

What we can offer

An Experienced,
Friendly
& Qualified Team

Workshops or longer
courses for parents
and carers

Help to explore issues
and develop
practical skills

Programmes
that are
tailored to suit your
individual needs

Support to access
other statutory
and
voluntary services

For more information
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How to find us



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YOUTH
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Parenting Order

What does it mean
to me ?

Information for
Young people,
Parents

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Working together to prevent youth offending

What is a Parenting Order ?

A Parenting Order is a legal direction against a parent whose child/teenager is engaged in criminal or anti-social behaviour, or not attending school.

What is it for ?

To provide support to deal with your child/teenagers behaviour.

To provide counselling.

To give access to a parenting programme or one to one guidance.

The court can make a Parenting Order where a young person has been subject to:

A Child Safety Order

An Anti-Social Behaviour Order

A Sex Offending Order

A conviction for a criminal offence

or

Where a parent or carer has been convicted of not sending a child/teenager to school.

What it does not mean is that:

You are not being punished

You are not a good parent

You have failed

The experts know best

We will work with
just one parent
or
both parents
(if there is regular contact)
or
any step parent
or
other carers like
grandparents and
foster carers

At the Coventry Youth Offending Services

We prefer to work with parents voluntarily because they want to change their situation, but when the courts make a Parenting Order, this is a legally enforceable and you will be expected to attend agreed appointments weekly for up to three months.

If you fail to do this, the Court has the power to impose a fine or change your Order.

Your responsible officer will work with you to identify what the issues are for you and agree a plan to deal with them.

Remember, the responsible officer is here to support you.

Please tell your responsible officer if there is any support you need to help you successfully complete this Order, i.e. childcare or travel costs.

Your Order may be revoked if you have successfully engaged for three months.

You have a right to appeal against this Order.

Ask your responsible officer for more information.