



PROJECT SUMMARY

PS Plus 3 – Manchester Probation

Marek Musiol, Adam Bennett & Lucy Pendlebury

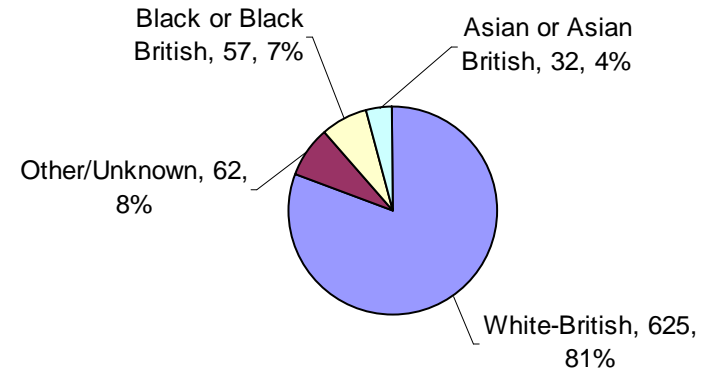
This report has been compiled to give information about the offenders (beneficiaries) worked with on the PS Plus 3 project by Manchester probation. The project ran for 18 months between January 2007 and June 2008, in which time 776 beneficiaries started on the project. At its peak, it is estimated that Manchester probation worked with approximately 350 beneficiaries.

48 beneficiaries were also worked with in Manchester who had started on the project in a PS Plus prison, including 12 from HMP Kirkham and 9 from HMP/YOI Styal, allowing PS Plus intervention to be continued upon release.

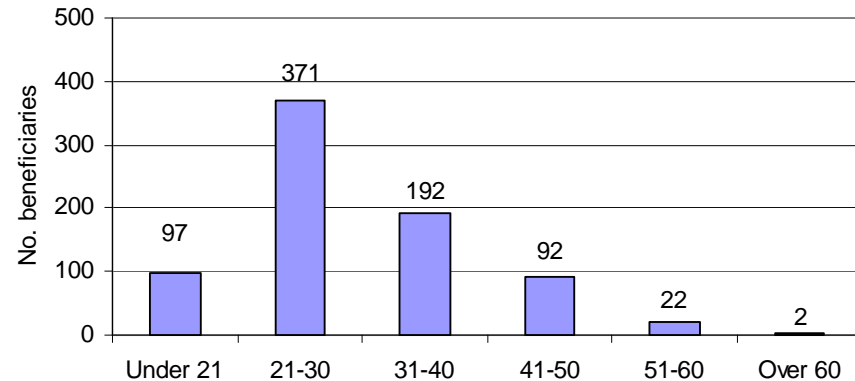
Demographics

- 81% (625) of the beneficiaries started in Manchester were White-British. 19% (142) of the beneficiaries were from ethnic minority groups (where known), and 4 beneficiaries were from outside the United Kingdom (where known).
- 48% (371) of beneficiaries started in Manchester were aged between 21 and 30, with the average age on starting the project being 29 years 10 months.
- In total, 762 male beneficiaries and 62 female beneficiaries were worked with in Manchester.

Ethnic Origin

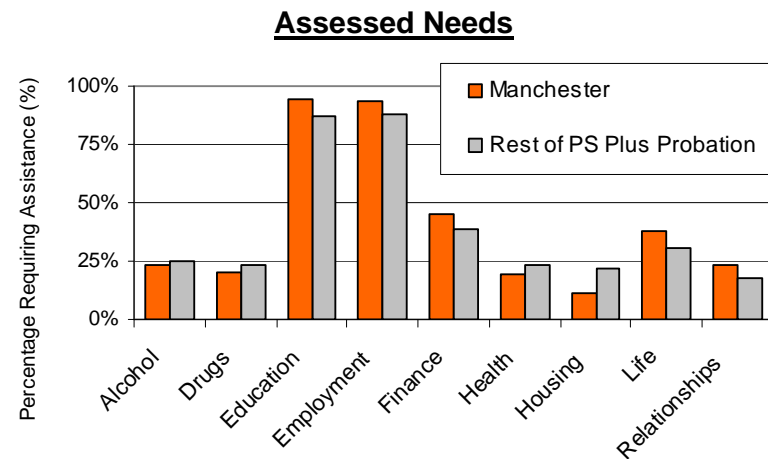
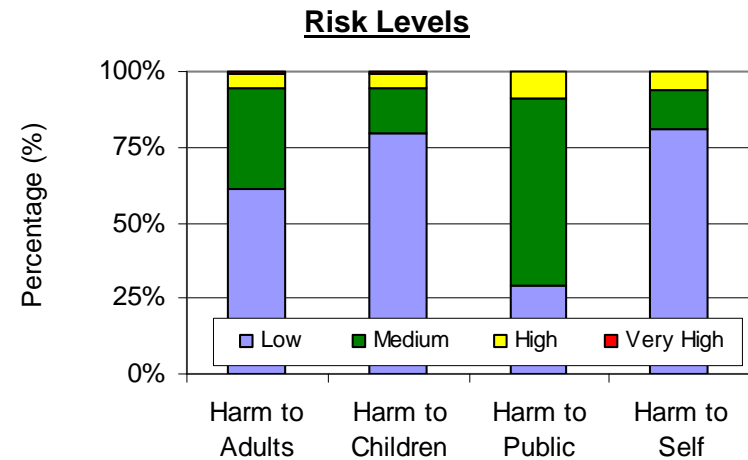


Age Groups



Assessment

- For the majority of prisoners (where known), the level of risk posed towards adults, children, staff, the public and themselves in either low or medium. Less than 9% were classed as high or very high risk in each category.
- Every beneficiary required help with either employment or education. 728 (94%) beneficiaries required help with employment, while 686 (88%) required help with both employment *and* education.
- 300 beneficiaries were identified as requiring assistance with substance abuse, with 24% and 20% of beneficiaries requiring help with alcohol and drugs issues respectively.
- Comparison to the rest of the beneficiaries worked with in PS Plus probation areas shows that beneficiaries started at Manchester were significantly *more* likely to require assistance with employment, education, finance, life and relationships. Analysis shows that beneficiaries started at Manchester were significantly *less* likely to require assistance with drugs, health and housing issues.
- Comparison to beneficiaries worked with in other PS Plus Probation areas show that beneficiaries in Manchester were just as motivated on starting the project.



Soft Outcomes

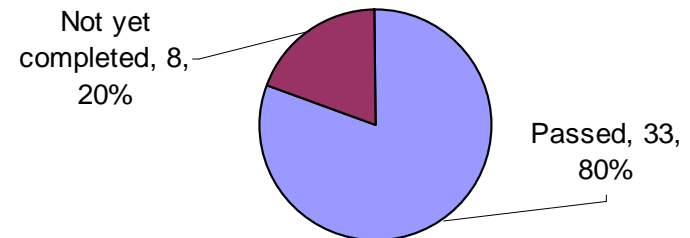
- 2445 soft outcomes were achieved by Manchester.
- 97% (799) of the beneficiaries worked with in Manchester achieved at least one outcome while there.
- 769 beneficiaries received advice and guidance.
- 795 beneficiaries received assistance with employment issues.
- 769 beneficiaries received assistance with education or training issues.

Qualifications

- 33 courses or qualifications were passed by beneficiaries on the PS Plus project at Manchester.
- PS Plus beneficiaries completed courses in a wide range of subjects, from information technology to fork lift truck training.
- 31 health and safety courses were passed by beneficiaries at Manchester.

<u>Soft Outcomes Gained</u>	<u>No. Bens</u>
Advice On Disclosure	737
IAG Assistance	702
Accessed Beneficiary Fund	339
Job Club	184
CSCS - Health And Safety Test	174
Job Preparation	134
Other Programme	59
Non-NVQs Gained	43
CV Assisted	39
CV Written on Own	12
Job Interview	8
Other	14

Exam Results



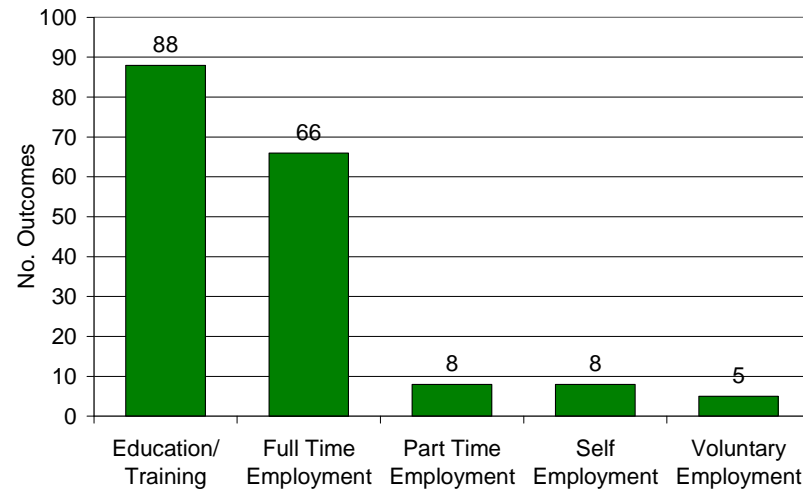
Hard Outcomes

- In total 201 hard outcomes were recorded by PS Plus staff.
- 175 hard outcomes had sufficient evidence for ESF auditing purposes.
- In addition 3 supplementary hard outcome was evidenced.
- Beneficiaries successfully achieved 87 employment outcomes and 88 education/training outcomes while on PS Plus 3.
- Employment ranged from decorating to scaffolding, while education/training ranged from the Construction Skills Certification Scheme (CSCS) test to hairdressing.

Summary

- Overall, Manchester started 776 beneficiaries, achieved 175 hard ETE outcomes and 2445 soft outcomes on the PS Plus 3 project.

Hard ETE Outcomes



Outcomes Gained

