

Report

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To: Coventry Health and Wellbeing Board

From: Gail Quinton – Executive Director (People)

Subject: Children and Young People Plan and Children's Partnership Governance Arrangements

1 Purpose

- 1.1 For Health and Wellbeing Board to consider and approve:
 - The new Children and Young People Plan.
 - Revised governance arrangements to oversee implementation and delivery of the Plan.

2 Recommendations

- 1. Health and Wellbeing Board to sign off the Children and Young People Plan that has been agreed by partners represented at the Children's Joint Commissioning Board (now to be the Children and Young People Partnership Board).
- 2. The new Children and Young People Partnership Board to be a formal sub-group of The Health and Wellbeing Board and report performance and development on a six monthly basis.

3 Children and Young People Plan

- 3.1 The new Plan has been endorsed by all partner organisations represented at the former Children's Joint Commissioning Board (including the City Council, Coventry and Rugby CCG, Coventry and Warwickshire Partnership NHS Trust and West Midlands Police).
- 3.2 The document is articulated in the form of a 'plan on a page' (appendix 1) and replaces the now expired 2011-2014 Children and Young People's Plan.
- 3.3 The Plan carries the vision over from the previous document, with the exception of adding reference to 'communities' and clarity that the plan covers 'conception to early adulthood'.

We want Coventry children and young people to have supportive families and communities, live safe from harm, their level of achievement, health and wellbeing improves and they have positive and fulfilling lives. - Conception to early adulthood.

- 3.4 The four priorities in the Plan are:
 - Early help
 - Be healthy

- Stay safe
- Education, training and employment
- 3.5 The presence of a clear overarching Plan with delivery plans owned by partners in the City will be critical in articulating to Ofsted the long term vision across the strategic children's partnership for driving improvement in children's outcomes.

4 Governance Arrangements

4.1 The Plan will require partners to work differently together. Therefore, to ensure effective implementation, revised governance arrangements (figure 1) to be implemented from January 2016 have been agreed by partner organisations at the former Children's Joint Commissioning Board.

4.2 In summary:

- The Children's Joint Commissioning Board has become a new 'Children and Young People Partnership Board' and is proposed it will report to the Health and Wellbeing Board.
- The current Joint Commissioning Business Group will become the 'Children and Young People Joint Commissioning Group' and report to the Partnership Board.
- 4.3 The formulation of a Children and Young People Partnership Board is pivotal in overseeing the new Plan. The Board will be responsible for monitoring the implementation of the Plan, providing partnership challenge, leadership and direction. Crucially, there will be an expectation that Partnership Board members drive change by harnessing the range of resources and expertise available across the public and voluntary sector.
- 4.4 It is recommended that the Children and Young People Partnership Board will report to the Health and Wellbeing Board on a six monthly basis on performance and development. This recognises that the Health and Wellbeing Board is accountable for long term sustainable improvement.
- 4.5 The role of the Children and Young People Joint Commissioning Group will be to ensure the detailed commissioning arrangements are in place to deliver the new Plan.
- 4.6 The Plan, or Children and Young People Partnership Board is not intended to duplicate the work of the Health and Wellbeing Board, Improvement Board or any other Strategic Group such as the Local Safeguarding Children's Board. There is no intention to set up additional Boards or Groups to deliver the Plan. Instead the focus will on using existing groups to deliver coherent delivery plans that meet the four priorities and range of outcomes set out.

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Figure 1. Illustration of proposed governance and strategic positioning.

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Appendices

Appendix 1: Children and Young People's Plan

Appendix 2: Children and Young People's Partnership ToR