



**Health and Wellbeing Board
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CHILDREN'S TRUST REPORT TO THE HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD

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1. Summary

The Children's Trust report provides regular assurance to the Health and Wellbeing Board on the work of the Trust and highlights areas for closer consideration by the H&WBB.

2. Recommendations

The H&WBB is recommended to:

- a) Note the information and actions in the report
- b) consider endorsing and promoting partner agencies to provide and / or promote opportunities for those young people identified as NEET, including those children looked after by the Local Authority.
- c) consider Health Inequalities for Looked After Children and Care Leavers as an item for the agenda of the H&WBB

REPORT

3. Risk Assessment and Opportunities Appraisal

The Children's Trust through its associated health and wellbeing outcomes support the reduction of inequalities across Shropshire

4. Financial Implications

No financial decisions are explicitly required with this report, there may be associated resource implications to be considered for some actions.

5. Background

The Children's Trust have met twice since the last report to the Health and Wellbeing Board and the matters considered at the meetings included below:

a) Special Education Needs & Disability (SEND) Reform

The Children's Trust report to the H&WBB in November 2014 provided a summary on the SEND Reform and the Local Offer. One of the main changes the report advised is the replacement of educational statements and learning disability assessments with Education, Health and Care Plans (EHCP). The Children's Trust recognised, the significant challenge being

faced by the Local Authority as it looks to convert the 2000 Statements of SEN (which represents 4.1% of the school population) into EHCP. To update the H&WBB the process of conversion began in November 2014 and to date:

- 192 transfer review meetings have been held in schools.
- 140 of those have now been considered
- 94 will be converted to an Education Health and Care Plan (EHCP).
- 63 Year 11 Statements will cease at the end of the academic year as the young person's SEN can be met at college without the need for a EHCP.
- 30 Plans have been finalised so far and of those 22 have been completed within the 14 week timescale. (73%). The 8 cases that did not meet timescales were where the team could not finalise as advice/approval was awaited from other agencies.

The Children's Trust will continue to monitor progress across the school population and in addition has also sought further information on progress with regard to those young people with SEND in custody. A sub group is in place to progress implementation plans, however the release of national legislation is awaited and there may be implications that will have to be taken into consideration. The Disabled Children & Young People 0-25 Strategic Board raised concerns that the Designated Medical Officer joint post between Shropshire and Telford & Wrekin CCG was not yet in place. This concern will be raised in a report to the Children's Trust.

b) Child & Adolescent Mental Health Service (CAMHS)

In considering the CAMH Service the Children's Trust has been reassured to see that governance and reporting mechanisms have been strengthened and that the Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) Commissioners meet monthly with Shropshire Community Health Trust (Shropcom) to monitor delivery and to track areas that have been highlighted for improvement. However, the Children's Trust stressed that further work is required on the 'step up and step down' of services. The Trust has requested feedback on the work currently being undertaken re resource allocation at Tier 3 CAMHS and further information on the operational delivery of Tier 2 based with Compass.

The Children's Trust recognise that further work is needed to effectively plan strategic activity across the CAMHS tiers and were reassured to see that a multi agency 'Children and Young People Emotional Health and Wellbeing Strategic Group' was being set up to look at how this might best be done. The CCG and Shropshire Council are providing a joint update on mental health to each meeting of the Children's Trust.

c) Perinatal Mental Health

The Children's Trust have been advised that NHS England are undertaking a review and gap analysis of perinatal and post partum mental health services in the Shropshire area. As the landscape around the provision of services in this area changes to see the Local Authority taking on the commissioning role around Health Visitors and the Family Nurse Partnership the Children's Trust will maintain interest in developments.

d) Not in Education Employment or Training (NEETS)

The numbers of NEET in Shropshire may be relatively small in comparison to statistical neighbours, however the Children's Trust recognise that it includes some of the County's most vulnerable young people. The vulnerability of some young people is increased by the fact they are placed in Shropshire by other Local Authorities and this is something that the Children's Trust would highlight to the Health and Wellbeing Board when they look more closely at the number of young people placed in the County and the implications that has on the provision of services.

The Children's Trust has asked partner agencies to look at their own commissioning practices and to identify areas where they might offer apprenticeships or work placements as part of their corporate responsibilities. The Children's Trust would ask the Health and Wellbeing Board to consider endorsing and promoting this practice.

Action - Health and Wellbeing Board consider endorsing and promoting partner agencies to provide and / or promote opportunities for those young people identified as NEET, including those children looked after by the Local Authority.

e) Corporate Strategy for Looked After Children

The strategy has been reviewed and can be viewed at <http://staff.shropshire.gov.uk/media/342727/Shropshire-Corporate-Parenting-2014-np.pdf>

Being a good Corporate Parent means supporting the needs of looked after children whilst listening to their views and wishes and supporting them to make the most of their lives. When a child comes into the care of the Council the role of the Corporate Parent means that child is the collective responsibility of the Council, elected members, employees and partner agencies. The Children's Trust would ask those sat around the table for the meeting of this Health and Wellbeing Board to consider:

- How well understood is Corporate Parenting in your organisation?
- Are the requirements of Corporate parenting considered when developing new ways of working and commissioning?
- What contribution can your organisations offer to help provide opportunities to our looked after children and care leavers?
- Are health inequalities evident in Shropshire for those children and young people who are looked after or are care leavers?

Action – Request to the Health and Wellbeing Board from the Children's Trust to consider Health Inequalities for Looked After Children and Care Leavers.

f) Under 18 conception data

The Children's Trust were reassured to see that the number of under-18 conceptions in Shropshire has fallen within the past year. Annual statistics released by the Office of National Statistics (ONS) indicate that there are 19.1 births per 1000 females aged 15-17 in Shropshire compared to a figure of 24.3 for England and Wales. This represents a reduction of 43.8% from the baseline figure set in 1998 compared gives Shropshire the lowest conception rate within the West Midlands region as well as evidencing that local approaches to reduce teenage pregnancy rates are having an impact.

The number of under 16 conceptions in Shropshire has also decreased to 3.7 per 1000 between 2011 and 2013 compared with 4.5 per 1000 between 2010-12. This is 60 conceptions between 2011-12 of which 63.3% led to an abortion. The under 16 conception rate for England and Wales is 5.5 per 1000 in 2011-13.

g) Area Forums

Plans are underway to arrange the Area Forums focussed on community resilience and how Early Help and the Troubled Families Programme work in local communities as well as raising awareness around child sexual exploitation. The forums will pose the questions:

- How resilient is your community?
- How well do you know it?

The dates for the spring Forums are the mornings of 27th & 28th April and 1st May 2015.

h) Triangulation meeting

The chairmen of the Health & Wellbeing Board, the Children's Trust and the Shropshire Safeguarding Children Board met to look at how we can work together to ensure the priorities of each Board improve the lives of vulnerable children and families. Through discussion it was agreed by those present that it would be helpful if the Chairmen of the Shropshire Adult Safeguarding Board and the Safer Stronger Communities Partnership were invited to join the group

i) Looking ahead

In order to promote transparency the Children’s Trust has produced a work programme that outlines reports scheduled for future meetings. This provides an opportunity for the Health and Wellbeing Board to be informed of future agenda items for the Children’s Trust.

6. Additional Information

Children’s Trust Work Programme attached as Appendix A

7. Conclusions

The Children’s Trust continues to raise challenges across partner agencies.

List of Background Papers (This MUST be completed for all reports, but does not include items containing exempt or confidential information)
Cabinet Member (Portfolio Holder) Cllr Karen Calder – Health Cllr Ann Hartley – Children’s
Local Member
Appendices Appendix A Children’s Trust Work Programme

Meetings	Wed 18 March 2015 Wenlock Room 2:00pm – 4:00pm	Wed 1 July 2015 Council Chamber 2:00pm – 4:00pm	Wed 7 October 2015 Council Chamber 2:00pm – 4:00pm	Wed 13 January 2016 Wenlock Room 2:00pm – 4:00pm
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	Agenda Item	Purpose of report	Owner
Wednesday 18 March 2015 Joint Strategic Needs Assessment (JSNA) will be included in discussion of each agenda item	Regular feedback item	Feeding back items from the Health & Wellbeing Board, Headteacher's Forum, Safeguarding Children Board	Chair Karen Bradshaw
	Joint regular report on Mental Health including CAMHS	Progress on work ongoing with the development of a Children & Young People Emotional Health and Wellbeing Strategic Group to effectively plan strategic activity across the CAMHS tiers.	Jo Robins Shropshire Council Julie Davies CCG
	Discussion paper on self harm	Action 9 b: Self-Harm Strategy	Joint report Jo Robins and Fiona Ellis
	Substance Misuse Joint Working Protocol Review	Action 4: evaluate the impact of the joint working protocol	Jayne Randall
	Children's Trust Delivery Plan 2014/15	Progress on actions and looking forward to 2015/16	ALL
	Regular feed forward item	Summarising items for taking forward to H&W, SSCB, HT Forum	Chair Karen Bradshaw
	Autism Needs Assessment – Progress Report For Information	Action 9a Conduct an Autism Needs Assessment for Shropshire that looks to understand prevalence, service need/ demand, and current provision across all sectors. Interdependencies with actions 1 and 2	Penny Bason / Lorraine Laverton
	Agenda Item	Purpose of report	Owner
Wed 1 July 2015	Regular feedback item	Feeding back items from the Health & Wellbeing Board and Safeguarding Children Board	Chair Karen Bradshaw
	Joint regular report on Mental Health including CAMHS	Progress on work ongoing with the development of a Children & Young People Emotional Health and Wellbeing Strategic Group to effectively plan strategic activity across the CAMHS tiers.	Julie Davies

Wed 1 July 2015	Domestic Abuse Problem Profile	SSCB Action A048 West Mercia Police to link with Children's Trust and Public Health re Domestic Abuse Problem Profile	TBC
	Parenting Support Strategy	Action 10: Roll out of Solihull Programme	Karen Ladd
	Autism Needs Assessment – Final Report	Action 9a Conduct an Autism Needs Assessment for Shropshire that looks to understand prevalence, service need/ demand, and current provision across all sectors. Interdependencies with actions 1 and 2	Emma Sandbach Fiona Ellis & Marion Versluijs
	Joint Strategic Needs Assessment	Regular feedback and input from the Children's Trust into the JSNA process JSNA will be considered within discussion of each agenda item	Emma Sandbach
	Regular feed forward item	Summarising items for taking forward to H&W and SSCB HT Forum	Chair Karen Bradshaw
	Agenda Item	Purpose of report	Owner
Wed 7 Oct 2015	Regular feedback item	Feeding back items from the Health & Wellbeing Board and Safeguarding Children Board	Chair Karen Bradshaw
	Joint regular report on Mental Health including CAMHS	Progress on work ongoing with the development of a Children & Young People Emotional Health and Wellbeing Strategic Group to effectively plan strategic activity across the CAMHS tiers.	Fiona Ellis
	Family Nurse Partnership – the first operational year	Actions 1 and 12	Ann-Marie Speke, Lindsay MacHardy & Sarah Rock
	Joint Strategic Needs Assessment	Regular feedback and input from the Children's Trust into the JSNA process JSNA will be considered within discussion of each agenda item	Emma Sandbach
	Regular feed forward item	Summarising items for taking forward to H&W and SSCB HT Forum	Chair Karen Bradshaw

CHILDREN'S TRUST AREA FORUMS - 2015

DATES	TIME & VENUE	TOPIC	OWNER
Monday 27th April 2015	09:30 – 12:30 Trinity Centre Meole Brace	Early Help Troubled Families Community Resilience	Tina Russell Barbara Stafford-Cairns Sarah Wilkins
Tuesday 28th April 2015 -	09:30 – 12:30 Ellesmere Town Hall	Early Help Troubled Families Community Resilience	Tina Russell Barbara Stafford-Cairns Sarah Wilkins
Friday 1st May 2015	09:30 – 12:30 Craven Arms Community Centre	Early Help Troubled Families Community Resilience	Tina Russell Barbara Stafford-Cairns Sarah Wilkins
Monday 2nd November 2015	09:30 – 12:30 Council Chambers Shire Hall	Early Years	TBC
		NEETS	TBC
		Information & Data Sharing Protocols	TBC
Tuesday 3rd November 2015	09:30 – 12:30 Ellesmere Town Hall	Early Years	TBC
		NEETS	TBC
		Information & Data Sharing Protocols	TBC
Thursday 5th November 2015	09:30 – 12:30 Craven Arms Community Centre	Early Years	TBC
		NEETS	TBC
		Information & Data Sharing Protocols	TBC

NB The work programme is a guide for future reports. However, it is a live document and therefore will change to reflect the requirements of the Children's Trust