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Agenda

Education and Children's Services Scrutiny Board (2)

Time and Date

2.00 pm on Thursday, 21 March, 2019

Place

Diamond Room 2 - Council House

Public Business

- 1. Apologies and Substitutions
- 2. Declarations of Interests
- 3. **Minutes** (Pages 3 12)
 - a) To agree the minutes of the meetings held on 14 February and 28 February 2019
 - b) Matters Arising
- 4. Coventry Youth Partnership Update and Relationship with Council Provided Youth Support (Pages 13 18)

Briefing Note of the Deputy Chief Executive (People)

5. Work Programme and Outstanding Issues 2018/19 (Pages 19 - 24)

Briefing Note of the Scrutiny Co-ordinator

6. Any Other Business

Any other items of business which the Chair decides to take as matters of urgency because of the special circumstances involved.

Private Business

Nil

Martin Yardley, Deputy Chief Executive (Place) Council House Coventry

Wednesday, 13 March 2019

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Membership: Councillors L Bigham, B Kaur, L Kelly, D Kershaw, J Lepoidevin, A Lucas, P Male, M Mutton (Chair) and C Thomas

Co-opted Members: Mrs S Hanson and Mrs K Jones

By Invitation: Councillors J Clifford, K Maton, P Seaman and T Skipper

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Agenda Item 3

Coventry City Council Minutes of the Meeting of Education and Children's Services Scrutiny Board (2) held at 2.00 pm on Thursday, 14 February 2019

Present:

Members: Councillor M Mutton (Chair)

Councillor B Kaur Councillor L Kelly Councillor D Kershaw Councillor J Lepoidevin Councillor A Lucas Councillor C Thomas

Co-Opted Members: Mrs S Hanson

Mrs K Jones

Cabinet Member: Councillor P Seaman - Cabinet Member for Children and

Young People

By Invitation: Matt Gilks, Coventry and Rugby Clinical Commissioning

Group (CRCCG)

Chris Evans, Coventry and Warwickshire NHS Partnership

Trust (CWPT)

Anita Morgan, Coventry and Warwickshire NHS Partnership

Trust (CWPT)

Leeya Balbuena, Coventry and Warwickshire Mind (CW Mind)

Employees (by Directorate):

People S Bates, J Gregg, S Kinchen, J Moffat, H Nagra, L Pardy-

McLaughlin, S Watson, R Wilshire

Place M Rose, A West

Apologies: Councillor L Bigham and P Male

Councillor K Maton and Councillor T Skipper

Public Business

44. Declarations of Interests

There were no disclosable pecuniary interests.

45. Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 29th November, 2018 were agreed as a true record.

Further to minute 41 the recommendations of Scrutiny Board were considered by the Cabinet Member for Education and Skills on 17th January, 2019 and he had decided to reduce library staff with a review in 3 months.

RESOLVED that the Scrutiny Board request that this report also be considered by Scrutiny Board 2 as this remained a concern

46. **Early Help Hubs**

Further to minute 28/18 the Scrutiny Board considered a briefing note of the Deputy Chief Executive (People) which provided a follow up report on the Early Help Offer of the Family Hubs including statistical data; evaluation data, examples of good practice, information about the use of satellite venues and outreach work including engagement with schools and education and, how the impact of the work was being assessed and evidenced.

The report noted that there were 8 Family Hubs operational in Local Authority venues across the city, serving local communities and focusing on delivering early help to children aged 0-19 (and up to 24 for young people with SEN) and their families. The Family Hubs had been operational since November 2017 and delivered a range of services targeted at families who need early help, and also host universal services for all families such as well baby clinics. Family Hubs represent interagency working and aimed to deliver the right help at the right time, and the practitioners working from the Family Hubs included local authority Children Services staff, health visitors, midwifes, school nurses, Adult learning, Coventry Independent Advice Service, Ignite (in Willenhall) and, a range of other partners.

The Early Help offer aimed to identify and support children and families in need of early help as early and responsively as possible, and hence reduce the number of children needing statutory intervention (such as social care). Common Assessment Framework (CAF) was the current assessment framework for identification of needs and development of a bespoke family support plan. The report noted the number of CAFs by ward and ethnicity and the reasons for the need for early help. The primary reason for early help support was when there was low level needs and the threshold for statutory intervention was not met. At closure of the CAF the reason was identified, evidencing that 24% of assessment resulted in no further support required following CAF assessment; 44% early help plans were completed and no further action was required at that time, and 26% of cases required step up/escalation to social care.

The report noted early help support offered through family hubs included school readiness. The report also covered the following; quality assurance and the impact of Family Hubs in the first year, sharing good practice case examples from each hub, use of satellite venues and outreach work, engagement with schools and education and what needs to happen next.

Members noted that the meeting was due to be held in a family hub again following the success of the previous visit but this was not possible this time for logistical reasons.

The Board questioned the Cabinet Member and officers present on the following:

- Improving school readiness
- Working with schools and education colleagues
- Strategic joined up thinking trickling down from management
- Nursery provision
- Uptake from those over 16 particularly data around those over 18
- · Re-referral and time limits

- Awareness
- Funding

Officers reported on strategic partnership working and the improvements to the stability of the workforce and the benefits this brings.

RESOLVED that the Scrutiny Board request the following:

- 1) an early help progress report in 12 months
- 2) a briefing note with further detail regarding the good level of development measure at the end of Reception and school readiness, including information about how Education (nurseries and schools) and Children's Services hubs are working strategically to deliver improvements
- a briefing note with further information regarding data about support for those over 16 accessing the service and also re-referral data
- 4) the dashboard to include those over 19 using the service

47. Sign Off of the Final Children's Services Improvement Board

Further to Minute 33/18 the Scrutiny Board considered a briefing note of the Deputy Chief Executive (People) regarding the sign off of the Children's Services Improvement Plan reported to the Children's Services Improvement Board on 24th January, 2019. Appended to the briefing note was the Children's Services Critical Performance Indicators and the Improvement Plan which detailed progress on 109 actions.

The report detailed:

- The background from when the Improvement Board was established and subsequent inspections and interventions
- The progress and the Improvement Plan
- Performance including the summary of critical performance indicators
- Continuous Improvement Executive Group

In summary the concluding of the current plan marked a significant point in the journey of "Getting to Good". The plan demonstrated significant progress across Childrens Services in collaboration with partners to improving good outcomes for Children and Young People.

The Board congratulated all those involved in the journey so far.

The Board questioned the Cabinet Member and officers on the following:

- Partnership working
- The review of the Child Sexual Exploitation risk project
- The new Executive Group and reporting
- The high number of days taken for a child to enter care and move in with their adoptive family for children that have been adopted
- · Reducing the number of older children entering care
- Unaccompanied asylum seeking children

Officers commented on positive strong partnerships and the changing challenge of the health landscape. The high number of days taken for children to move in with their adoptive family was noted as a positive news story for the children involved as they were of teenage.

RESOLVED that the Scrutiny Board:

- 1) formally thank all those involved in the improvement journey
- 2) receive a briefing following each Executive Group meeting

48. Emotional Well-Being and Mental Health of Looked After Children

The Scrutiny Board considered a joint briefing note of the Deputy Chief Executive (People) and the Director of Commissioning Coventry and Rugby Clinical Commissioning Group (CRCCG) which provided an update on the Children and Adolescent Mental Health Service Looked After Children (CAMHS LAC) Service. The Scrutiny Board also considered information presented by Voices of Care regarding a project the participation team were exploring that would help young people support other young people's mental health.

To improve access to mental health support, a dedicated service for Looked After Children (CAMHS LAC) was jointly commissioned by Coventry and Rugby Clinical Commissioning Group and Coventry City Council. The service was formally launched in April 2017 and more recently the service had expanded to support care leavers from July 2018.

The Scrutiny Board welcomed Health partners from CRCCG, Coventry and Warwickshire NHS Partnership Trust (CWPT) and Coventry and Warwickshire Mind (CW Mind). The CAMHS LAC service is an integrated mental health service, which was delivered via a partnership between Coventry & Warwickshire NHS Partnership Trust (CWPT) and Coventry and Warwickshire Mind (CW Mind).

The briefing note highlighted:

- key features of the service
- future plans for integration with the Through Care team
- 2019 priorities
- Impact of the service changes
- Next steps

The Board questioned the Cabinet Member and officers on the following:

- Waiting times
- The impact on schools of Mental Health Issues
- Proactive prevention, for example, support for children from countries experiencing war
- Access to services for others who had experienced disruption such as families who Foster and Adopt

The Scrutiny Board were reassured that there had been improvements to waiting times although this was slower than it had been hoped and there were still improvements to be made. Also initial health assessments included mental health.

The Scrutiny Board were very positive about the Voices of Care project to empower young people and requested an update on whether Looked After Children receive the funding.

RESOLVED that the Scrutiny Board recommend to the Cabinet Member that adoptees and adopters receive the same access to emotional wellbeing and mental health services as Looked After Children and Care Leavers

49. Signs of Safety Implementation Manager Attendance at Conference

The Scrutiny Board considered a Briefing Note of the Deputy Chief Executive (People) which provided information regarding the attendance of the Signs of Safety Implementation Manager, at the Signs of Safety Conference held in Dublin on the 6th November 2018. The report detailed the costs and benefits of attendance.

The Signs of Safety approach to Safeguarding and Protecting Children was widely recognised internationally as the leading available participative approach to child protection casework. Since 2017, there had been a significant strategic approach to embed Signs of Safety across all multi-agency Children's Services; and practice Signs of Safety as the overarching practice framework model within Coventry.

The learning and knowledge from the conference had been included in the multi-agency training sessions to promote the continuous improvement work and the quality and consistency of practice and services provided to Children, Young People and their Families. Networking with other Practice Leads from across the UK had enabled Coventry to lead on a new 'Signs of Safety East / West Midlands' Practice Development group. Telford, Solihull and Sheffield had all showed an interest in working with Coventry in sharing learning, supporting new initiatives and building confidence within children's services.

The Scrutiny Board discussed the innovation and costs.

RESOLVED that the Scrutiny Board request that a training session for members be arranged on Signs of Safety

50. Work Programme

The Scrutiny Board noted the work programme.

51. **Any Other Business**

There were no other items of business

(Meeting closed at 3.55 pm)



Coventry City Council Minutes of the Meeting of Education and Children's Services Scrutiny Board (2) held at 2.00 pm on Thursday, 28 February 2019

Present:

Members: Councillor M Mutton (Chair)

Councillor L Bigham Councillor D Kershaw Councillor J Lepoidevin Councillor A Lucas Councillor P Male Councillor C Thomas

Co-Opted Members: Mrs S Hanson

Other Members: Councillor Maton, Cabinet Member for Children and Young

People

Employees (by Directorate):

People: A Brennan, A Coles, S Mills, K Nelson, J Silverton

Place: G Holmes, C Sinclair

Apologies: Councillor P Seaman and T Skipper

Public Business

44. Declarations of Interests

There were no declarations of interest.

45. **Incoming Deputy Mayor**

The Chair and members of the Board extended their best wishes and congratulations to Councillor Ann Lucas on the news that she will be the Deputy Lord Mayor during the 2019/20 municipal year.

46. Supported Transfers and Permanent Exclusions

The Board considered a briefing note which provided an overview of the number of permanent exclusions that had been implemented by Coventry Schools over the last three academic years and the post exclusion process leading to either an alternative school offer or alternative provision.

The rules governing exclusions from schools, academies and pupil referral units in England, were set out in s52 of the Education Act 2002, underpinned by Statutory Guidance "Exclusions from maintained schools, academies and pupil referral units – A guide for those with legal responsibilities in relation to exclusion" (September 2012, updated September 2017). In summary, the guidance states that the head

teacher of a publicly funded school may exclude a pupil from the school for a fixed period or permanently and this was explained in the briefing note together with data for the last three years on primary and secondary exclusions and alternative provision.

The briefing note also set out data on supported transfers. The Coventry Supported Transfer Protocol was implemented in November 2017 with the aim of reducing the amount of permanent exclusions and enabling pupils to remain in or, in the case of pupils from the Coventry Extended Learning Centre (CELC), return to mainstream education. This process required full co-operation from all parties involved and recognised that early intervention and support can bring longer-term benefits of maintaining school placements. As of December 2018, pupils from the CELC were discussed by the Fair Access Panel.

There had been 47 Supported Transfers in the current academic year (2018/19) of pupils into Coventry secondary schools. Of these 47 Supported Transfers, 5 have been successful, with these pupils now on the permanent roll of their receiving school, and 21 are ongoing Supported Transfers, with the pupils still on their first 12 week placement. However since April 2018, there have been a total of 61 supported transfers if this new system had not been implemented, almost all of these would have been seen as excluded pupils.

Members questioned officers on aspects including their concerns in respect of the increased number of exclusions. Officers explained a change in how figures were now required to be reported and that some strategies were now starting to have a significant impact on reducing exclusions. However in light of the recent publication of a paper from the Children's Commissioner entitled 'Keeping Kids Safe — improving safeguarding responses to gang violence and criminal exploitation', the Board agreed that a task group be established to examine the report and make recommendations for consideration by the Cabinet Member. The Board suggested that this group should include officers from Public Health and relevant external partners.

RESOLVED that the Board:

- (a) Note the report
- (b) Agree that a Member Task Group be established to examine the Children's Commissioner Paper entitled 'Keeping Kids safe improving safeguarding responses to gang violence and criminal exploitation' and report their recommendations to the Board and then the Cabinet Member for Education and Skills.

47. Education Service Redesign - Update on Progress

The Board considered a briefing note which provided an update on the impact of Education Services following the implementation of a phase on re-design in September 2017.

The redesign was undertaken with the aim of delivering a fit-for-purpose service that met the current needs of children, families and schools. The full partnership consultation process led to the co-design of a new delivery model. Some historic activities were ceased, new functions established and the overall structure

realigned to secure maximum efficiency and effectiveness. The new model was commended by the Scrutiny Co-ordination Committee. As a consequence of the service redesign £3m savings was released.

The revised model was implemented in September 2017. Ongoing review and development had seen further investment in the traded service to meet growing demand and enhanced provision to secure emerging gaps e.g. the establishment of an Inclusion and Attendance Team within the Education Entitlement Service.

Members questioned officers on the briefing note in respect of their thoughts on the summary of responses and noting that overall it was a positive report. The Board noted that there were a number of measures in place to ensure continuous improvement and review including:

- Ongoing dialogue with schools with a focus on performance
- An annual local authority survey of schools covering all services
- Education and skills division focus groups for staff who were not managers
- Network meetings for services managers to share good practice and challenges
- Monitoring of performance management including the establishment of an education performance dashboard.

In respect of performance monitoring and the establishment of an education performance dashboard, it was agreed that this be circulated to members before it is implemented.

RESOLVED that the Board note the report and receive the draft education performance dashboard for their comments before its implementation.

48. Coventry Education Performance

The Board considered a briefing note which provided an update on:

- Ofsted profile
- Early Years Foundation Stage
- Phonics and Key Stage 1
- Key Stage 2
- Key Stage 4
- 16-19 attainment
- Post-16 participation in education, employment and training

Data was provided on the following vulnerable groups:

- Disadvantaged pupils
- Pupils with an Education, Health and Care Plan (EHCP)
- Pupils receiving Special Educational Needs (SEN) Support
- White British Disadvantaged Boys
- Children Looked After (CLA)

The board noted that in 2018 there were some notable improvements

- Upward trend for EYFS and Year 1 phonics
- Improvement in KS2 results, specifically attainment

- Upward trend and improvements at a faster rate than national for almost all KS4 indicators
- Coventry NEET rate below (better than) national

The Board questioned officers on aspects of the report and sought to understand reasons for the 'below national' trend in the secondary phase. The Board noted a number of factors for this trend including exclusions and higher rates of SEND, however it was reported that they were working on an improvement trajectory which was ongoing and consistent over time to improve outcomes for all pupils to bring attainment in line with or above the national average.

RESOLVED that the Board note the content of the briefing note.

49. **Work Programme 2018-19**

The Board noted the Work Programme and agreed the following updates:

- SEND self-evaluation form to be considered at the meeting on 21 March 2019
- CAHMS to be considered at the meeting on 4 April 2019

50. Any Other Business

There were no other items of business.

(Meeting closed at 4.20 pm)

Agenda Item 4



Briefing note

To: Education and Children's Services Scrutiny Board (2)

Date: 21st March 2019

Subject: Coventry Youth Partnership - Update and Relationship with Council Provided

Youth Support

1 Purpose of the Note

1.1 To provide Education and Children's Services Scrutiny Board (2) with an update on the development of a new Coventry Youth Partnership and information about how the Partnership is working with Council provided targeted youth support.

2 Recommendations

- 2.1 The Education and Children's Services Scrutiny Board (2) are recommended to:
 - 1) Note progress on the development of the new Coventry Youth Partnership and support the ongoing development of this provision.
 - 2) Identify any further recommendations for the appropriate Cabinet Member

3 Background

- 3.1 As part of the Connecting Communities (Phase 2) approach, the Council's Cabinet decided, on 7th March 2017, that the Council would cease its provision of Universal Youth Services, delivering £630,000 savings.
- 3.2 Connecting Communities (Phase 2) focused on how services and support could be delivered differently in local communities with the greatest need. The guiding principle of this approach was to work with community groups and organisations to find community solutions.
- 3.3 Practically this meant Coventry City Council and voluntary and community sector partners starting out on a journey together to design future delivery of open access youth activities in Coventry.
- 3.4 This innovative approach, although not without risks, ultimately focused on enabling the delivery of new activities that would have positive outcomes for young people in Coventry. The approach also focused on actively encouraging partners to work collaboratively to make the most of community assets and realise shared goals.
- 3.5 Engagement with partners provoked overwhelming interest from the voluntary youth sector in providing universal youth support with several groups expressing an interest in delivery of youth work to mitigate against service reductions or wishing to establish a youth infrastructure body.

- 3.6 The purpose of the infrastructure body would be to co-ordinate future youth work activity, including training, quality, and the pattern of universal access provision, through creation and delivery of a Youth Strategy for the city, aligned to Coventry's Children and Young People Plan.
- 3.7 Groups and Organisations who expressed an interest in establishing the infrastructure body and those interested in delivering youth activities had the opportunity to apply for transition funding. These applications were then subject to a robust selection process.
- 3.8 All business cases were considered by a newly established Youth Mitigation Panel, consisting of Councillors, officers, and young people. The panel then made recommendations to the Director of Finance and Corporate Services as Section 151 Officer who had delegated decision-making powers for Transition Fund awards in consultation with Cabinet Member for Children and Young people and Cabinet Member for Education.

4 Awards approved for Transition Funding

- 4.1 In May 2017, the Positive Youth Foundation were awarded funding to the value of £80,000, in order for them to take on the role of the infrastructure body.
- 4.2 Awards of transition funding for the projects delivering youth activities were then evaluated and considered using the same process, with a representative of the Infrastructure body joining the Youth Mitigation panel to act as a special advisor. The panel approved transition funded awards to 6 projects for the set up and delivery of activities for young people. The organisations leading projects which secured funding are as follows:

Moat House Community Trust	Awarded £25,000 for the delivery of youth holiday activities and new evening youth sessions
Media Mania	Awarded £25,000 for the delivery of youth holiday activities and new evening youth sessions
Aptitude CIC	Awarded £22,186 for the delivery of open access youth clubs
Creative Optimistic Vision	Awarded £20,000 for the delivery of new open access youth club
Coventry Skatepark	Awarded £20,000 for the delivery of a youth work offer involving participation in youth urban wheeled sport
Belgrade Theatre	Awarded £14,528 for the delivery of an outreach programme of youth theatre activity

5 Establishing Coventry Youth Partnership

- 5.1 On approval of Positive Youth Foundation's business case in April 2017, work began to create Coventry Youth Partnership and engage and bring together partners across the city to establish a partnership with a joint purpose. Many of these partners had not previously known of each other or been able to collaborate successfully. Equally there were significant challenges and complexities regarding bringing organisations together who had formerly competed for resources.
- 5.2 This delicate work took time and energy; however, it has resulted in a highly effective partnership with a firmly established purpose and genuine outcomes of collaboration including resource sharing, referrals, co-delivery and support.
- 5.3 Coventry Youth Partnership now has 33 partner members ranging from small local agencies to large national organisations. Strategic relationships have also been developed with the West Midlands Police, City of Culture Trust and UK Youth. Membership of this group has fostered relationships between the partner agencies and had led to positive outcomes for the sector and Young people in the City.
- 5.4 Coventry Youth Partnership have conducted a skills audit of the sector and based on this has offered significant training and development opportunities to partners. Training courses have included Youth Mental First Aid, Understanding Impact Measurement, Equality and Diversity, Boundaries in Youth Work, and various others. This has been a critical element of the support to the sector and remains a priority for the partnership.
- 5.5 The skills audit also helped to shape the support given to the 6 delivery projects awarded transition funding. Coventry Youth Partnership supports these projects and various other voluntary sector bodies such as the Coventry Boys and Girls Club to deliver universal youth services across the city. This patch work of provision gels together under the youth partnership umbrella to deliver a broad range of activities for young people.
- This breadth of youth work includes engagement through various activities including sports and creative arts. Activities give young people the tools to help them make positive choices, build their confidence and self-esteem, and fulfil their potential. Projects also provide a safe space for young people to access support for issues with relationships, family, health and well-being and in some cases offer volunteering opportunities and inspire young people to be active citizens.
- 5.7 Although the Youth Survey undertaken last year indicated that many young people in the Coventry are not aware of youth activities taking place, indicative figures relating to attendance of activities coordinated by Coventry Youth Partnership are positive. Whilst final numbers for youth activity attendance across the partnership will be available after the end of the financial year, indications at this stage are that across the partnership, over 8,000 young people have accessed regular provision during the financial year, with over 15,000 young people accessing one-off events.
- 5.8 The activities funded by the transition fund were never designed to replicate previous provision, as this is a new innovative and collaborative way of working and is being delivered on a vastly smaller budget however, even at this early stage initial access figures are promising and show clear positive outcomes for Coventry's youth and the establishment of Coventry Youth Partnership represents a brave approach to respond innovatively to service reduction.
- 5.9 This collaborative way of working to create a new model of youth work in Coventry has attracted a great deal of attention from other local authorities including Bradford and Shropshire and has been highlighted as good practise as part the recent LGA Peer Review Challenge review. It was also submitted as an example for the Council of the year award.

5.10 For smaller organisations membership of Coventry Youth Partnership has also provided the opportunity to share their areas of expertise. Creative Optimistic Visions for example has been active in delivering training to the partnership through its Protective Behaviours model, as well as being one of the delivery partners for Coventry Youth Partnership's nationally funded EmpowHER, women and girls' provision.

6 Future Work

- 6.1 Coventry Youth Partnership have undertaken significant background work on the delivery of a youth strategy for the city and this is expected to be launched towards the end of 2018-19 financial year.
- 6.2 Coventry Youth Partnership is able to access funding not accessible to the council. The partnership has reached out to a range of funders to secure investment to undertake youth work and have successfully secured significant support. Going forward the partnership will continue to work to identify funding streams for the delivery of projects that benefit young people in Coventry.

Examples of funding generated in to the partnership:

Funder	Amount	Description
UK Youth	£31,320	Female Empowerment
Police and crime	£150,000	Work around Gangs
commissioner		-
Early Intervention Fund	£477,000	Youth Crime Violence
West Midlands Police and	£26,000	Crime Diversion/Knife Crime
Crime Commissioner		
Home Office	£11,100	Knife Crime
Sport England/CSW Sport	£10,000	Imminent – sports provision
Co-operative Bank	£20,000	Loneliness Consultation
Partners supported to access	£185,750 - £260,000	Range of funders. Range given due to caution of attribution.

7 Communication

- 7.1 As well as establishing and maintaining strong communications between partners, Coventry Youth Partnership understands that working to ensure young people in the city are aware of and are accessing available youth activity is vital.
- 7.2 Several communication mechanisms are being employed by Coventry Youth Partnership to achieve this. Examples include a quarterly newsletter, social media activity, and the Coventry Youth Partnership website and associated activity 'App'. Additionally, Coventry Youth Partnership have spoken at national conferences communicating the vision of the joint-approach and have released routine press releases. Coventry Youth Partnership plan to continue to promote Youth activities in the City to Young People to encourage engagement and uptake of youth activities.
- 7.3 Additionally, Coventry Youth Partnership have spoken at national conferences communicating the vision of the joint-approach and have released routine press releases. The model has attracted national interest from other local authorities and has identified Coventry City Council as an innovative authority in its approach to mitigating the changes in funding for youth service provision.

8 Coventry City Council targeted provision and potential for further links

- 8.1 There are currently 8 Family Hubs in Coventry located in areas of greatest need. Family Hubs provide a mixture of activities ranging from Health clinics to advice and information services for families. Each Family Hub has one full time equivalent professional youth worker. The role of these youth workers is to deliver targeted youth work programmes for young people and in some cases to deliver work to whole families.
- 8.2 The Council's targeted youth offer is in the main delivered through one to one direct work programmes. Young people are assessed using the sign of safety approach as part of an early help assessment. Youth workers work collaboratively with the young person they are supporting to identify what is going well in the young person life but also areas for concern.
- 8.3 The youth worker will then use this information to devise a programme to support the young person. This programme is typically between 4 and 12 weeks long and the direct work can take place at either the family hub, school or young person's home.
- 8.4 Each youth worker supports a caseload of young people and in many cases the youth workers also deliver group work interventions. One example of this is the youth club delivered a Mosaic Family hub in Tile Hill. Here a programme of weekly sessions is delivered to young people. Young people access the provision and work with a youth worker to address issues that they might be facing.
- 8.5 During the first year of the Family Hub model being rolled out, youth workers have been settling in to their roles, getting to know their new teams, and undertaking necessary training.
- 8.6 Links have also begun to be established between the Council's targeted youth work and the universal community youth work. This has included targeted youth workers signposting individuals to activities taking place in their communities.
- 8.7 However, as Family Hub provision becomes more established, workers will build on this further by developing relationships across the youth sector via the Coventry Youth Partnership.
- 8.8 Council officers and members of Coventry Youth Partnership are committed to continuing to develop strong links and Coventry Youth Partnership will be meeting with Council targeted youth workers in April 2019 to further the dialogue around partnership working, to ensure the best use of limited resources.

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21st June 2018

The Role of the Corporate Parent

Fostering

Adoption Central England

19th July 2018

Supported Internships

The Virtual School for Looked After Children

Improvement Board 4th July Update Report

6th September 2018

Primary Progress (Unvalidated data)

SCR - Baby F

4th October 2018

Partnership Working for Children's Services

1st November 2018

One Strategic Plan consultation:

- 1) Secondary School Places
- 2) SEND Phase One

Improvement Board 3rd October Update Report

29th November 2018

Review of Libraries

Home to School Transport

Social, Emotional and Mental Health Task and Finish

14th February 2019

Early Help Hubs

Final Improvement Board Report

CAMHS LAC service

Conference Report

28th February 2019

School Performance Information - validated data

Review of the Education Service redesign

Supported Transfers and Permanent Exclusions

21st March 2019

Coventry Youth Partnership

4th April 2019

Coventry Parenting Strategy

CAMHS

SEND SEF

Ofsted feedback

Date to be determined

Education, Sport, and Participation Strategy

School based police panels

Secure Provision

2019-20

Serious Case Review

Adoption Central England – June 2019

Early Help Hubs (February 2020)

Children's Service Executive Group

Library Review

Date	Title	Detail	Cabinet Member/ Lead Officer
21 st June 2018	The Role of the Corporate Parent	Overall briefing and introduction to the role of being a corporate parent – including some facts and figures about Coventry	Paul Smith Cllr Seaman
	Fostering	Covering where we are and what we're doing - recruitment - specialist fostering - special guardianships, progress on recommendations. To be linked in with the previous T&F on Fostering.	Paul Smith Cllr Seaman
	Adoption Central England	Covering progress since the transfer and establishment of the new organisation, along with some facts and figures on the current position with adoption	Paul Smith Cllr Seaman
19 th July 2018	Supported Internships	The Cabinet Member referred this item to the Board to look at in more detail and consider how the programme can be supported further	Cllr Maton Jeanette Essex
	The Virtual School for Looked After Children	To look at the virtual school for looked after children	Cllr Seaman Paul Smith Sarah Mills
	Improvement Board 4 th July Update Report	A regular progress report from the Improvement Board	John Gregg Sonia Watson Cllr Seaman
6 th September 2018	Primary Progress (Unvalidated data)	Members requested a report in September of the unvalidated data when available	Kirston Nelson Cllr Maton
	SCR – Baby F	For Members to consider progress on the recommendations arising from the SCR of Baby F	Neil MacDonald Rebekah Eaves Clir Seaman
4 th October 2018	Partnership Working for Children's Services	Members requested information about working with partners to achieve the outcomes for the Children's Services improvement plan.	John Gregg Cllr Seaman
1 st November 2018	One Strategic Plan consultation:	Consultation on the proposals to increase school places across the city.	Kirston Nelson Cllr Maton

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	1) Secondary School Places 2) SEND Phase One		
	Improvement Board 3 rd October Update Report	A regular progress report from the Improvement Board	John Gregg Sonia Watson Cllr Seaman
29 th Review of L November 2018	Review of Libraries	To include information about how libraries can become hubs for community wellbeing, as well as progress on the changes implemented last year. Maybe to take place at a library involving some of the volunteers involved.	Peter Barnett Kirston Nelson Cllr Maton
	Home to School Transport	A follow up report covering on applications, decisions and appeals and amendments to the process.	Jeanette Essex Kirston Nelson Cllr Maton
	Social, Emotional and Mental Health Task and Finish	Recommendations from the task and finish group looking at support in schools for pupils social, emotional and mental health.	Cllr Seaman Kirston Nelson Jeanette Essex
	Early Help Hubs	A follow up report to that received on 4 th October, to include evaluation data, sharing good practice, use of satellite venues and outreach work, engagement with schools and education and how the impact of the work is being assessed and evidenced	John Gregg Rebecca Wilshire Cllr Seaman Cllr Maton
	Final Improvement Board Report	A final summary report of the progress made whilst the Improvement Board has been in place. To also include transitional arrangements for monitoring performance in Children's Services	John Gregg Cllr Seaman
	CAMHS LAC service	Following their consideration of the Children's Service Improvement Board report on the 1 st November, Members requested a review of impact following the launch in April. To invite Care Leavers to talk about their experiences.	Health partners John Gregg Sheila Bates Cllr Seaman
	Conference Report	A report on a conference on Signs of Safety.	Lee Pardy- McLaughlin

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28 th February 2019	School Performance Information – validated data	A report on school performance data using validated data, including LAC and vulnerable groups	Sara Mills Kirston Nelson
	Review of the Education Service redesign	Following a meeting where the proposals for a new structure for the Educations service were considered, Members requested a progress report following implementation. To include an invite to the Regional Schools Commissioner	Kirston Nelson Cllr Maton
	Supported Transfers and Permanent Exclusions	A follow up report on the impact of the new supported transfer system 6 months on.	Sara Mills Kirston Nelson
21 st March 2019	Coventry Youth Partnership	To discuss the new Coventry Youth Partnership, young people involved in the panel to be invited. To include how targeted youth provision provided by the Council will link in with the partnership.	Cllr Seaman Michelle McGinty
4 th April 2019	Coventry Parenting Strategy	A 12 month progress report, to include rag ratings against actions	Sue Frossell
	CAMHS	At their meeting on 1 st November, the Board requested a report on CAMHS, particularly looking at waiting times. Also to include how CAMHS is working with education	CWPT Sally Giles Cllr Seaman
	SEND SEF	Self-assessment ahead of the Ofsted inspection of SEND services.	
	Ofsted feedback	Feedback from the latest Ofsted visit	John Gregg Cllr Seaman
Date to be determined	Education, Sport, and Participation Strategy	Following their meeting on 6 th September 2018, Members requested further information on the draft strategy	Sarah Mills Cllr Maton
	School based police panels	A report on how the police are supporting improving behaviour in schools and tackling anti-social behaviour in partnership	Kirston Nelson Cllr Maton
	Secure Provision	To look in more detail at the provision of secure placements and custody for young people across the region	John Gregg
2019-20	Serious Case Review	To consider progress on recommendations from a recent SCR	Rebekah Eaves

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	Adoption Central England – June 2019	As requested at their meeting on 21st June to provide a further progress report, along with some facts and figures on the current position with adoption	Paul Smith
	Early Help Hubs (February 2020)	To cover the recommendations made at the meeting on 14 th February 2019 – the dashboard to include those over 19 using the service	John Gregg/ Rebecca Wilshire
	Children's Service Executive Group	Regular progress reports to be received by the Board after every Executive Group meeting	John Gregg
	Library Review	Members requested to consider a report to the Cabinet Member 3 months after implementation on lone working in libraries	Peter Barnett

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