



HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD: 29th NOVEMBER 2018

REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES

LEICESTERSHIRE CHILDREN AND FAMILIES PARTNERSHIP PLAN 2018 – 2021 PROGRESS UPDATE

Purpose of the report

1. The purpose of this report is to present a progress update on the Children and Families Partnership Plan 2018-21.

Link to the local Health and Care System

2. The Children and Families Partnership plan is aligned to the Leicestershire County Council Strategic Plan and the Children and Families Departmental Plan and focuses on the added value of approaching strategic priorities in partnership for children and families.

Recommendation

3. The Health and Wellbeing Board is asked to note the report.

Policy Framework and Previous Decisions

4. In November 2016 the Health and Wellbeing Board approved the terms of reference for a Children and Families Partnership to replace the Supporting Leicestershire Families Executive as a subgroup of the Health and Wellbeing Board. The expanded remit included oversight of how the priorities for children and families as set out in the draft Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy, are delivered.
5. In May 2018 the Health and Wellbeing Board approved the draft Children and Families Partnership Plan for 2018 – 21. The Board requested that the Children and Families Partnership provide progress reports every six months.

Background

6. The Children and Families Partnership Plan is a strategic document which sets out the shared vision for children, young people and their families and the priority outcomes that need to be improved. The Plan is not intended to be a detailed description of the individual work of each partner, but rather a summary of key areas of work that are best delivered together in order to have the biggest impact on the lives of children and young people.
7. The Partnership have adopted the five supporting outcomes of the Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy relating to children and young people as the priority areas for the Plan:

- i. Ensure the best start in life– by developing an integrated early years pathway which ensures needs are assessed to enable appropriate interventions are offered and the development of a communication strategy to promote the 1001 critical days;
 - ii. Keep children safe and free from harm – by developing and embedding an integrated model of services to prevent harm to children and young people and make children safe by raising awareness of universal safety messages;
 - iii. Support children and families to be resilient - by developing an integrated approach to family resilience and self-sufficiency, provide joined up information and guidance to enable families to be self-sufficient and navigate services and support families to progress towards work;
 - iv. Ensure vulnerable families receive personalised, integrated care and support – by providing integrated, outcome-based, high quality, cost-effective provision and developing a post-16 multi-agency delivery model;
 - v. Enable children to have good physical and mental health - by developing a whole system approach based on 'Making obesity everyone's business' and developing a partnership approach to emotional and mental wellbeing;
8. The Plan was officially launched on the 20 September with representatives from local councils, the police, schools, NHS, the voluntary sector and other agencies attending a special event at County Hall.
 9. Priority leads are working with partners and other key stakeholders to deliver the action plans agreed against each outcome. The full action plan, including progress against each outcome is detailed in Appendix A Key progress highlights so far are as follows.
 - Resources for professionals and parent/carers, promoting school readiness have been produced and were launched in September 2018;
 - A multi-agency pathway for the review and analysis of domestic abuse incidents affecting children has been developed and is currently being piloted;
 - Leicestershire's Family Information and Adult Social directories have been merged and a new Leicestershire Information & Support Directory (LISD) is now live;
 - A Multidisciplinary Intensive Support Team Leicestershire (MISTLE) has been launched and is offering intensive therapeutic support to young people in residential care to support a return to a family based placement;
 - Leicestershire Partnership Trust staff are now addressing Maternal Obesity as part of their Making Every Contact Count (MECC) conversations and a maternal obesity module is being developed for LPTs online MECC training.

Background papers

<https://www.leicestershire.gov.uk/education-and-children/social-care-and-supporting-families/leicestershire-children-and-families-partnership>

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Appendix A – Children and Families Partnership Plan Progress Update

Appendix B – Leicestershire Children and Families Partnership plan on a page

Relevant Impact Assessments

Equality and Human Rights Implications

10. The Partnership has an interest in ensuring that there are effective arrangements in place so that the services provided meet the identified needs of local people. An EHIRA has been carried out in relation to the impacts of the Plan.

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