

HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD			
Report Title	Draft Children and Young People Plan 2015-2018		
Contributors	Executive director for Children and Young People	Information Item No.	7B
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Strategic Context	<p>The Children and Young People Plan sets the strategic direction for the Children's partnership across the borough from 2015-18. This is the fifth Children and Young People's Plan. It will be presented to Full Council for approval on 25th November 2015.</p> <p>The Health and Wellbeing board is provided as an information item.</p>		
Pathway	<p>Children and Young People Partnership Board and Joint Commissioning Group. Also:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mayor and Cabinet (11th November) • Full Council (25th November) 		

1. Purpose

- 1.1 This report provides members of the Health and Wellbeing Board with an overview of the draft Children and Young People Plan 2015-18. This plan is appended to this report.

2. Recommendation/s

Members of the Health and Wellbeing Board are recommended to:

- 2.1 Note the content of the Children and Young People Plan, in particular the priority areas on pgs 2-3.

3. Policy Context

- 3.1 The Children and Young People's Plan (CYPP) sets out the high-level aims of agencies working for children and young people in Lewisham. This is the fifth plan which has been developed by the Children's Partnership. Whilst the local authority has responsibility for the Children and Young People's Plan (CYPP), it has been developed with the full involvement of all partners on the Children and Young People's Strategic Partnership Board.

3.2 Although the production of the plan is no longer a statutory requirement, it continues to provide a useful vehicle to reconfirm our strategic ambitions and how we will work together to ensure we achieve our vision to improve the lives and life chances of children and young people in Lewisham.

4. Background

4.1 The CYPP sets out the vision, values and culture which will underpin our approach to working with children and young people across the partnership. The document also critically sets out our priority outcome areas, our action plans and joint commissioning intentions linked to these and how we will go about monitoring the impact of our work.

4.2 For 2015-18 we have moved away somewhat from the Every Child Matters outcomes. The new priority outcomes, whilst similar in many ways, have enabled us to focus more closely on the particular local circumstances and the priorities articulated by the partnership.

4.3 In particular, the 2015-18 plan has an increased focus on mental health and emotional resilience in young people which, as an area of increasing focus for local agencies, has enormous potential to improve the health and life chances of children across all our priority areas.

4.4 Our ambition for this plan is that it is accessible to everyone and has a broad reach across the borough. To facilitate this, we are proposing that the plan is presented and managed online. In doing so, we will ensure that the plan is simple and focused in content, interactive in design and to make our monitoring and oversight more transparent.

4.5 The 2015-18 plan identifies the following key priorities:

- Building child and family resilience:
 - **BR1:** Prevent poor outcomes and escalation of need, including for children in families at risk of crisis through:
 - BR1a: Optimising the outcomes of pregnancy and the first 1000 days, including reducing toxic stress for children
 - BR1b: Improved parenting and preventing escalation of need
 - BR1c: Promoting healthy relationships and secure attachment
 - **BR2:** Mitigate the negative impact of insecure or unsuitable housing for children, young people and families
 - **BR3:** Ensure all our young people are prepared for adulthood, particularly our more vulnerable young people

- Be healthy and active:
 - **HA1:** Improve our rate of immunisations
 - **HA2:** Ensure our children and young people are a healthy weight
 - **HA3:** Improve mental and emotional wellbeing
 - **HA4:** Improve sexual health
 - **HA5:** Reduce the impact of alcohol, smoking and substance misuse
 - **HA6:** Ensure our looked after children are healthy
 - **HA7:** Encourage access to and usage of culture, sport, leisure and play activities

- Raise achievement and attainment:
 - **AA1:** Ensure there are sufficient school places for every Lewisham child
 - **AA2:** Ensure all our children are ready to fully participate in school and at all transition stages
 - **AA3:** Improve and maintain attendance and engagement in school at all levels
 - **AA4:** Raise achievement and progress for all our children and close the gaps between under-achieving groups and their peers at all Key Stages, particularly at KS4 and post 16
 - **AA5:** Ensure all our young people are well prepared to access the best education and employment opportunities for them
 - **AA6:** Raise participation in education and training, reducing the number of young people who are NEET at 16-24

- Stay safe:
 - **SS1:** Identify and protect children and young people at risk of harm and ensure they feel safe, especially from:
 - **SS2:** Provide secure and consistent support for LAC
 - **SS3:** Reduce anti-social behaviour and youth offending.

7. Financial implications

- 7.1 There are no financial implications to consider as part of this report. The actions proposed in the plan would be funded from the planned revenue budget for the Children and Young People's Directorate.

8. Legal implications

- 8.1 There is no longer a legal requirement for a local authority to prepare a Children and Young People's Plan such a requirement having been 22.6.12 6 removed by the Children's Trust Board (Children and Young People's Plan) (England) (Revocation) Regulations 2010 which took effect on the 31st October 2010.

8.2 Members of the Board are reminded that under Section 195 Health and Social Care Act 2012, health and wellbeing boards are under a duty to encourage integrated working between the persons who arrange for health and social care services in the area.

9. Crime and Disorder Implications

9.1 There are no specific crime and disorder implications arising from this report.

10. Equalities Implications

10.1 An equalities impact assessment is in the process of being completed and will accompany the final version of the plan at Mayor and Cabinet on 11th November.

11. Environmental Implications

11.1 There are no specific crime and disorder implications arising from this report.

Background Documents

Appendix 1: Draft Children and Young People Plan 2015-18.

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