

Health and Wellbeing Board

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Report title	Children's Trust Board Progress Report	
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Recommendation(s) for action or decision:

The Health and Wellbeing Board is recommended to:

1. Support the 2016/17 work programme of the Children's Trust Board
2. Approve the necessary reporting and governance arrangements that are in place to oversee progress of the Children, Young People and Families Plan (2015-25)

1.0 Purpose

- 1.1 To provide the Board with an update on progress with the Children, Young People and Families Plan (2015-25).

2.0 Background

- 2.1 The Children's Trust Board has overall governance responsibility of the Children, Young People and Families (CYPF) plan 2015-2025. This includes developing and delivering outcomes of the plan and ensuring collective resources of the partners are being effectively and efficiently utilised. The plan wants to achieve an improvement in how healthy and happy children, young people and families living in Wolverhampton are. There are four clear priority areas, these are:

- Child Poverty
- Education, Training and Employment
- Family Strength
- Health

- 2.2 The work of the Children Trust Board is aligned to the priorities of the Health and Well-being Board; including specifically the wider determinants of health, alcohol and drugs and mental health.
- 2.3 A performance framework has been developed in order to monitor the success of the priorities and related outcomes outlined in the Children, Young People and Families plan and were agreed in principle by the Children's Trust Board at a special meeting in May 2015. The performance framework document contains a range of indicators across the four priorities, including, where available, historical data in order to monitor trends and improvements, comparator data, trajectory of performance and where appropriate, RAG ratings.
- 2.4 As the Board become aware of new developments and emerging issues, the performance framework is adjusted to reflect additional data becoming available and ensuring we use 'meaningful data.'
- 2.5 With the plan in place, along with other initiatives such as; phase two of Troubled Families, the SEND reforms, organisational changes such as the City of Wolverhampton Children Services transformation and a backdrop of working in times of austerity, a review of the Children's Trust Board structures has been undertaken. This identified a significant overlap of membership, terms of reference and work priorities. To ensure efficiency and effectiveness of resources the Children's Trust Board reduced the number of boards and in particular where boards have significant cross membership and purpose to amalgamate. A structure chart is available in Appendix 1. In addition to this, the Board agreed to disband the Children Trust Executive Group which had the role of performance. This function now sits with the Children Trust Board.

3.0 Progress

3.1 The table below provides a snapshot on progress over the last 12 months

PRIORITY ONE: Reduce the harm caused by child poverty	
Areas of Strength	Areas for Development
The proportion of children who live in the areas that are designated as the most deprived as per the IDACI scores that attend good or outstanding schools and the proportion of schools with the highest proportion of those children that are rated good or outstanding is increasing and is significantly better than the West Midlands average.	Attainment for those children who are not eligible for Free School Meals at EYFS is Improving This is below that of comparators.
Attainment for children who are classed as disadvantaged, non-disadvantaged, eligible for Free School Meals and not eligible for Free School Meals is improving across EYFS and KS2 is generally improving and is in line with or better than that of statistical neighbours. The attainment gaps between these groups is also better than comparators.	Attainment for children eligible for Free School Meals at KS4 has fallen and is below that of comparators and the gap between those children and the ones who are not eligible for Free School Meals has increased
The number of families and young people who are homeless remains steady.	The number of families who are being placed in supported accommodation is falling due to those being referred having higher needs and remaining in service longer, affecting the throughput.

PRIORITY TWO: Increase achievement and involvement in education, training and employment Young children are well prepared when they start school	
Areas of Strength	Areas for Development
The number of children taking up Terrific for Two's placements is steady. 100% of required places have now been identified.	Children's centre engagement with the most deprived children is improving (61.2%) but remains below the level that Ofsted have determined is 'Good' (65%). This is due to a greater focus on targeted work.
GCSE performance has improved significantly this year and is better than that of statistical neighbours.	There is an improvement in English at KS4 This is still below that of comparators
The average points score of candidates undertaken A-level or equivalent vocational training is better than statistical neighbours, the West Midlands and England averages and Wolverhampton are ranked 14th.	The percentage of young people achieving AAB or better at A-level is below that of comparators.

PRIORITY TWO: Increase achievement and involvement in education, training and employment Young children are well prepared when they start school

Areas of Strength	Areas for Development
For children and young people who are excluded from school 91% were found alternative provision by the 6th working day with the average number of days taken to find alternative provision being just four.	
The number of inadequate schools has decreased by one and the number of outstanding schools has increased by one. The overall percentage of schools rated good or outstanding continues to increase.	
The proportion of young people in Education, Employment or Training, overall and within specific vulnerable groups is generally good or improving.	

PRIORITY THREE: Make Families Stronger

Areas of Strength	Areas for Development
<p>The number of Early Help Assessments that are being completed is increasing, demonstrating that families are receiving help sooner which in turn will prevent an escalation to statutory services.</p> <p>The City of Wolverhampton Children's Service transformation. This includes services operating on a universal level, accessible to all families; strengthening families offer, focussing on families with additional need; targets early intervention prevention service who will work with families needing additional intensive support and specialist intensive support services working with families who are at the highest risk of family breakdown.</p>	<p>The proportion of children who were classed as Children in Need over the last 12 months continues to increase, however this is largely due to a sharp rise in numbers between December 2014 and March 2015. The recent reductions in numbers seen throughout the rest of the year means that this indicator should begin to improve significantly from March onwards.</p>
<p>Phase 1 – Troubled Families</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 810 Families turned around - Crime, ASB, Absence from school reduced for 683 families. Attendance saving of over £100,000 - 182 adults secured employment for more than six months 	<p>The numbers of Looked After Children has significantly reduced from 780 (March 31st 2015) to 659 (March 31st 2016)</p> <p>The number is higher than that of comparators.</p>

PRIORITY THREE: Make Families Stronger

Areas of Strength	Areas for Development
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 31 adults made progress to work <p>Phase 2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The number of families identified and engaged on the programme at the end of March 2016 is 517. - Submitted first PBR claim for 12 families 	
<p>The rates and numbers of children subject of a child protection plan or Looked After continues to fall and are the lowest that they have been for several years and are demonstrating the effectiveness of the transformation programme.</p>	<p>The number of children who are the subject of a CP Plan for a second or subsequent time is falling, but as a percentage remains higher than comparators - however, this is affected by the reducing CP numbers which can inflate the percentage.</p>

PRIORITY FOUR: Improve the health of children, young people and families

Areas of Strength	Areas of Potential Weakness or Concern
<p>The proportion of children who are overweight is falling particularly in reception year, however, rates remain higher than comparators.</p>	<p>Decrease in women who smoke during pregnancy. This can be attributed by the effect of the implementation of CO monitoring at every antenatal visit and Healthy Lifestyle Service support for smoking cessation in pregnancy.</p> <p>The number is higher than that of comparators.</p>
<p>The percentage of parents and children who are successfully completing substance misuse treatment programmes is increasing and where comparator information is available Wolverhampton is performing better than comparators.</p>	<p>The number of representations to substance misuse treatment programmes is increasing for both children and adults.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Increase in the number of families supported by the Information Advice and Support Service - SEND strategy has been co-produced, consulted on and ratified. - The Local Offer has been published on Wolverhampton Information Network (WIN) - Partnership working is very strong across education health and care in the delivery of the SEND reforms 	

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Areas of Strength

Areas of Potential Weakness or Concern

*** The mental health indicators within this priority are currently under review***

- 3.2 As the framework becomes more complete and developed, the focus will continue on strengthening commentary and analysis in order to provide further context to the data. This will enable a better assessment of strengths and weaknesses which will assist the Board in identifying areas of good practice and improvements and making recommendations of appropriate actions in order to ensure the successful delivery of the Children, Young People and Families plan.
- 3.3 On the 8 March 2016 the Board held its annual stakeholders event. When the Children's Trust Board launched the Children Young People & Families Plan, a commitment was made to ensure stakeholders are kept informed on progress. Over 80 delegates attended the event to hear about the progress. The event included the voice of the young people.

4 Next Steps

- 4.1 The Children's Trust Board have agreed their focus areas for the next two years. The focus areas will be spotlighted for further, in-depth analysis. These include reducing homelessness, CAMHS transformation, Families in Focus (Troubled Families programme) and post 16 education provision.

Spotlight Focus	Why	What we want to achieve
Reducing youth homelessness	In 2015/16 there was 1026 homeless ness applicants . Of these 246 where in the16-24 age group. The high prevalence of homelessness amongst certain age groups is of particular interest. People between the ages of 18-25 and 16 -54 make up the vast proportion of cases.	Implementation of review recommendations; - Improve access for 16 and 17 year old young offenders to the supported accommodation - Increase internal provision which has evidenced VFM
CAMHS Transformation	There is currently dis jointed work and there is a lack of clear CAMHS pathway. There is a need to improve the quality of experience and outcomes across CAMHS TIERS 1-4 which includes universal, primary, secondary and tertiary care in health and social	The CAMHS Transformational Partnership Board is responsible for the Re-design of the whole service system delivering emotional health, well-

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	<p>care and initiatives delivered in the range of the City's education establishments, including for engaged and not engaged and excluded children.</p>	<p>being and mental health services to children, young people and their families This includes;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 70% more children and young people accessing CAMHS by 2020. - Aligning the new service system with early help initiatives (i.e. HeadStart), and universal services (i.e. Health Visitors, and Public Health Nurses) - Reduce need for high cost, out of area interventions - Improving access to intervention - Improving transparency and accountability
<p>Families in Focus</p>	<p>Troubled Families National Government Payment by Result Programme</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2840 families to be turned around by 2020 • 483 families targeted by March 2016 <p>Achieving the target will result in financial injection for Wolverhampton in addition to the social and wellbeing improvements.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Improved outcomes for children, young people, families, partners, LA and the city - Smaller LAC population - More people in work - Children are better educated - Reduction in ASB
<p>Post 16 Education</p>	<p>Wolverhampton students continued to perform strongly in post 16 vocational subjects in 2015</p> <p>Nationally, the City is ranked 26th (2014 - 19, 2013 - 42, 2012 - 68, 2011 - 79, 2010 - 129, 2009 -145, 2008 - 145) for average point score per entry, (217.4 compared to a national average of 215.9)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A post-16 strategy which responds to the needs of all learners. - Sufficient places are available with the right offer being available in the City

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	<p>However, as at January 2016, Wolverhampton has the fifth highest youth unemployment claimant rate, at 5.9%, of all 326 English local authorities.</p>	<p>for Post 16 SEND</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Improve progression into education or employment with training - Improve access to impartial information, advice and guidance - Explore new opportunities with university to raise aspirations and engage with children and young people

5.0 Financial implications

5.1 There are no immediate financial implications arising from this report. [AS/30032016/K]

6.0 Legal implications

6.1 There are no immediate legal implications arising from this report.
[Legal Code: TS/13042016/H]

7.0 Equalities implications

7.1 Equalities is embedded within the performance function of the Plan. All accountable organisations will have an equalities strand which must be reported on as part of the performance update. A key element of the plan is reducing inequalities, nationally, regionally and locally in all 4 priority areas.

8.0 Environmental implications

8.1 There are no environmental implications.

9.0 Human resources implications

9.1 There are no human resources implications.

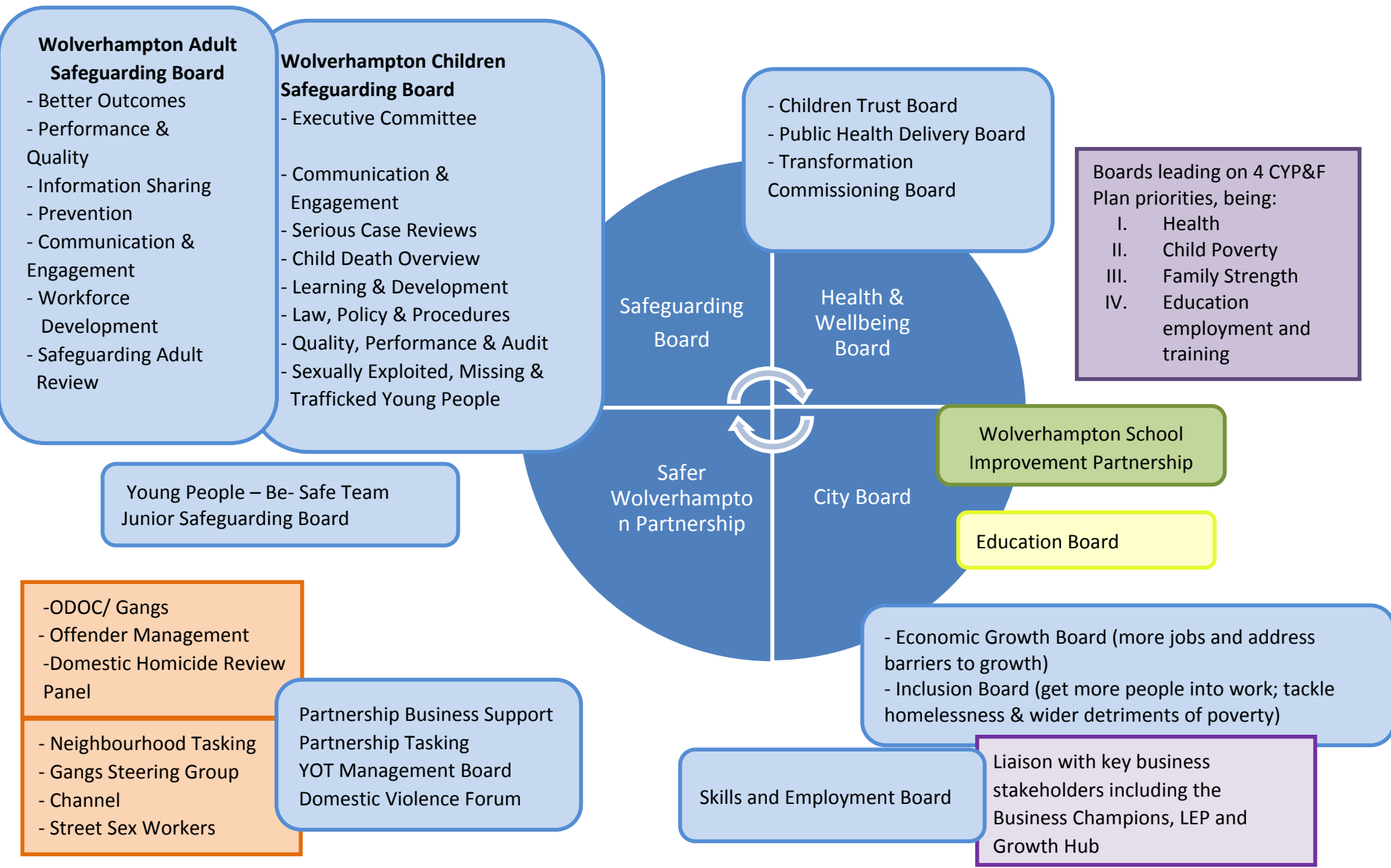
10.0 Corporate landlord implications

10.1 There are no corporate landlord implications.

11.0 Schedule of background papers

11.1 None

APPENDIX 1- Wovlerhampton City Partnerships



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STATUTORY HEALTH & WELLBEING BOARD
RESPONSIBILITIES; Joint Strategic Needs Assessment, Joint Commissioning Health & Wellbeing Strategy & Health Improvement Plan, GP Consortium accountability, Health Watch, Public Health, overview of Safeguarding, Annual Plans, Support local voice and patient choice.

Wolverhampton Children Trust Board
RESPONSIBILITIES; Developing and delivering outcomes of the Children, Young People & Families Plan 2015-25.
4 strategic priorities; Health, Child Poverty, Family Strength, Education Training & Employment.

