

Youth Offending Volunteer

Role description

Role title:	Referral Order Panel Volunteer
Supported by:	Thurrock Youth Offending Team Referral Order Co-ordinator
Role purpose:	To hold meetings with young people and their families to discuss the reasons behind their offending. The aim of the meeting is to put together a contract designed to prevent the young person from reoffending.
Location:	Springhouse Road, Corringham.

Tasks and responsibilities

- To volunteer face to face with young people and their families.
- To assist professionals in planning a range of activities aimed at preventing young people from committing offences and making positive changes within their lives.
- To chair restorative based meetings designed to integrate young offenders back into the local community with a focus on the victims of the crime.
- To act in an anti-discriminatory way in all aspects of this role.
- To participate in informal supervision and training relevant to the role and assist in identifying own training and development needs.
- To comply with the Health and Safety Act 1974 and all other requirements of Council Policy and the Teams local guidance (all information will be given).
- To support any other activities that may be reasonably required from time to time in keeping with the nature of the volunteer role.

Skills and experience

- Excellent communication skills
- Reliability and commitment
- Empathy with young people
- Ability to maintain confidentiality

Time commitment

- 3 hours, usually on a Wednesday evening on a rota.

Council's commitment

- Induction training, support and guidance.
- Re-imbusement of agreed expenses.

This role requires a DBS (Disclosure and Barring Service) check.