

SLOUGH BOROUGH COUNCIL

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PART I **FOR INFORMATION**

CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE'S PARTNERSHIP BOARD – UPDATE

1. **Purpose of Report**

To update the Slough Wellbeing Board on the work of the Children and Young People's Partnership Board.

2. **Recommendation(s)/Proposed Action**

The Board is requested to note the report.

3. **The Slough Joint Wellbeing Strategy, the JSNA and the Five Year Plan**

3a. **Slough Joint Wellbeing Strategy Priorities**

The Children and Young People's Plan sits underneath the Slough Wellbeing Strategy and sets out how the Children and Young People's Partnership will deliver the children and young people's agenda within it.

The priorities in the Children and Young People's Plan supports Slough's Joint Wellbeing Strategy's (SJWS) priorities in the following ways:

- Health – the priorities in the CYPP aim to improve children and young people's emotional and physical health and encourage healthy eating.
- Economy and Skills – working on the child poverty and educational attainment priorities directly links to the SJW's aim to increase prosperity, improve the take up of free school meals and improve the educational attainment of the most deprived pupils.
- Safer Communities – the Plan will support the Slough Local Safeguarding Children's Board (SLCB) in safeguarding and supporting vulnerable children through the children's services improvement programme and early help agenda.

A children and young people's needs assessment was completed using the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment (JSNA) and other data sources to help identify the key priorities that the Children and Young People's Partnership should include in their Plan.

3b. **Five Year Plan Outcomes**

The Children and Young People's Plan sits in line with Slough Borough Council's Five Year Plan in delivering against Outcome 5: Children and Young People in Slough will be healthy, resilient and have positive life chances.

There are a series of key actions underneath Outcome 5, which the Plan will help to:

- Enable children and young people to lead emotionally and physically healthy lives
- Enable children to live safe, independent and responsible lives
- Enable children and young people to enjoy life and learning, to feel confident about their futures and aspire to achieve their individual potential

4. **Other Implications**

(a) Financial -

There are no financial implications of proposed action.

(b) Risk Management

There are no significant risks related to the recommendation in this report.

(c) Human Rights Act and Other Legal Implications

There are no Human Rights Act or other legal implications related to this report.

5. **Supporting Information**

5.1 The new Children and Young People's Plan was agreed in July 2015 made up of seven priorities:

- 1) To provide outstanding services to the most vulnerable children and young people in the borough.
- 2) To support children and young people's emotional and mental wellbeing.
- 3) To support children and young people's physical wellbeing.
- 4) To reduce the level and impact of poverty on the life chances of children and young people in the borough.
- 5) To deliver the expanded 'Families First' programme, achieving significant and sustained progress for our most troubled families.
- 6) To strengthen our universal offer, making it accessible to vulnerable groups.
- 7) To ensure children and young people are engaged and helped to access opportunities that will enable them to reach their full potential.

5.2 The Children and Young People's Partnership Board have established three permanent Sub Groups who have been allocated specific priorities to deliver:

- Health Sub Group – priorities 2 and 3
- Early Help Sub Group – priorities 4 (which includes the Child Poverty Strategy), 5 and 6
- Achieving Sub Group – priority 7

There was also a Children's Services Improvement Sub Group which has been disbanded for the time being, whilst the new Slough Children's Services Trust reviews its improvement programme and agrees on the most appropriate partnership arrangements to take this agenda forward.

5.3 Each of the permanent Sub Groups have developed action plans to deliver their allocated priorities and some key activities have begun:

- The development of a draft CAMHS Strategy for public consultation;
- The completion of a Transformation of Service pilot in two secondary schools to assess the effectiveness of early help interventions on the mental wellbeing of young people identified with anxiety, low mood and self harm issues. The interventions were seen as effective, reducing symptoms and need for referral to specialist CAMHS;
- Increasing uptake of free toothbrushes although not yet at planned levels, with negotiations planned with local dental practices regarding preventative visits;
- The commissioning of a new lifestyle weight management service;
- The allocation of money to Slough through the Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) from NHS England, to deliver the Anti-Stigma Campaign around mental health assessments for children who have been sexually exploited;
- The Families First Programme has moved into phase two with the proposed outcomes approved and work commencing with families;
- An Early Help Strategy is in development;
- Actions to deliver the Child Poverty Strategy include a matching exercise of family level data from Families First and Early Help services and a Quarter 3 audit will review identification of poverty and impact on the early help offer and outcomes;
- Training has been provided on Universal Credit; and
- The 2015 education validated results are coming through, with improvements being seen in key stage 1 and key stage 2, however white disadvantaged boys are still a concern.

6. **Conclusion**

The Children and Young People's Partnership Board has begun the process of delivering the priorities identified in the Children and Young People's Plan (May 2015-December 2016), and will continue to focus on its key aims over the next 12 months.

In addition, in light of the findings from the recent Ofsted inspection, and review of the Slough Wellbeing Board partnership arrangements, the Children and Young People's Partnership arrangements will also be reviewed.

7. **Background Papers**

1 - Children and Young People's Plan May 2015-December 2016