

Report for:	Health and Wellbeing Board, 9 July	ltem Number:	
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Title:	Children and Young People's Plan 2013-2016	

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# 1. Describe the issue under consideration

- 1.1. Haringey Children's Trust is committed to ensuring that all children and young people in Haringey have the best start in life. Our vision is that *'Haringey is known to be a place where children and young people are known to thrive and achieve'.*
- 1.2. Children's Trust partners are undertaking a range of work programmes to deliver this vision. Many organisations work with children and young people locally and no single organisation can deliver everything, nor is it right for them to do so. With increasingly limited resources it is important that our work has a clear, evidence based focus, which is understood by all organisations working across the borough.
- 1.3. In February 2013, it was agreed that a new Children and Young People's Plan should be developed to replace Haringey's current <u>Children and Young People's Plan</u> 2009-2020 (CYPP). The Plan is Haringey's overarching plan for all services for residents aged 0-19, young people aged 20 and over leaving care, and young people up to the age of 25 with learning difficulties or disabilities. While the current CYPP still provides a sound overall strategic direction, priorities regarding children and young people have moved on, both nationally and locally. There has been a proliferation of legislation and initiatives over the past two years affecting children, young people and their families. There have also been a number of Haringey initiatives designed to provide support and focus resources where children, young people and families need it most.
- 1.4. The Children's Trust works closely with other statutory partnership boards the Health and Wellbeing Board and the Community Safety Partnership to ensure that partners take a shared approach to their work with for children and young people.
- 1.5. This report:
  - provides the Health and Wellbeing Board with a summary of the draft Children and Young People's Plan 2013-2016 for discussion (Appendix A)
  - informs the Health and Wellbeing Board of the consultation and sign off arrangements for the plan
  - proposes a public 'promise' or offer to children, young people and families



# 2. Recommendations

- 2.1 It is recommended that members of the Health and Wellbeing Board:
  - provides comments on the summary of the draft Plan
  - provides details of any current or planned work in their own organisations which should be reflected in the draft Plan or its delivery plan
  - considers the partnership nature of many of the plan's draft priorities, and how to minimise any risks and maximise the opportunities that may arise from this

# 3. Background information

3.1 Work in Haringey to provide support to children, young people and families who most need it has continued apace. A range of approaches and work programmes have been developed in Haringey which give greater focus to specific priorities. To reflect this raft of changes, the CYPP is being reviewed and refreshed this year to ensure that we concentrate on issues where there is the greatest need.

## 3.2 **Partnership working**

In Haringey we know that working well in partnership is the best way to provide an effective service to children and young people and their families. There remains a requirement for some partners to cooperate to improve outcomes for children and young people. Although the Haringey Children's Trust ended in April 2012, experience since then has indicated that some form of formal partnership is valuable in leading and promoting such cooperation. **Haringey Children's Trust** has been reinstated to lead this and is valuable in leading and promoting cooperation.

- 5.3 There are strong links between the work of the Health and Wellbeing Board and the Children's Trust. Outcome 1 of the Health and Wellbeing Strategy 'Every child has a healthy start in life' is also the first outcome of the draft Children and Young People's Plan, and the priorities remain the same:
  - Reduce infant mortality
  - Reduce teenage pregnancy
  - Reduce childhood obesity
  - Promote the emotional wellbeing of children and young people

The Health and Wellbeing Board is responsible for steering and monitoring the delivery of the work under this outcome.

- 3.3 The new plan, like the previous one, is a partnership document, and sets out the work of the Children's Trust. It will ensure that the Children's Trust's work:
  - Is ambitious for all Haringey's children and young people, with a clear statement of our direction
  - Is influenced by our children and young people and their families
  - Is evidence-based: Haringey's JSNA provides a strong evidence base for much of our work, and current programmes such as Families First and Haringey 54,000 are based on evidence of need. We need to ensure that this approach is used across all our work.
  - Has a clear focus with stated outcomes: all public sector organisations are suffering from reduced budgets and a new plan will need to focus on achieving where improvement is most needed and targeting services at those who need them most



Has buy-in from senior figures across partner organisations

## 3.4 **Development of the new Plan**

#### Phase 1: partner discussion and development of draft plan

The draft plan has been developed taking into account intelligence and data on children, young people and families in Haringey; results of recent consultations; current work programmes; and partner priorities.

Partner discussion has taken place at the Children's Trust Commissioning Group at a workshop on 19<sup>th</sup> March and with the Children's Trust Partnership on 23<sup>rd</sup> May. Representatives from the Health and Wellbeing Board attended both of these meetings.

Discussion between Children's Trust partners continues at the time of writing this report. This is to ensure that key priorities are fully reflected, and that the high level actions included in the plan demonstrate the work of the whole Children's Trust. It is important that the plan is seen as a partnership document by all Children's Trust members and by the public.

#### Phase 2: public consultation

It is proposed to undertake a 'light touch' consultation on the plan itself.

#### Rationale

The rationale for keeping the consultation 'light touch' is that there has recently been a great deal of consultation with children, young people and their families (including the <u>Health and Wellbeing Strategy</u>, the <u>Child Poverty Strategy</u>, etc.) These recent consultations have covered the issues that are addressed in the CYPP. Officers are conscious not to repeatedly ask Haringey residents for their opinions on the same subjects.

When all partners' comments have been received, the draft plan will be published on the Council's website with an open invitation for comments for a period of four weeks; it will be circulated to partner organisations through the Children's Trust, the Health and Wellbeing Board and the Community Safety Partnership.

#### Phase 3: sign off

It is proposed that the draft plan is signed off by the Children's Trust in September.

## Phase 4: Public information

It is proposed that public information regarding the priorities and key actions in the new plan should be published during autumn 2013. This is likely to take the form of a 'charter' or 'promise' to Haringey children, young people and their families, providing details of the principles and priorities set out in the plan. The publication of a 'charter' or 'promise' will allow the Children's Trust to demonstrate to Haringey residents their commitment to high quality services and that the issues they have raised in recent consultations are being addressed.

## 3.5 Current draft plan

The draft plan summary is attached at Appendix A. It focuses on the following five outcomes:

1. Every child has a healthy start in life (this provides a direct link to the Health and Wellbeing Strategy)



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- 2. Thriving families
- 3. Raised educational attainment
- 4. Children and young people are safer from the risk of harm
- 5. Quality services

## The outcomes will be delivered through existing strategies and work programmes,

such as the Health and Wellbeing Strategy, the Child Poverty Strategy, the Community Safety Strategy and the Haringey 54K programme, among others. Details will be provided in the full version of the plan.

## 3.6 **Policy implications**

An updated plan for children and young people is required. It will be important to regularly review the plan as national policy regarding children and young people develops. The plan's outcomes will be delivered through existing key documents and programmes – for example, the Health and Well-being Strategy, Haringey 54,000 programme, Haringey Families First, the Child Poverty Strategy, and Jobs for Haringey. It will be important to ensure that these key documents and programmes are closely monitored to determine where there are links between different areas of work and to ensure that these are recognised and maximised.

## 4. Use of appendices

Appendix A: Draft Children and Young People's Plan summary



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