

Case Studies

1. **Mark works with a young person who has had very little interest shown to him by his father during his lifetime, which is something he struggles with, and whose mother passed away approximately two years ago. The young person has a history of other traumas, and his name has been placed on the Child Protection Register on two separate occasions in the categories of Neglect and Emotional Harm.**

Mark has developed a supportive and consistent relationship with the young person. After each reparation appointment Mark buys flowers and takes the young person to lay them on his mother's grave.

2. **Mark is working with a young person who has a history of traumatic family experiences involving him being moved around different family carers where he experienced repeated abuse. He did not attend school until he was eight years of age. For the last two years he has lived with the daughter of an aunt's partner and her partner, a young couple in their twenties. He has had very limited contact with his mother, who is currently in prison, and has no contact with his father.**

The young person has a high level of anti-social behaviour and has been receiving support from the YJESS as a result of this and shoplifting offences. Mark has been working with this young person in undertaking reparation for a shoplifting offence at a local shop. After the YJESS Victim Officer offer of support to the manager of the shop, and discussion on the restorative options available to them, the manager requested some form of direct reparation. Mark liaised with the manager and agreed with them for the young person to clear an area used for parking behind the local shops where there was a lot of litter and other refuse. Mark supported the young person in undertaking this reparation, and the young person worked extremely hard to clear this to a really high standard. The manager of the store wished to speak with the young person afterwards, however the young person did not wish to do so, very likely as a result of feeling embarrassed and ashamed, however this is something that the YJESS do aim to work towards if the victim wishes to do so.