

Subject: CYPP Performance Report
Date of Meeting: Monday, November 1st 2010
Report of: Strategic Director- People
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Key Decision: No
Wards Affected: All

FOR GENERAL RELEASE

1. SUMMARY AND POLICY CONTEXT:

- 1.1 The Children's Trust Board is responsible for the publication, delivery and monitoring of the Children and Young People's Plan (CYPP). This report provides a progress check on the delivery of the CYPP in relation to the 4 Strategic Improvement Priorities and the related performance measures.
- 1.2 The report is also designed to inform the Board's discussion about future arrangements for partnership working across services for children, young people and their families.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS:

- 2.1 That the Board notes the data and analysis in the CYPP Performance Report and agrees to the action being taken to improve performance.
- 2.2 That the Board provides feedback about the structure and content of the report to ensure that Board members receive the necessary level of information to enable them to fulfil the Board's monitoring function.

3. RELEVANT BACKGROUND INFORMATION/CHRONOLOGY OF KEY EVENTS:

- 3.1 The information in the CYPP Performance Report flows from, and/or informs a range of other documents including the council's Corporate Plan and the Strategic Commissioning Plan for NHS Brighton and Hove.
- 3.2 Future requirements from central government around targets and statutory data returns are set to change significantly. The National Indicator set will be replaced by a single, comprehensive list of all the data local government will be expected to provide to central government. The list is anticipated to be in place by April 2011. Similar significant changes in respect of NHS data and reporting were outlined in the recent NHS White Paper.

- 3.3 Ofsted's annual children's services assessment for 2010 (for all local authorities) will be published on December 9th 2010. The assessment will be directly relevant to the Board's role in respect of the CYPP. Ofsted's assessment is based on 3 'blocks' of evidence:

Block A: the findings from regular and ongoing inspection and regulation of services, settings and institutions

Block B: findings from the safeguarding and looked after children services inspections; unannounced inspection of contact, referral and assessment arrangements for children in need and children who may be in need of protection; evaluations of serious case reviews; and, if a full inspection of safeguarding and looked after children services has not taken place, the findings from the joint area review inspections

Block C: performance against Every Child Matters indicators from the National Indicator Set.

- 3.4 The CYPP Performance Report provides information relating to Block C but includes additional local information and, in some cases, more recent data than that held by Ofsted.

4. CONSULTATION

- 4.1 The CYPP Performance Improvement Report has been produced in consultation with the lead officers responsible for those areas of service.

5. FINANCIAL & OTHER IMPLICATIONS:

Financial Implications:

- 5.1 There are some financial implications as a result of this report; however they are not possible to quantify at this stage. Any costs associated with the actions in paragraph 2.1 to improve performance, will have to be met from the existing CYPT budget."

Finance Officer Consulted: Andy Moore

Date: 11.10.10

5.2 Legal Implications:

The report assists the Board in its role of developing and monitoring the Children and Young People's Plan. As such it will also assist the partner agencies in assessing whether they are meeting their duties under the Children Act 1989 and 2004.

Layer Consulted: Natasha Watson

Date: 19.10.2010

Equalities Implications:

- 5.3 This report addresses equalities issues by reflecting the principles set out in the Children and Young People's Plan (CYPP) 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.

Sustainability Implications:

- 5.4 This report does not directly address sustainability issues but it underpins the CYPP which supports 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.

Crime & Disorder Implications:

- 5.5 This report includes data relating to outcomes for young offenders, specifically the proportion of young people within the Youth Justice System receiving a conviction in court who are sentenced to custody. Education/training outcomes for young offenders are also addressed within the work with the NEET cohort (NI 117)

Risk and Opportunity Management Implications:

- 5.6 A risk and opportunity assessment was conducted as part of the development of the CYPP. The CYPT Performance Board keeps the CYPP priority indicators under constant monthly review and selects key challenges for in depth discussion and risk assessment.

Corporate / Citywide Implications:

- 5.7 The CYPP Performance Report is the basis for performance reporting to the council's Strategic Leadership Board, to the PCT and for monitoring the Local Area Agreement and Sustainable Community Strategy. This report also informs performance reporting to the Local Safeguarding Children's Board.

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 CYPP Performance Report will be kept under constant review. The size and complexity of the report can be reduced according to feedback from the Board as addressed in 2.2 above.

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.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION

Appendices:

1. Children and Young People's Plan Performance Report
(Appendix 1)

Documents In Members' Rooms

1. None

Background Documents

1. None