



Health and Wellbeing Board

6 November 2013

Report Title	Children's Trust Board Progress Report	
Cabinet Member with Lead Responsibility	Councillor Sandra Samuels Health and Wellbeing	
Wards Affected	All	
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Recommendations for noting:

The Health and Wellbeing Board is asked to note:

1. Recent activity at the Children's Trust Board.

1.0 Purpose

- 1.1 To keep members of the Health & Wellbeing Board informed of the work of the Children's Trust Board (CTB).

2.0 Background

- 2.1 The Children's Trust Board is a partnership of agencies from all sectors working together to ensure the alignment of strategic priorities for children and young people in the city. It meets on a bi-monthly basis.

3.0 Progress, options, discussion, etc.

- 3.1 The Children's Trust Board most recently met on 26th September and at this meeting received an update on the Children's Services Performance profile. The report was noted and it was agreed that two of the areas which are currently rated as red should provide reports to a future meeting.
- 3.2 It was therefore agreed that the Improvement Plans for City of Wolverhampton College and Local Authority Care Homes should be received at a future meeting.
- 3.3 The Board agreed that the Children's Services Profile reports be considered in September and June going forward.
- 3.4 An update was received on the Families in Focus programme being developed in the city. It was agreed that further discussion take place with Learning Communities, to ensure wide engagement of schools with the Troubled Families agenda.
- 3.5 The CTB requested that progress reports which include the outcomes for families engaged in the programme to date come to the Board and that case studies be received which include feedback from families.
- 3.6 A report was presented to inform the Board of the work of the New Arrivals Group. Currently, the group is reviewing its role and objectives and governance arrangements are being considered. The CTB felt that the Community Cohesion Forum, may be the best place for this group to report to.
- 3.7 It was reported under any other business, that a review of the function, terms of reference and membership of the Children's Trust is to take place. Comments to be submitted to Assistant Director for Safeguarding, Business Support & Children's Early Help Services.

4.0 Financial implications

- 4.1 There are no direct financial implications to this report.

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5.0 Legal implications

5.1 There are no direct legal implications to this report.

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6.0 Equalities implications

6.1 There are no direct equal opportunity implications to this report, as it is an update on progress at the Children's Trust Board, rather than with specific programmes of work in relation to delivery of Children's Services.

7.0 Environmental implications

7.1 There are no direct environmental implications to this report

8.0 Human resources implications

8.1 There are no direct Human resources implications to this report.

9.0 Schedule of background papers

9.1 None attached.