

# Slough Children and Young People's Partnership

## Terms of Reference Agreed February 2020

The Slough Children and Young People's Partnership will provide strategic oversight and coordinate system wide improvements to provide the best outcomes for children and young people.

Partners will work collaboratively to share information and resources to agree and deliver objectives which are also informed by the voice of local children and families.

### 1. Vision

**1.1. To ensure that Slough is a great place for children to grow up and live happy, healthy and successful lives**

### 2. Strategic Role and Purpose

- 2.1. To provide strategic direction and oversight of the delivery of services supporting the wellbeing of children and young people in Slough (aged 0-25)
- 2.2. To ensure that effective multi-agency working is in place
- 2.3. To evaluate the quality and effectiveness of multi-agency processes and services in improving outcomes including strategic quality assurance of impact
- 2.4. To lead on the delivery of the Starting Well Priority of the Wellbeing Board
- 2.5. To inform and improve future planning and service delivery so as to improve outcomes for children, young people and families; with a particular focus on early help and early intervention

### 3. Shared Responsibilities

- 3.1. Produce a Children and Young People's Plan (CYPP) by May 2020 for the next 3 – 5 years using shared data and intelligence
- 3.2. Oversee the delivery of the CYPW Strategy and related strategies including the Multi-Agency Early Help Strategy
- 3.3. Agree systems and processes for effective information sharing and collaboration and identify measures of success to actively track and manage progress
- 3.4. Oversee relevant partnership improvement plans including preparation for and response to external Inspections with a particular focus on the ILACS inspection of children's social care
- 3.5. Work collaboratively to identify and resolve any issues that appear in the children's system to ensure children and families receive timely and effective support appropriate to their needs
- 3.6. Champion the voice of children, young people and families, ensuring that they are represented in both strategic planning and service delivery

- 3.7. Engage with relevant forums and related boards to promote excellent outcomes for children, young people and families

#### **4. Membership**

- 4.1. Membership to be finalised and agreed at the inaugural meeting of the new Partnership on 3 February 2020

#### **5. Chairing Responsibilities**

- 5.1. Chaired by Slough's Director of Children's Services
- 5.2. Be a champion for children, young people and families and exercise the statutory requirement of support and challenge to the whole child system in Slough.
- 5.3. Secure active involvement and commitment from all agencies involved in the delivery of support to children and families in Slough

#### **6. Role of Members**

- 6.1. Attend or be represented and actively engage in meetings, challenging and supporting members of the group
- 6.2. Share information, data and quality assurance to allow the board to determine outcomes, impact and progress in meeting children's needs.
- 6.3. Take responsibility for a specified area of delivery if required and drive improvements
- 6.4. Represent and feed in the views of your representing organisation
- 6.5. Be champions for children, young people and families
- 6.6. Actively work in partnership to deliver the Starting well priority of the Children and Young People's Wellbeing Strategy and to take accountability for the delivery of outcomes

#### **7. Communications**

- 7.1. Agree strategic communications to ensure widespread awareness of the work of the partnership, services and support available
- 7.2. Communicate any issues or messages back to respective organisations effectively

#### **8. Governance**

- 8.1. The Board is accountable to the Slough Health and Wellbeing Board
- 8.2. To meet three times year – half day workshop style and thematic
- 8.3. To agree the need for and remit of any operational sub-groups including task and finish groups relating to the planning and delivery of the boards priorities – see section "Related Boards"
- 8.4. See governance diagram Figure 1 and Children's Partnership Boards Figure 2
- 8.5. The C&YPP Terms of Reference and Membership to be reviewed in Autumn 2020 meeting and annually thereafter

## **9. Related Boards (\*Statutory)**

- 9.1. Health and Wellbeing Board\*
  - 9.2. Slough Safeguarding Partners\*
  - 9.3. Safer Slough Partnership\*
  - 9.4. Slough Strategic Education Partnership Board
  - 9.5. Youth Violence Task Force
  - 9.6. YOT Board
  - 9.7. Prevent Board
  - 9.8. Slough SEND and Inclusion Board
  - 9.9. East Berks Children's and Young People's Transformation Plan Group
  - 9.10. Adults Health and Social care Board
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## **Potential themes for Children & Young People's Partnership Plan / Wellbeing Strategy**

- 1. Early Help – Including Strengthening Families
- 2. Parenting
- 3. Improvements in children's social care services
- 4. Physical and mental health outcomes of CYP
- 5. Starting well element of the Wellbeing Board priorities