

## **6. Risk Management**

Risk management enables us to identify and manage key obstacles to the achievement of our objectives. It is a strategic tool that is an integral part of effective and efficient management and planning.

The following risks have been identified in relation to the implementation of the CYPP:

- Recruitment and retention of suitably qualified staff
- Financial risk and sustainability of services that are reliant on grant funding
- Negative effects of economic downturn/ 'credit crunch' on young people and their families
- Partnership working at the strategic level is not replicated at an operational level
- Failure of diversionary activities and bullying awareness programmes
- Care leavers unable to move from foster placements
- Net reduction in the number of foster care placements when foster care recruitment fails to match or exceed foster carer retirement