

<b>Subject:</b>	<b>Performance Reports</b>		
<b>Date of Meeting:</b>	<b>9 June 2008</b>		
<b>Report of:</b>	<b>Director of Children's Services</b>		
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<b>Key Decision:</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Forward Plan No. N/A</b>	
<b>Wards Affected:</b>	<b>All</b>		

### FOR GENERAL RELEASE

#### 1. SUMMARY AND POLICY CONTEXT:

- 1.1 This report presents the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter Performance Improvement Report (PIR) for 2007/8 and the full year report on the Children and Young People's Plan (CYPP).
- 2.2 The PIR provides the Board with an overview of key issues which relate to the governance of the CYPT. The report on the CYPP success criteria enables to the Board to judge the progress made towards achieving the Trust's priorities.

#### 2. RECOMMENDATIONS:

##### That the CYPTB:-

- (1) Notes the data and analysis in the PIR and agrees to the action being taken to improve performance.
- (2) Agrees to replace the activity level report on targeted health visiting caseloads with a report on the CYPT's parenting programme as a more effective proxy to measure progress towards delivering more preventive and early intervention services.

#### 3. RELEVANT BACKGROUND INFORMATION/CHRONOLOGY OF KEY EVENTS:

- 3.1 The CYPTB has previously agreed to receive a quarterly PIR. The purpose and content of the report is set out in an introductory section to the document (Appendix 1).
- 3.2 The CYPTB has also previously agreed to receive a 6 monthly progress report on the success criteria set out in the CYPP (Appendix 2).

3.3 The data and analysis in both reports will inform the CYPT's Self Assessment for Ofsted's 2008 Annual Performance Assessment of the council's children's services. The information in both reports flows from and/or informs a range of other assessments and plans that the CYPT partnership makes a contribution to, including the council's Corporate Plan, the Local Area Agreement and the Joint Strategic Needs Analysis of children's health services.

#### **4. CONSULTATION**

4.1 Both the PIR and the half-year report on the CYPP have been produced in consultation with the lead officers responsible for those areas of service.

#### **5. FINANCIAL & OTHER IMPLICATIONS:**

Financial Implications:

There are no direct financial implications arising from this report.

Finance Officer consulted: David Ellis

Date: 27.5.08

##### 5.1 Legal Implications:

The report summarises performance improvement activity over the last quarter and asks the Board to note areas of concern. The proposed actions will enable the Trust to more effectively meet its statutory duties to children and young people.

Lawyer consulted: Abraham Ghebre-Ghiorghis

Date: 27.5.08

##### 5.2 Equalities Implications:

This report does not directly address equalities issues but the CYPP sets the principles that determine the delivery and commissioning of services to improve outcomes for children and young people from diverse communities and groups, and for those who live in deprived geographical communities.

##### 5.3 Sustainability Implications:

The CYPP is organised under the *5 Every Child Matters* outcomes which directly support the council's sustainability strategy including, concern for quality of life and well being, health improvement and healthy schools, enjoyment and participation in cultural & leisure activities, achievement of economic well being and effective clinical governance and health.

##### 5.4 Crime & Disorder Implications:

This Report includes a report on First Time Entrants into the Youth Justice System and young people who are not in employment, education and training which includes young people supervised by the Youth Offending team

##### 5.5 Risk and Opportunity Management Implications:

The CYPT Senior Management Team has reviewed its arrangements for reporting and managing risk and relevant data will be included in the next Performance Improvement Report to the Board.

#### 5.6 Corporate / Citywide Implications:

Quarterly CYPP Performance Improvement Reports and 6 monthly reports on the CYPP are the basis for performance reporting to the council's TMT, to the PCT and for monitoring the Local Area Agreement and Sustainable Community Strategy. This report also informs performance report to the Local Safeguarding Children Board and is linked to the PCTs Operating Framework.

### **6. EVALUATION OF ANY ALTERNATIVE OPTION(S):**

- 6.1 The alternative option would be not to review the performance of the CYPT Partnership at a strategic level. This is not recommended, as it would undermine the effectiveness of the CYPT's governance and partnership arrangements.
- 6.2 The content and presentation of the PIR is kept under constant review. Performance reports are presented by exception only. An alternative option would be to reduce the length of the PIR.
- 6.3 It is intended to publish a new Children and Young People's Plan in April 2009 and, as part of the review process, careful consideration will be given to ensuring the performance framework is fit for purpose and reflects the national policy to reduce the burden of reporting across the public sector.

### **7. REASONS FOR REPORT RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 7.1 The Children's Trust and the CYPTB have a responsibility to continuously look at ways to improve well being for children, young people and their families and rigorous, flexible performance review is part of that process.
- 7.2 The recommendation to replace the activity level report on targeted health visiting caseloads with a report on the CYPT's parenting programme has been made because the 'targeting' function has been replaced by the Health Visitor's decision to complete an assessment using the Common Assessment Framework (CAF), and because the CYPT Parenting Programme now has the capacity to generate data that complements other information in the PIR.

## **SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION**

### **Appendices:**

- 1. 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter Performance Improvement Report

2. Full Year Report on CYPP Success Criteria

**Documents In Members' Rooms**

1. None.

**Background Documents**

1. None