

Health and Wellbeing Board			
Title	Comments of the Children and Young People Select Committee on Early Intervention and Targeted Support		
Contributors	Children and Young People Select Committee	Item No.	9
Class	Part 1	Date	25 March 2014

1. Summary

- 1.1 This report informs the Health and Wellbeing Board of the comments and views of the Children and Young People Select Committee, arising from discussions held on the officer report entitled Early Interventions and Targeted Support, considered at its meeting on 29 January 2014.
- 1.2 The Children and Young People Select Committee's remit covers all services provided to young people aged under 19, such as education and social services, and includes the provision of health related services for under 19s.

2. Recommendation

- 2.1 The Health and Wellbeing Board is recommended to note the views of the Children and Young People Select Committee as set out in section three.

3. Children and Young People Select Committee views

- 3.1 On 28 January 2014 the Children and Young People Select Committee visited Donderry Children's Centre in order to find out more about the work that Children's Centres carry out around early intervention. On 29 January 2014 the Committee then considered a report entitled Early Intervention and Targeted Support which provided information about changes in early intervention funding, the work of the Early Intervention and Access Service, the development of Payment by Results and the balance between targeted and non-targeted provision.
- 3.2 During the meeting the Committee noted the important role that Children's Centres play in early intervention and in providing links to public services operating throughout the borough. The Committee felt that there is considerable good work already between health agencies and the Children's Centres. They raised the possibility though for increased use of Children's Centres to deliver services associated with health.
- 3.3 The Committee particularly recommended that the Health and Wellbeing Board consider whether there is scope to increase the number of outreach immunisation programmes operating in the borough, specifically within Children's Centres and to increase availability of immunisation for both MMR and MMR 2 in Children's Centres.

4. Financial Implications

4.1 There are no financial implications arising out of this report per se; but there may financial implications arising from carrying out the action proposed by the Committee.

5. Legal Implications

5.1 The terms of reference for the Children and Young People Select Committee as set out in the Constitution (at Article 6.6) provides the Committee with responsibility for the following:

- To fulfil all Overview and Scrutiny functions as they relate to the social care of children and young people up to the age of 19 years including but not limited to the following activities:-
 - (i) the social services functions of the Council under the Local Authority Social Services Act 1970, and all functions of the Council under the National Assistance Act 1948, the Mental Health Act 1983, Children Act 1989, the NHS and Community Care Act 1990, and all other relevant legislation in force from time to time
- Other matters relating to children and young people
- To receive and consider referrals from the Healthwatch in so far as they relate solely to people under 19 years of age. Otherwise such referrals will be made to the Healthier Communities Select Committee.

Background papers

Early Intervention and Targeted Support - Meeting of the Children and Young People Select Committee, 29 January 2014 (please see link below):

<http://councilmeetings.lewisham.gov.uk/mgAi.aspx?ID=7710>

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