Beacon Authority

2007 - 2008
School Improvement

2003 - 2007
Winner of 5 previous Beacon Awards

TOWER HAMLETS

Positive Activities for Young People (PAYP)

6th Annual Positive Activities Conference

22 January 2009

Inmarsat Conference Centre

London, EC1

Overview

- Targeted programme for the most at risk young people (YP)
- Diversionary and developmental activities provided during school holiday and half-term breaks.
- Opportunity for YP to develop their personal, social and emotional skills building self-esteem and resilience.

Objectives

- Reduce crime and anti-social behaviour
- Reduce NEET by supporting children and young people back into education, training or employment
- Give young people opportunities for personal development
- Support YP in their transition from primary to secondary school.
- Provide access to quality arts, sports and cultural activities
- Increase community cohesion
- Increase volunteering opportunities for YP

Target Group

Young People aged 8-19 years (20-25 SEN) who are:

- Not in Education, Employment or Training (NEET)
- Young offenders, those at risk of offending or young people with a sibling offender.
- Engaging in anti-social behaviour
- Living in a ‘nuisance area.’
- Young people with learning difficulties
- At risk of substance use, mental health issues, domestic violence, homelessness, truancy, bullying and teenage pregnancy
- Asylum seekers and refugees
- Involved with social services or subject to a care order

Delivery Agencies

PAYP in Tower Hamlets is delivered by both Statutory Providers and the Voluntary Community sector

Statutory providers include Youth Offending Team, Pupil's Referral Unit (PRU), Youth Service, New Start Project and Rapid Response Team

Process for delivery providers

Advert inviting applications

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PAYP Advice Surgery

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Applications received

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Assessment panel

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Networking event

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Delivery

Activities on offer

- **Sports -** football, swimming, cycle training & weight lifting
- **Media -** video projects & communication courses
- **ICT -** Word, Excel, PowerPoint & graphics
- **Music -** radio broadcasting, mixing, rapping & vocal courses
- **Arts -** silk screen printing, ceramics & mehndi painting
- **Health –** Dancing classes, cooking sessions, body image sessions & massage courses
- **Specific themes** – Knife/gun crime, drug use

- Accreditation of activities / courses:

Assessment & Qualification Alliance (AQA), Award Scheme Development & Accreditation Network (ASDAN), Open College Network (OCA) and Community Sports Leaders Awards (CSLA) and more.

Referral Process

PAYP Coordinator

provides list of activity providers to PA's & referral agencies

Referral Agencies

(E.g. Connexions, YOT, PRU, Police)

Forward referral forms to PA's via PAYP referral form

Personal Advisers

- Develop PDP
- Forward referral forms to providers
- Visit, engage & support YP prior, during and post activity delivery
- Maintains communication with activity providers

Self Referral

YP can self-refer onto an activity or contact a Personal Adviser

PAYP Monitoring

PAYP Coordinator undertakes random monitoring of all activity providers during the delivery periods

Activity Providers

All activity providers take on referrals and self-referrals from all referral sources

Maintains regular communication with Personal Advisers and PAYP Coordinator

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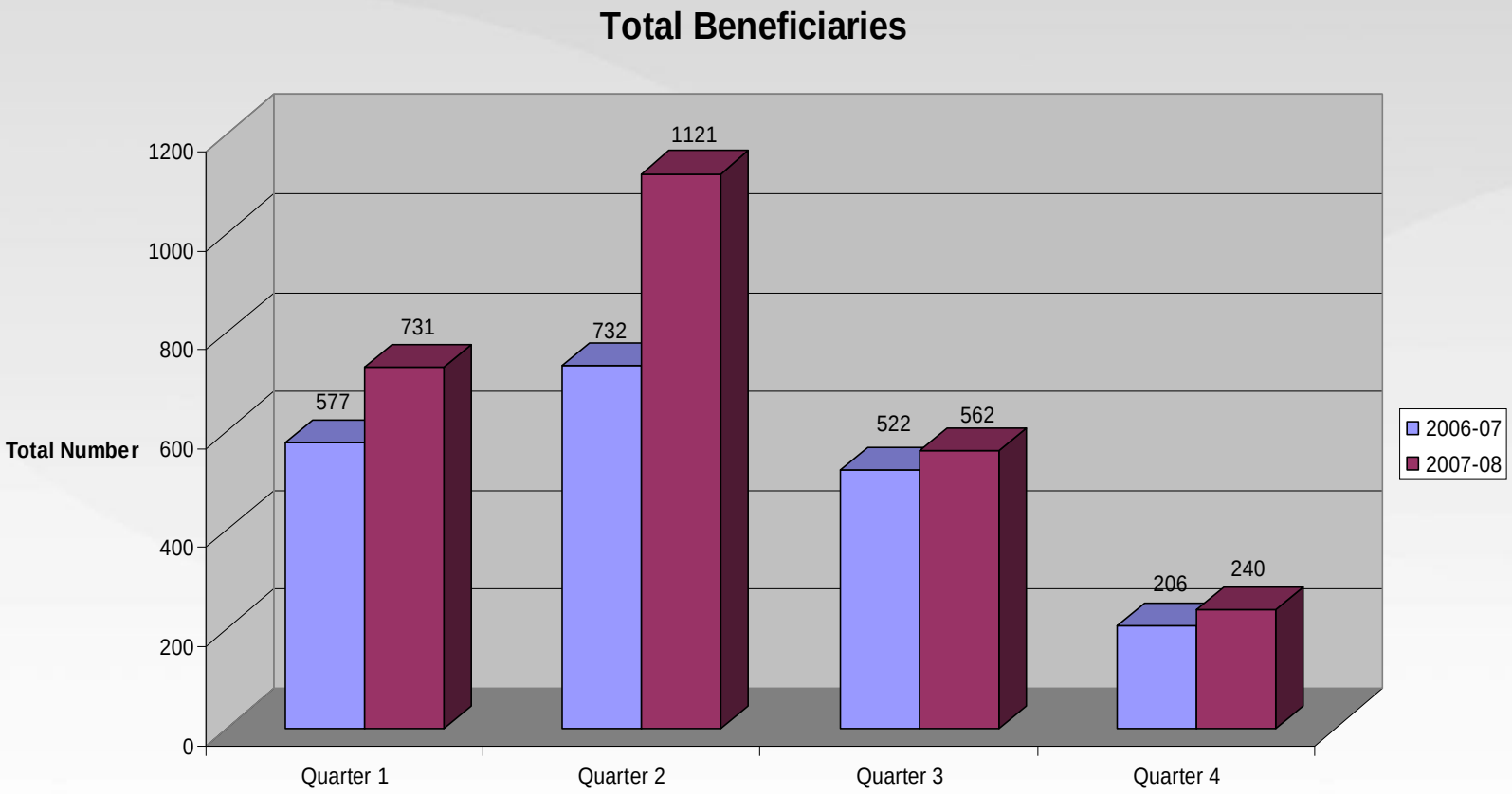

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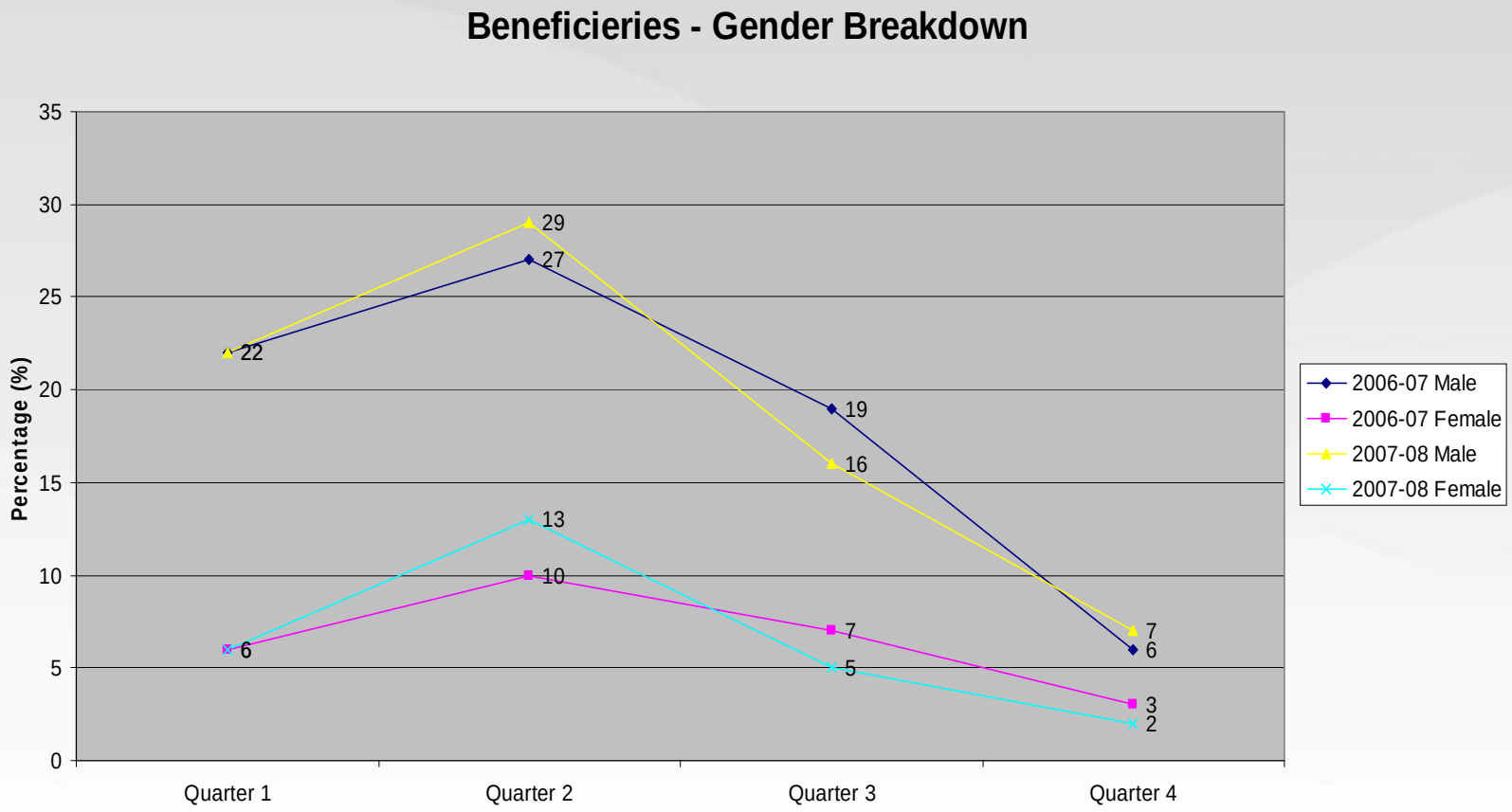

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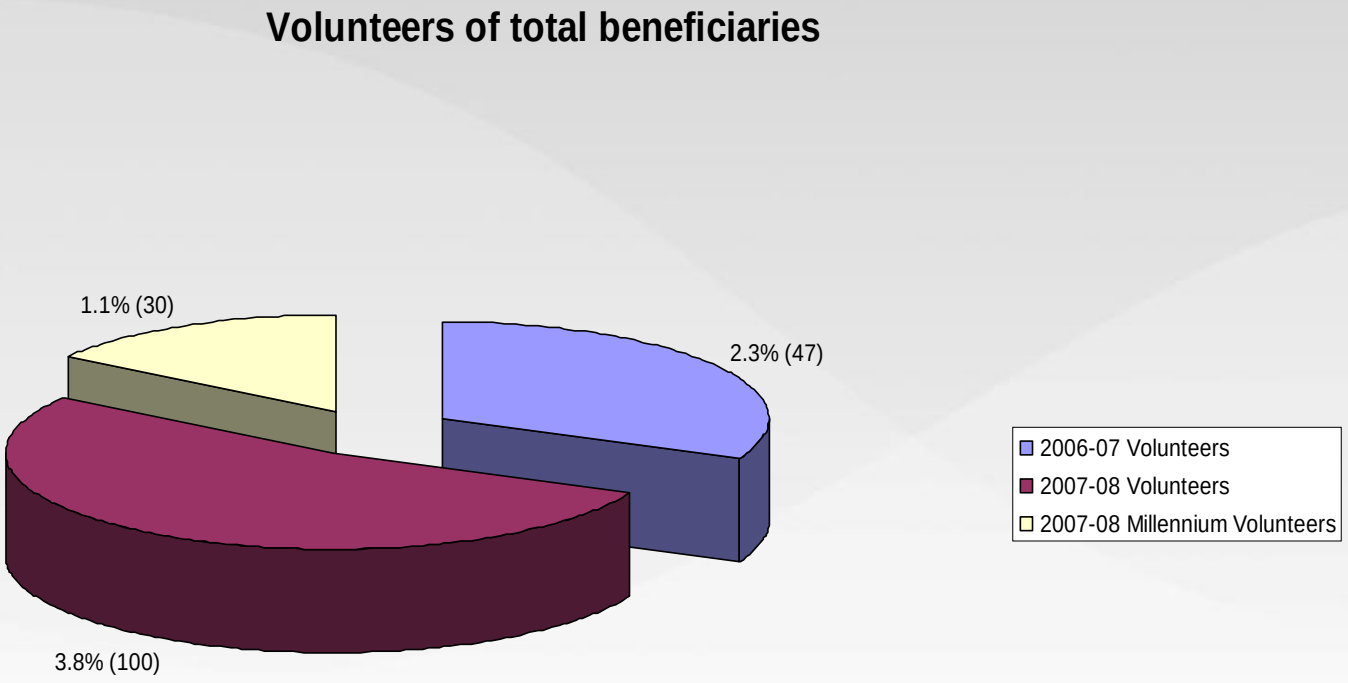

Evaluation

- **Young persons feedback form.**
- **Post-activity report**
- **Quarterly report** (completed by PA's).