

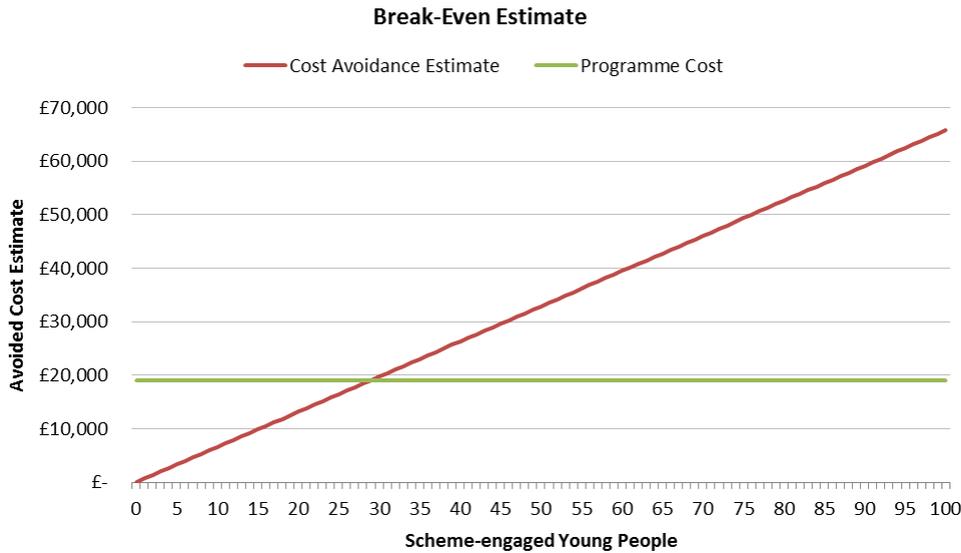
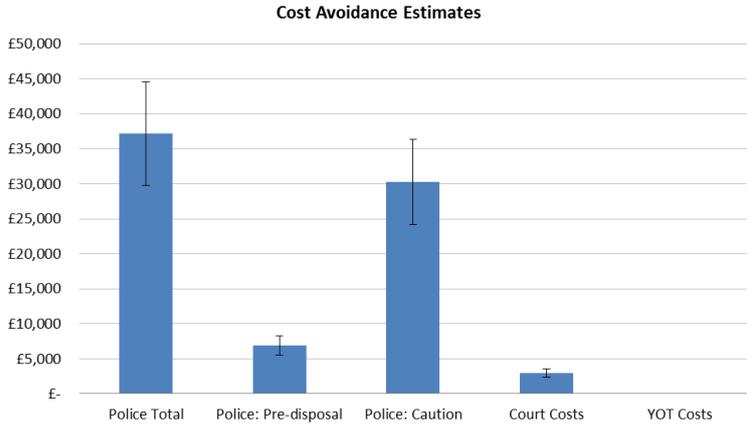
Suffolk Enhanced Triage Pilot: Summary Cost Avoidance Findings

Headline Figures

- We estimate that the scheme’s work with young people over the pilot period led to approximately **£37,000** in costs avoided by the police.
- The pilot scheme successfully engaged **61** young people who avoided formal criminal disposals and their associated costs.
- In total, we estimate that the scheme averted approximately **£40,099** in avoided justice system processing costs.
- Taking into account the costs of running the pilot, we estimate it produced a net benefit of around **£21,000** over the pilot period.

Estimated Costs Avoided	
Police: Pre-disposal	£ 6,861
Disposal	
Police: Caution	£ 30,295
Court	£ 2,943
YOT	£ -
TOTAL	£ 40,099

Break-even point	29
Cost per diversion	£ 311
Net benefit	£ 21,099



- We estimate that the scheme breaks even after engaging 29 young people. Engagements beyond this point represent net benefit.

Background to Estimates

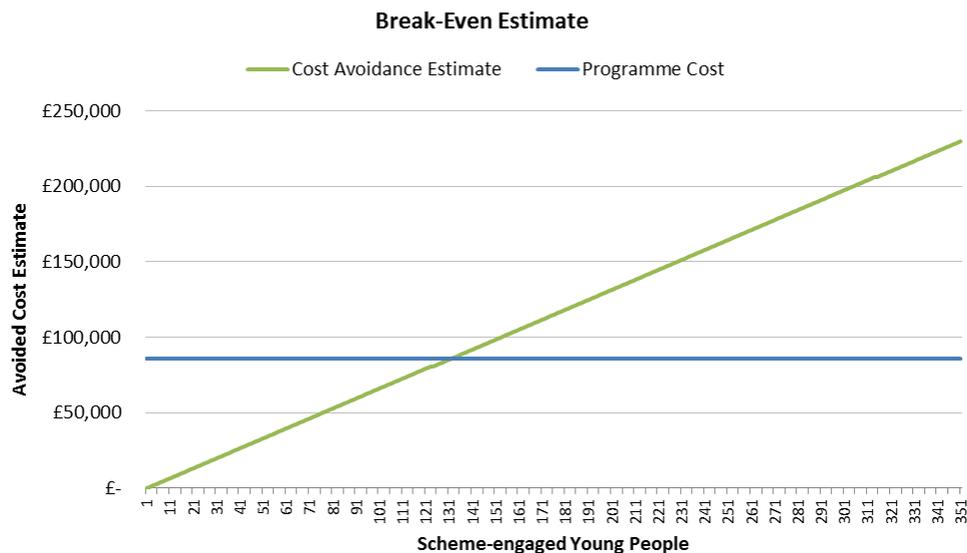
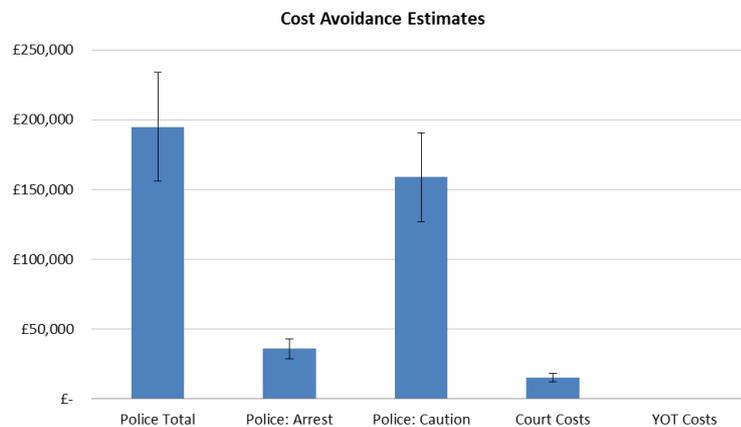
- This is based on the 8 month pilot of Enhanced Triage in the North of Suffolk during which there were 68 referrals, from which 61 young people engaged with the scheme.
- The majority of the cost avoidance comes from a reduction in police burden due to the new arrangement leading to earlier handover to the YOT. This is estimated at 32% across cases.
- Estimates of police costs and workload reductions are locally derived. For further detail, see the full model.

Projections

- Based on the experience of the pilot period, we project that an expanded county-wide scheme operating over 12 months could potentially receive 356 referrals, with 320 engaged young people. The estimated one-year programme cost would be £85,500.
- On the basis of these projections, we estimate the following avoided costs:

Estimated Costs Avoided	
Police: Pre-disposal	£ 35,995
Disposal	
Police Caution	£ 158,925
Court	£ 15,437
YOT	£ -
TOTAL	£ 210,356

Break-even point	130
Cost per diversion	£ 267
Net benefit	£ 124,856



- We estimate that the scheme breaks even after engaging with 130 young people. Engagements beyond this point represent net benefit.

Background to Projections

- These projections should be treated with caution. They are based on the same cost and workload reduction estimates used in the pilot Enhanced Triage model. However, the actual number of engaged young people, associated workload reductions, and resource costs in an expanded scheme could vary for a variety of reasons.
- For further detail, see the full projection model.

Valuing Youth Diversion: A Toolkit

For more information on the methodology behind this approach, as well as broader background information on the value of youth diversion, please see the Centre for Justice Innovation's *Valuing Youth Diversion* toolkit, available here:

<http://www.justiceinnovation.org/youth-diversion/valuing-youth-diversion-toolkit>

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