



WHAT IS SWIFT?

SWIFT is a consent-based programme run within Wiltshire Police. Its aim is to reduce children coming to police notice and prevent them becoming part of the criminal justice system. The programme runs for no longer than six months.

When a young person is accepted onto the SWIFT programme they are matched up with a Trusted Adult (TA) who will either be a PCSO or PC.

- The TA will meet with their young person once every two weeks.
- They will be set small goals to help them work towards better outcomes.
- There will be an evaluation at the beginning, middle and end of the course.
- The TA will signpost the young person to any agency they think could help moving forward.

To become part of the SWIFT programme the following criteria needs to be met:

- ✓ Young people aged 8-15 years old.
- ✓ Young people coming to police attention for anti-social behaviour, missing episodes, low level disorder at home, low level exploitation concerns.
- ✓ Siblings or peers of those within the Criminal Justice System/at higher risk/working with professionals will be considered.

Swindon and Wiltshire Interventions for Families to Thrive (SWIFT)



Unfortunately we cannot accept young people who fall into the following criteria:

- ✘ Young people with a Social Worker, Family Service worker (Child Protection or Child in Need), or attend at a specialist school for their learning or mental wellbeing.
- ✘ A young person who has a Criminal Conviction.
- ✘ A young person under CAMHS, or TAMHS.

How can SWIFT help you?

If your young person is accepted onto the programme, we will look to set small goals that the Trusted Adult will help guide your young person through.

Below are a few examples of the type of goals which could be set:

- Work towards reducing any sign of anti-social behaviour
- Work towards finding out why a young person goes missing
- Help to build a young person's resilience
- Help young people to make better choices
- Work towards better family relationships between the parent and young person
- Signpost the young person to any agencies that could help and be of real benefit moving forward.

If you have any questions or queries please email:

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