

**Minutes of the meeting of Cabinet Member (Children and Young People) held at  
2.00pm 4<sup>th</sup> September, 2013**

Present:

Cabinet Member: Councillor Duggins

Deputy Cabinet Member: Councillor Innes

Employees (by Directorate):

People: A. Pepper, L Ricketts

Resources: J. Newman, U. Patel

Apologies: Councillor Lepoidevin (Shadow Cabinet Member)

**Public business**

**11. Declarations of Interest**

There were no declarations of interest.

**12. Minutes**

(a) The minutes of the Cabinet Member (Children and Young People) meeting held on 8<sup>th</sup> August 2013 were agreed as a true record.

(b) There were no matters arising.

**13. Update on Progress of Troubled Families Programme**

The Cabinet Member considered a joint report of the Directors of Children, Learning and Young People and Community Services which provided an update on progress on the Troubled Families Programme.

The Troubled Families programme based within Early Intervention and Prevention would be used as a platform to help Coventry transform how services are delivered into families with a range of defined needs which might also but not exclusively, be combined with complex needs. The approach would challenge traditional service delivery models, which some families experience as unresponsive and difficult to access at time of greatest need. The programme would provide families with timely access to co-ordinated and integrated services, and would work with families to define their individual needs in order to help them achieve positive and sustainable outcomes by increasing their resilience and opportunities.

The Children, Learning and Young People's Directorate would set out how agencies would work together, in a different way to deliver the Troubled Families Programme in Coventry. In Coventry, the Troubled Families programme would be called the "Children & Family First (CFF) Intensive Family Support Programme. The programme defined greater collaboration and integration between services. A whole family approach would be employed, with services taking account of the needs of each family member as

well as the wider family context. Families would identify the support needed and the services they required and plans would be developed around these specific set requirements.

**RESOLVED that the Cabinet Member (Children and Young People):**

- 1. Considered the briefing note submitted by the Education and Children's Services Scrutiny Board (2).**
- 2. Endorsed the progress achieved to date on the Department of Communities and Local Government (DCLG) Troubled Families Programme within Coventry known locally as the Children & Family First Intensive Family Support Programme and acknowledged the challenges faced.**

**14. Outstanding Issues**

There were no outstanding issues to report.

**15. Any Other Public Business**

There were no other items of public business.

(Meeting closed at: 2.30pm)