

Annex B
Yor-Ok Involvement Strategy 2008 –11
Monitoring of Strategic Aims

Universal Approaches		
<p>School Councils: 2008: Assess the effectiveness of school councils in a participative manner</p>	<p>2009: Further improve the effectiveness of school councils</p>	<p>2010 Work to develop the quality of involvement and consultation work carried out as part of extended schools and Youth Offer initiatives.</p>
<p>Progress School Council conference for secondary schools planned for 27th February. Workshop on effectiveness of councils – from workshop develop pilot work with a number of councils. Work being undertaken to monitor how young peoples views can link in with Self review Framework.</p>		
<p>Volunteering: 2008: Work to increase opportunities for children, young people and parents to become involved in volunteering and active participation</p>		<p>2010: Widen volunteering opportunities for children and young people Provide opportunities for them to mix with others. Increase opportunities for young people to become involved in service delivery as young volunteers.</p>

<p>Progress:</p> <p>Initial work to be undertaken about auditing of opportunities – to link in with MIS and reporting systems.</p>		
<p>2008</p> <p>Work with strategic leaders and elected members to ensure they are able to listen to and engage with and be responsive to children and young people’s needs</p> <p>Ensure children, young people and families know how to contact Executive members to raise issues.</p>	<p>2009:</p> <p>Work to increase children and young people’s involvement with local neighbourhood/ ward decision making structures.</p> <p>Work with the police to integrate young people’s participation in identifying and addressing local issues through Joint Action Groups and Neighbourhood Action Plans.</p>	<p>2010: Bring together children and young people’s forums with wider community forums (residents associations etc)to support the development of common solutions for common problems.</p> <p>Work with families to ensure they have opportunities through Community Calls for local Action to influence elected members to develop services for children and young people.</p> <p>Greater involvement of young people in transport planning bodies</p>
<p>Progress:</p> <p>Begun discussions on a model whereby there can be a strategic approach to engaging children and young people in neighbourhood planning.</p>		

<p>Commissioning of Services 2008: Work to develop opportunities for children, young people and families to be involved in commissioning and evaluating services</p>	<p>2009: Ensure children and young people are actively involved in developing local provision through ensuring initiatives like Extended Schools and the Youth Offer work with children, young people and families to develop local provision. Investigate the extent to which children, young people and families are actively involved in governance, through participation on boards, executives and other strategic decision making bodies in the City.</p>	
<p>Progress YorKash – model of young people being involved in commissioning services. Looking in early 2008 to update model. Commissioning strategy (through Children’s Trust arrangements) to include young people.</p>		
<p>Parental 2008 Support parental involvement in all forums for example like the Children’s Centres.</p>	<p>2009: Establish Families forums around key services Further develop parent involvement forums. Develop opportunities for families to become actively involved in the development and delivery of services.</p>	
<p>Progress</p>		
Targeted Approaches		
<p>2008: Ensure a diverse range of approaches are adopted that encourage representation of children, young people and families from different backgrounds are engaged in involvement and participation work. Ensure that targeted approaches take account of the changing demographic of families in the City</p>		

<p>Progress Seminar October 2007 drew together recommendations: better information about services to be available for the community – better information to be kept on demographics in the city – more education and awareness raising for young people and staff – more support for translations services – leadership from LSP and relevant boards Yor-OK. Involvement sub-group has made the involvement of children and young people from minority ethnic communities a priority for the year 2008/9.</p>		
<p>Supporting Looked After Children: 2008: Develop work which explores the role of the council as a corporate parent steered by the Show Me I Matter group.</p>		
<p>Progress Celebration event being held in February 2008. Show Me I Matter panel is being expanded to younger age group. Work undertaken on Health Issues for LAC.</p>		
<p>Marketing 2008: Launch the involvement section of the Yor-OK website You said- we did’.- mechanism for publicising changes and responses to involvement developed Information about involvement activities on the Yor-OK website . Collate information about involvement and participation</p>	<p>2009: Monitor the effectiveness of the ‘you said- we did’ publication. Assess the effectiveness of the Yor-OK involvement website in facilitating the sharing of good practice. Ensure that young people (reflecting the make-up of their communities) are engaged</p>	

<p>activities that have been undertaken with families.</p> <p>Establish and embed good practice around feeding back results and actions from consultations.</p>	<p>in the design, delivery and evaluation of information, advice and guidance provision</p>	
<p>Progress Yor-Ok website launched Nov 2007</p>		
<p>Recognising Achievement 2008: Develop opportunities to recognise and celebrate children, young people and families achievements through active involvement</p>		
<p>Progress Celebration event planned for early 2008.</p>		
<p>Capacity Building</p>		
<p>2008: Provide training which covers involving children and young people 0-19.</p>	<p>2009: Develop guidance and training around good practice in involving children, young people and families in governance.</p> <p>Work to increase opportunities for children, young people and parents to become involved in peer mentoring and delivering training.</p>	
<p>Progress Conference event planned for first half 2008.</p>		
<p>Accreditation 2008: Extend the availability of accredited opportunities for children, young people and families to develop skills and experience around participation and involvement work.</p>		
<p>Progress:</p>		
<p>Standard setting and evaluation</p>	<p>2009: Develop guidance and training for</p>	<p>2010</p>

<p>2008: Establish guidance for good practice in involving children, young people and families in recruitment processes.</p>	<p>good practice around involving children and young people in recruitment and interviewing. Work to increase children, young people and families participation in recruitment processes</p>	<p>Ensure children and young people's participation is required in recruitment and selection processes for staff involved in delivering services for children or young people. Have children and young people involved in quality assurance for their services.</p>
<p>Progress: Website has one short example – work with partners to put on other examples of good practice.</p>		
<p>Standards 2008 Implement standards such as Hear By Right, Respect, You're Welcome, LILAC and other children and young people led accreditation of services to monitor the involvement and participation of children, young people and families. Explore the possibility of monitoring involvement and participation work through other existing systems, e.g. the schools self report framework and Ofsted criteria for early years provision.</p>	<p>2009 Work to establish Yor-ok Hear By Right as a Standard for monitoring and evaluating involvement and participation work across the partner organisations. Monitor progress against findings from consultation and involvement activities.</p>	
<p>Progress:</p>		
<p>Co-ordination 2008 Explore structures for representing family and parental involvement and participation</p>	<p>2009 Link with HR departments and workforce development to ensure involvement and participation are part of all relevant staff job</p>	

<p>Review membership of the involvement group to ensure representation of agencies</p> <p>Ensure that there is co-ordination between the involvement strategy and other strategies.</p> <p>Improve co-ordination to ensure that groups are not over consulted.</p>	<p>descriptions</p> <p>Develop links with regional and national networks that can inform the development of involvement and participation practice.</p>	
<p>Raise profile 2008</p> <p>Develop and distribute a pledge to children, young people and families about how services will involve them.</p>	<p>2009</p> <p>Establish ways in which children, young people and families can be involved in shaping the involvement strategy.</p>	
<p>Progress:</p>		
<p>Resourcing 2008 Establish the proportion of budgets across services for children and young people that are subject to their input and control</p>	<p>2009 Ensure that children, young people and families are involved in the design and delivery of commissioned or externally funded services for children and young people.</p> <p>Work to increase the proportion of budgets across services for children and young people that are subject to their input and control.</p> <p>Seek to attract additional resource to support involvement and participation work.</p>	<p>2010: Increase the % of budgets whose spend is influenced by children, young people and families. In accordance with Aiming High support the involvement of young people in youth service and other budgets devolved to young people's influence</p>
<p>Progress: Will be able to link in with Commissioning strategy.</p>		