.

As a result of the conference, JfKL have made a number of key recommendations, including the call for a National Police Chief's Council strategy to ensure that police detention is only used as a matter of last resort and for the shortest possible time for all children.

To read more about the report go to page 5 of this bulletin.

Following the publication of the recent Joint Youth Justice Policy paper of the AYM, Local Government Association and the Association of Directors of Children's Services, Jacqui will also be attending a virtual meeting with Alan Webster, Deputy Director at the Ministry of Justice with the ADCS president, vice president and youth justice lead, and a representative of the LGA

Portfolio Reference Groups

Just a reminder following our announcement last month about our intention to create portfolio reference groups to support the AYM's responses to consultations and policy development for youth justice.



If you are interested in helping shape the direction of youth justice we would love to hear from you. Our first two reference groups will focus on .

- Safeguarding – being led by Charlie Spencer
- Youth Ambassador Network – being led by Pat Jennings

If you are interested in becoming part of a portfolio reference group please contact the relevant lead:

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or

pat.jennings@bedford.gov.uk



Consultations

Thanks to the support of our portfolio lead for courts, Jessica Edwards and Celia Payne, our West Midlands Regional Representative, the AYM was able to provide a response to the consultation from the 'Delivering justice for victims: A consultation on improving victims' experiences of the justice system'. As a result of feedback from a number of youth offending services, the AYM was able to give a response which gave feedback with live examples and some recommendations for improvement.

The Executive would like to say, thank you to all those who provided information to support the AYM response to this important consultation.

To view AYM responses to consultations [click here](#)



'Just For Kids Law' (JfKL) provide training for practitioners regarding a variety of legal issues.

JfKL is interested to hear from YOT Managers about legal training they might find useful for the organisation to provide.

If you have any thoughts about what training you would find useful for them to provide, please contact:

Jacqui.belfield-smith@stockport.gov.uk



A Note from the Editor....

For those that received a copy of the February edition of the AYM Bulletin which had a date error in it, I apologize. It seems subconsciously I was still waiting for Christmas! Never mind, it's March now and spring is here, or so they tell me.....

A red circular graphic with the word 'OOPS!' in white, bold, capital letters.

Enjoy March!

Lesley

Youth Justice Sector Improvement Partnership



Coaching and mentoring

The Youth Justice Sector Improvement Partnership board would like to extend a thank you and welcome to this week's new group of trained YJSIP coaches/mentors who spent two intense days immersed in all things coaching and mentoring. It was a great opportunity to not only embed coaching and mentoring principles, but to network and get to know youth justice colleagues from other regions. YJSIP is working on its referral process so keep a look out in the bulletin for updates about how you can request a coach or mentor, in the coming months.

EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST: Peer review training

The next Peer Review training event is provisionally booked at Warwick University for 23rd to 25th May, 2022.

The event is targeted at Heads of Service and focused around the skills and expertise required to lead Peer Reviews over the next year.

This will be an 'in-person' event at Warwick with 16 fully funded places available, with travel expenses reimbursed and accommodation provided.

Delegates will then become part of the growing YJSIP Peer Review community, committing to leading at least one peer review or bespoke peer review challenge annually.

The training will provide:

- a clear understanding of the Peer Review process
- an understanding of what is involved in being a peer reviewer and the competencies required
- an opportunity to participate in a simulated peer review to demonstrate those competencies
- an overview of the leadership requirements within the review process
- an opportunity for colleagues to network, learn and have fun!

If you are interested, please contact your regional YJSIP lead in the first instance.

If your region does not currently have a YJSIP regional representative, please email yjsipadmin@aym.org.uk for further information.

Ending the Overnight Detention of Children in Police Custody

Just for Kids Law Publish New Briefing



Just for Kids Law (JfKL) has published a new briefing paper '***It's horrible when they keep you in there at night***', which was launched at a national conference on 21st February.

The report considers the overnight detention of children in police custody looking at the latest data and developments on this issue and makes a number of recommendations for change in policy and practice, aimed at safeguarding children from overnight detention in police cells.

The report states, that despite there being :

'no available national published data on the number of occasions in which children are detained in police custody each year, including overnight detention'.....

'Independent Custody Visitors (ICV) reported the detention of children in cells in similar conditions to adult cells and failure to make adjustments to support children's emotional welfare.'

JfKL go on to say '*Worryingly, young participants described hunger and being held in dirty and cold conditions. These findings resonate with what we see in our direct legal practice.*'

The research found that despite some reduction in overnight detention being reported, the picture is not consistent. One police force area was found in 2019 to have detained a 16-year-old girl for nearly five days (4 days and 10 hours) post-charge and a 10-year old child for 23 hours; in 2021 data for this force area revealed that a 16-year-old boy was detained for 5 days (5 days and 17 hours) following a warrant being issued for his arrest.

Racial disparities continue to exist for black and minority ethnic children, and the data also shows '*the very young age of those who are detained overnight, and the lengthy time periods that children are being held*'.

JfKL makes a number of recommendations calling amongst other things, increased monitoring, reviewing and reporting of overnight detention by the government, police forces, local authorities and the Association of Directors of Children's Services.

There is a call for training for sentencers and a recommendation for the government to proactively encourage local authorities and police forces to sign up to the Home Office Concordat on Children in Custody.

To read the report [click here](#)

New contracts for Intermediary Service Awarded

HMCTS has announced a new service framework that will standardise support for court and tribunal service users; providing clear guidance, standard booking processes and set prices. The service commences in April 2022.

The intermediary service is for those individuals who require specialist communication support to participate in a court or tribunal hearings.

In announcing the award of contracts to deliver the service, HMCTS state:

'finding the right intermediary service is vital in assuring access to justice. Until recently, these support services have been unregulated, with no approved suppliers or set quality standards.'

Intermediaries are communication specialists who work on behalf of HMCTS to support vulnerable users to participate in a court or tribunal hearing. They provide impartial recommendations to HMCTS about a service user's specific communication needs and outline the steps needed to achieve them.

Legal representatives and HMCTS staff can select an intermediary from an approved list of suppliers, of which there are two types:

- Managed and Approved Service Providers (MASP) that are larger providers who manage the service on behalf of HMCTS nationally; and
- Approved service providers (ASP) that are usually small companies or self-employed individuals.

Further guidance and information about the Appointed Intermediary Service will be available on the government website in April 2022.

For more information [click here](#)

Children's Mental Health



Children's Commissioner's Fifth Annual Report

The Children's Commissioner has published the fifth annual report on children's mental health service provision in England. The report examines the following at both a national and local Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) level:

- Spending on children's mental health;
- Numbers of children referred to and accessing Children and Young People's Mental Health Service (CYPMHS);
- Numbers of children referred that were not accepted into treatment during the 2019/20 financial year, as proxied by the numbers not receiving two contacts with CYPMHS; and
- Average waiting times.

As with last year's report, we provide a summary score for each CCG based on five key indicators of CYPMHS performance, with 25 being the maximum possible score available, the indicators used are:

- CCG spending on children's mental health as a percentage of total CCG allocation;
- Mental health spend per child;
- Total number of children referred to children's mental health services as a proportion of the under-18 population;
- The percentage of referrals that are closed before treatment; and
- Average waiting time for children who receive a second contact.

The report provides a summary score for each CCG against five key indicators of CYPMHS performance table clearly identifying across all five of our CCG indicator scores, the top ten performing CCGs in 2020/2021 – and the lowest ten performing CCGs; The highest performing CCG (1) scored 25, the lowest (2) scored 8.

The findings of the review show that nationally, spending on CYPMHS has increased for the fourth consecutive year across the majority of CCGs, with half of CCGs spending at least 1% of their budget on this provision, the NHS Long Term Plan benchmark for such spending.

The number of children referred to NHS children's mental health services has decreased for the first time in four years. However, more children have been struggling with their mental health since 2017, with one in six children having a probable mental health disorder, an increase from one in nine in 2017. This increase has created a challenge to reducing the treatment gap between those who need treatment and what is provided.

The commissioner reports that, overall, progress has been made across all indicators, however, more than a third (37%) of children accepted onto waiting lists are still waiting for their treatment to begin.

To read the full report [click here](#)

Disrupting County Lines



New Research Project to look at Technology's Part

Crest Advisory and Forensic Analytics are working together on a new research project, '***Cutting the Head off the Snake – Disrupting County Lines***', in which they seek to identify the role played by technology in the criminal exploitation of children involved in 'county lines' drug gangs.

The project will trace the development of smartphones and digital devices and show how organised crime groups and criminal gangs made use of new forms of personal communications to adapt their business models and respond to police tactics.

The researchers state:

'Debate about the growth of county lines gangs typically centres on the social factors that have made children vulnerable to exploitation, such as poverty, exclusion from school, familial abuse and neglect. The role played by technology, however, has been overlooked. As a result, agencies responsible for spotting, preventing and disrupting child criminal exploitation have been unclear about how to respond to online harms and threats.'

'We hope this work will pinpoint shortcomings and gaps in the way law enforcement and safeguarding authorities deal with the problem. We also aim to identify opportunities for adopting new tactics to counter those used by county lines gangs as they change the way they operate.'

The project will be completed in three key phases:

Phase 1 will explore the evolution of the 'traditional model' county lines through the lens of technological innovation, examining the links between changing patterns of exploitation and advances in digital communications.

Phase 2: Identifies new and emerging trends in the use of telecommunications and social media by county lines drug gangs.

Phase 3: Findings from the research will be included in a final report. There will also be recommendations for central government departments and law enforcement agencies.

Can you help?

The researchers are calling for evidence, focusing on the agency responses to the use of technology for exploitation and how this can be more effective in preventing and disrupting county lines. They are also interested to understand what which emerging and future personal communication technologies concern you the most in relation to criminal exploitation of children.

For more information on the project and to become involved [click here](#)

Reform Recommended for Looked After Children and Care Leavers

The All Party Parliamentary Group (APPG) for Looked After Children and Care Leavers have published the findings of a spotlight inquiry undertaken in early 2021, that aimed to:

‘shine a light on care and communities across the country, looking at how the care system could better support young people’s connections to the communities which matter to them when in and leaving care, and exploring how wider communities could be better supported to understand and respect their care-experienced members.’



The report makes a number of recommendations to support better care and outcomes for children looked after and care leavers, including renaming ‘corporate parenting’ and the creation of a national public awareness campaign should be launched, co-designed with care-experienced people, to combat pervasive stigma and boost understanding and empathy.

To read more [click here](#)



In an open letter to the Independent Review of Children’s Social Care, a group of care experienced individuals have come together under the campaigning name ‘ShowUsYouCareToo’ to recommend that care experience becomes a protected characteristic in law and that corporate parenting duties are extended to all public bodies.

Defining care experience as a protected characteristic would create a strengthened legal duty on government and public bodies to uphold the rights of care leavers up to the age of 25 years in England, children in care, and an estimated one million care experienced people across the UK.

One impact of the change sought would be that public bodies, including Councils, the NHS and Police, would be required by law to consider how their policies and practices affect care experienced people, and take steps to remove disadvantages they face.

The group are appealing to care experienced people, alongside the general public, to sign the letter

For more information [click here](#)

The campaign is being supported the Together Trust, a charity established in 1870 that provides services to care experienced people, as well as people with disabilities, autism and mental health needs.



Young Advocates for Youth Justice

Publish New Youth-Led Report

The first report from the Young Advocates Project has been published '**Young Advocates for Youth Justice: A youth-led report from children and young people with experience of the system**'. The project is led by children and young people aged 14–20 years who have lived experience of the youth justice system and want to be part of a movement to drive positive change. The project is delivered in partnership between the young people, the Alliance for Youth Justice (AYJ) and Leaders Unlocked, and is supported by BBC Children in Need.



In the report the Young Advocates share children and young people's experiences of the youth justice system and present findings and recommendations from engagement with over 120 young people across England and Wales; focussing on the three priority topics of stereotypes, education and warning signs, and jail (custody). The aim was to identify patterns that run through society, and the education and justice systems overall, to find out what young people feel increases the chance of entering the justice system.

The Young Advocates lay out their plans for the future by saying:

'We are actively seeking collaboration with policy-makers, organisations and other changemakers. It is an important time for young people to be involved in speaking truth to power and shape decision-making and we hope the Young Advocates project will provide a national platform for children and young people's voices, to reach a variety of audiences including policy-makers, the public, AYJ members and the wider society. To build on the learning and achievements of the pilot year, and establish the Young Advocates as an influential and sustainable voice for change in youth justice we will:

- Build awareness and understanding of the issues impacting young people with experience of the justice system;
- Directly shape the development of priorities, policies and practices that are better for children and young people;
- Focus on skills and personal development;
- Reach more children and young people through peer-to-peer engagement, advocacy and influencing;
- Increase empowerment and ownership

To read the report [click here](#)





Other News

Alliance for Youth Justice Celebrates First Anniversary



The Alliance for Youth Justice (AYJ) is celebrating its first anniversary since changing its name from the Standing Committee for Youth Justice, and it did so by saying 'a big thank you' to all its members who have supported the organisation through the transition.

The Standing Committee for Youth Justice originated in the 1990s and developed credibility and a strong reputation for influencing policy in the youth justice system. The last couple of years have seen the AYJ undertake significant work into creating a more sustainable and effective organisation. The relaunch of the organisation as the AYJ, provided an opportunity to revisit and redefine the organisation's main goals and values; enabling the achievement of greater clarity regarding what the organisation is, does, and aims to achieve.

The AYJ also took the opportunity to celebrate its successes over the past 12 months, a period of unprecedented public health crisis which impacted on all those working in youth justice.

To read more about the work of the AYJ, and its work over this past year [click here](#)

Annual Youth Justice Convention



The Youth Justice Board for England and Wales (YJB) is surveying your thoughts regarding future Youth Justice Conventions: the last convention, as a result of COVID-19 restrictions, was postponed and delivered online as YJB live webinars

The YJB advise that previous conventions have assisted in providing advice to minister and the sector on best practice in preventing offending and re-offending by children as well as providing an opportunity to share best practice examples.

Answers to the survey will help the YJB consider what future conventions look like.

To respond to this survey [click here](#).

This survey will take approximately 10 minutes to complete.

The deadline for survey completion is Tuesday 15 March 2022.

Partnership Working During COVID-19

The partnership project of the Alliance for Youth Justice and the Manchester Centre for Youth Studies (MCYS) at Manchester Metropolitan University (MMU) has published its third research paper documenting the impact of the pandemic on policy and practice responses, barriers and enablers to effective adaptation, and children's perspectives.

The first paper focused on the adaptations to practice and service delivery of youth offending services (YOTs) across Greater Manchester (GM), drawing attention to the digital divide, the challenges of engaging children remotely, and the short-term challenges for YOTs post-COVID-19. The second paper focused on professional's views of children's welfare needs and vulnerabilities during the pandemic.

This third and latest paper explores the impact of the pandemic on the ability of YOTs to continue to undertake partnership work; presenting initial findings from 74 interviews with professionals from eight of the nine YOTs across the GM region between January and May, 2021.

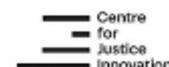
To read the report [click here](#)



Effective Practice Awards

The Youth Justice Institute (YJI) is offering two new Effective Practice Awards:

The 'Youth Diversion' award, delivered in partnership with the Centre for Justice Innovation, is designed to help practitioners understand the key principles of diversion from the formal criminal justice system and the implications of these in everyday practice with children who have been arrested.



The Trauma Informed Practice' award sponsored by the YJB, is designed to help practitioners understand the key principles of trauma-informed practice, the evidence for it, and the implications for everyday practice with children in the youth justice system.



The courses are free, for more information and to register for a course [click here](#)

If you have any queries about the EPA please contact Unitas at: contact@unitas.uk.net or phone on **01603 570365**.

Children's Happiness and Confidence Drops



The Prince's Trust Natwest Youth Index, a national survey that gauges the happiness and confidence young people feel across a range of areas, from working life to mental and physical health, has found that young people's overall happiness and confidence has fallen to an all-time low. Index scores for almost all areas attributed to wellbeing are at their lowest to date, decreasing by one point to 68 – bringing it back down to the level first recorded in 2020, which was the lowest ever seen in the thirteen-year history of the study.

Jonathan Townsend, UK Chief Executive of the Prince's Trust said:

'The findings suggest this downward spiral of anxiety, stress and poor confidence could have been caused by concerns about missing out on work or education opportunities, being unable to see family and friends and the current economic climate.'

To read the Youth Index [click here](#)

Improving healthcare in adult probation services: Learning from Youth Offending Teams



The Probation Journal has published an article by Charlie Brooker Royal Holloway, University of London, Beth Collinson University of Sheffield, and Coral Sirdifield, University of Lincoln, 'Improving healthcare in adult probation services: Learning from Youth Offending Teams', which reviews the development of the healthcare provision in youth offending teams (YOTs), and the implications of this for improving provision for adults supervised by probation

The authors, through their literature review and survey of YOTs describe 'the benefits that YOT team managers feel accrue when healthcare is integrated within the YOT team service, including increased staff confidence in managing cases.'

The authors argue that all these benefits could be similarly achieved for adult probationers. They state that investment in health practitioners within probation would enable health screening to identify individual needs, provide brief interventions, and facilitate access and pathways to care.

A collaborative commissioning initiative, the authors argue is now required for probation in England and Wales to support them in achieving the ambitions set out in their Health and Social Care Strategy and to ensure that appropriate provision is in place to meet the needs of people under probation supervision. Without this, the major social inequalities that we currently see are likely to remain in place'

To read the article [click here](#)

Disclosure and Barring Scheme to be Reviewed

The Safeguarding Minister, Rachel Maclean has announced that the Disclosure and Barring Scheme will be subject of an independent review.



The review will look at the framework for criminal record checks (DBS checks) and for barring individuals from working with vulnerable groups including children. The intention to undertake a review was detailed in the government's strategy to tackle violence against women and girls, which was published in July 2021.

The current regime governs the way the scheme disclose someone's criminal records, and the decisions made regarding whether to bar individuals from working with children or vulnerable adults. The review will play a key role in continuing to ensure that people's safety, welfare, and human rights are properly protected.

To read more about the review [click here](#)

Girls and Women Feel Unsafe on Social Media

In a poll of 1,002 girls and young women aged 13-21 years in the UK for Girlguiding, 79% respondents reported experiencing at least one issue whilst using social media, with 94% stating they experienced a negative emotion from the event/s.



Agreement that social media is not safe for girls and women is much higher among those aged 13-15 years (21%) compared to 10% for 16-18 year olds, and 14% for 19-21 year olds, suggesting more education of younger children about online dangers is required.

39% of respondents reported experiencing fake news and disinformation when online and 35% had received sexist comments. Those with disabilities were significantly more likely to have experienced sexist comments (41% vs 33%), bullying (39% vs 23%) and pressure to share pictures of themselves (28% vs 21%).

To read the report [click here](#)

Cheshire Children Achieve Music Awards

Members of Cheshire Youth Justice Services were pleased to attend a celebration event for some of the young people they supervise who had passed their Bronze Music Arts Award, achieved through the support of the RockUp project of Tipp Music.

The young people performed five original pieces at the event which was held at the Pyramid in Warrington.



Congratulations to You All!!!

Kickstart Performance Questioned



By the House of Commons Committee of Public Affairs

To combat the forecasted surge in youth unemployment at the end of the COVID:19 Furlough scheme in September 2020, the Department for Work & Pensions (DWP) introduced a £1.9 billion Kickstart scheme to create jobs for up to 250,000 young people that would each last six months, pay at least the minimum wage, and provide at least 25 hours a week of work.

However, the House of Commons Committee of Public Affairs has found that the scheme has not supported the number of children anticipated, as a result of stronger than expected economic growth, and it is clear that more people found non-Kickstart jobs than the DWP initially anticipated. However, due to a lack of monitoring the DWP:

‘does not know whether it is putting the right people onto Kickstart, why people who are not taking up Kickstart jobs are not doing so, or what employers are providing with the £1,500 employability support grants awarded for each young person taken on through the scheme.’

The report concludes that the DWP launched Kickstart very quickly, at the expense of clear guidance and basic management information, the Committee calls, amongst other recommendations, for the DWP to review the scheme and ensure that ensure its evaluation covers as robustly as possible all of the expected impacts of Kickstart that are given in the business case.

To read the report [click here](#)

HMI Probation: Academic Insight

Transforming outcomes: social impact measurement and youth justice



HMI Probation has published the latest Academic Insight on transforming outcomes by Dr. Claire Paterson-Young, a Senior Researcher at the Institute for Social Innovation and Impact.

Social impact measurement allows organisations to develop an approach that empowers the disempowered and, in the context of this paper, specifically children and young people. The paper seeks to establish the role of social impact measurement in empowering children and young people by placing them at the heart of outcome-focused service design. The concept of social impact measurement is set out for practitioners, outlining the role that such measurement plays in mapping the outputs, outcomes, and impact for children in conflict with the law.

To read the guide [click here](#)

Vacancies

Birmingham Youth Offending Service Seeks a Team Manager

Birmingham Youth Offending Service is looking to recruit a team manager to further enhance and strengthen its youth justice offer across the city.

As a valued member of the service, the successful applicant will have a key role in supporting reform, contributing to the setting and delivery of strategic priorities and ensuring the smooth and efficient delivery of services.

If you are interested in having a conversation about this position, please contact:

BirminghamYOS@birminghamchildrenstrust.co.uk

For more information or to apply for the position [click here](#)



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Reach More Potential Candidates for Your Vacancies

Don't forget to let the AYM know of any vacancies you have so that we can add to them to the 'Sector Vacancy' section of the AYM website and advertise them in the monthly bulletin.



Increase your reach when recruiting – the Bulletin is delivered to all AYM members as well as more than 150 different external stakeholders and with many visitors to our website each month, from across the criminal justice sector we hope this will be beneficial to your service (or organisation).

If you wish to advertise a vacancy on the AYM website, there is a short form you can complete, which will you can access now by [clicking here](#).

Fill in the form and we will do the rest!



Dates for Your Diary

Calendar of events for AYM 2022



Title	Date	Venue
Executive Board Development Day	16 th March, 2022	Stafford
Executive Board meeting	27 th April, 2022 at 1pm	tbc
Executive Board meeting	23 rd June, 2022	tbc
AYM Conference	23 rd June, 2022	tbc
Annual General Meeting	23 rd June, 2022	tbc

Please contact your regional representative (see below) if you wish the Executive Board to consider a particular issue, or if you have an item you would like to bring to their attention at one of their meetings.

To keep up to date with this calendar between Bulletins, please look at our website:

[**aym.org.uk**](http://aym.org.uk)



Evaluation in Action

Using evidence and evaluation to improve children's outcomes

Children & Young People Now is bringing together a range of experts and inspiring practitioners to help them address some of the key challenges, and provide practical tips, case studies and actionable insights to support professional's endeavours in improving outcomes for children, young people and families.

This online conference takes place on **30th and 31st March 2022**

The conference will also be available to delegates afterwards on demand.

For more information [click here](#)

Exploring the Impact of Covid-19 on the Youth Justice System

The Manchester Centre for Youth Studies at the Manchester Metropolitan University and the Alliance for Youth Justice will be holding an event to share the research findings from the research project – '*Exploring the Impact of Covid-19 on the Youth Justice System.*'

The event will take place on:

Wednesday 27th April from 10am-2pm
at Manchester Metropolitan University.



More details to follow through an Eventbrite invitation in the coming days.

ADCS Annual Conference 2022

6th – 8th July, 2022
Midland Hotel in Manchester

The conference is exclusively for ADCS members, with the first day reserved open only to Directors of Children's Services.

For more information visit the conference pages on the ADCS website by [clicking here](#)



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Then follow the AYM on Twitter.....

We have more than 3,000 followers who receive frequent updates on issues relating to youth justice and YOT Managers. It's easy to sign up - our username is:

[@AssnYOTmanagers](https://twitter.com/AssnYOTmanagers)



See also the **'latest news'** section at <http://aym.org.uk>



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AYM Regional Representatives

Below is the list of regional representatives across the country, with email addresses. Please contact your regional representative if there are issues you want to raise; we welcome your input.

[Click here](#) for details of all Executive Board members.

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