

Together we can STOP bullying

An example of an EP working on a council strategy

The situation

Bullying stops children learning and destroys confidence and emotional well being. Everyone in Solihull wants to see a reduction in bullying by creating safe learning and social environments in which everyone has the opportunity to thrive and learn.

What happened...

The Council decided that the Principal Educational Psychologist was the appropriate person to coordinate the Anti-Bullying and Personal Safety Strategy. This involves coordinating a group of people, including representatives from Education and Children's Services, Community Service, Police, the Voluntary Sector and Health. Young people also feed into the group and the strategy and policy making process.

The result....

Since taking on the coordinator's role Solihull has refreshed its strategy for reducing bullying to develop a consistent response:

To children and young people who experience bullying

To those who bully others

To those who seek help for others

To the bystander, those that witness incidents and do nothing to help

To setting standards, gathering information and learning the lessons

Psychology Used:

Social Psychology

