

Blackpool Young Inspectors



Highlights Jun 21 – Jun 22

- Training programme developed
- Recruitment sessions held
- Charter Mark for post 16 accommodation developed and piloted in Bispham House
- Supporting the set up of a local new children's residential home
- Engaging with a project manager in Commissioning to put a structure around the initiative to capture activity , outcomes and have an organised plan for the future

Activity

- Team of 6 fully trained Young Inspectors
- 1 training session delivered
- Recruitment ongoing
- 12 Quality assurance visits as part of Supported Accommodation pilot
- 2 Charter Mark co-production sessions with Providers
- 10 sessions to co-produce the Charter Mark with support from staff in Headstart
- Piloted implementation of Charter Mark with Bispham House (BCH)
- 1 session with Creative Living to consult on development of residential home
- Presented at the National Children's Commissioning Conference

Future Plans

- To award Charter Mark status to all providers
- Develop and train a team of 10 Young Inspectors
- Present a Business Case to senior management to ensure sustainability of the programme
- Evidence improvement of outcomes for the young people
- Support providers to become OFSTED registered (national requirement Apr/May 2023)
- To be an intrinsic part of Blackpool's Journey to Good

Challenges

- Recruitment and retention of Young Inspectors
- Provider engagement
- Capacity – insufficient resource

