

**Decisions and Actions Log of the Nottinghamshire Children’s Trust Executive
Held on 19 October 2017**

Present:

Dr Kate Allen (KA) - Nottinghamshire County Council (Public Health), Tracey Lindley (TL), Nottingham West CCG, Colin Pettigrew (Chair) (CP) – Nottinghamshire County Council, John Robinson (JR) – Gedling Borough Council, Marion Clay (MC) – Nottinghamshire County Council, Chris Few (CF) – Independent Chair NSCB, Susan Laplanche (SL) – Robert Mellors Primary and Nursery School

Sean Kelly (SK) – Nottinghamshire County Council,

Apologies: Ed Seeley (ES) – Edgewood Primary School, Dr Emma Shapiro (ESh) – GP representative, Cathy Burke (CB) – NHS Bassetlaw, Derek Higton (DH) - Nottinghamshire County Council, Steve Edwards (SE) – Nottinghamshire County Council

Key:
Complete
Ongoing but in-hand
Requiring action/attention

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19.10.17	Nottinghamshire Local Maternity Transformation – Better Births		
	<p>KA explained the background to the Nottinghamshire Maternity Transformation Plan and the progress made so far as outlined in the previously circulated report. It was noted that a large part of the work so far has been consultation with staff and service users. Specific attention was drawn to the priorities laid out at paragraph six.</p> <p>The Nottinghamshire Maternity Transformation Plan is still in draft form and will be submitted to the National Maternity Board on 31 October 2017; KA informed Executive members that there was still an opportunity to raise any key issues.</p> <p>There followed a discussion about some of the issues surrounding maternal and neo-natal health including the plateauing of live birth figures, the geographical spread of live births across the county with specific reference to the population growth around the edges of Nottingham City and in the north of the county, the impact on future health and attainment of those affected by foetal alcohol syndrome and how this is addressed via one of the five work streams that focuses on maternal health and the challenging issue of domestic violence. It was confirmed that the Nottinghamshire Maternity Transformation Plan will be a</p>		

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	<p>constantly evolving document which will be updated to reflect current issues in conjunction with the Local Maternity System (LMS) and regular clinical network meetings. It is recognised that there is more work to be done.</p> <p>In noting the synergy between the LMS and the Sustainability and Transformation Plan (STP), CP commented on the local frustrations in respect of the STP, particularly in relation to children and young people, whilst acknowledging that nationally it is perceived as a good plan,</p> <p>It was agreed that KA would feed back to the Local Maternity System (LMS) on raising the prominence of maternity related issues in District Councils.</p>	KA	
19.10.17 Nottinghamshire Safeguarding Children Board (NSCB) Annual Report 2016/17			
	<p>CF explained the statutory requirement for local Safeguarding Children Boards to produce an annual report providing information on achievements, progress, challenges faced and actions planned. He drew attention to the key points as highlighted in the previously circulated covering report noting that actions arising from serious case reviews are fed into the NSCB's business plan.</p> <p>CF informed colleagues that the Children and Social Work Act 2017 removes the requirement to have a local safeguarding children board in its current format. Discussions are starting to take place regarding the future model that will be adopted but CF expressed the view that it would be foolish to not retain the elements of the existing model that are working well.</p> <p>In response to a question from KA, CF explained that there was no timeframe for bringing together the County and City Child Death Overview Panels (CDOPs). A decision was reached at the NSCB that no decision would be made about combining the County and City CDOPs until the statutory guidance has been received; this has caused some frustration with strategic partners but was the considered conclusion of the partnership.</p> <p>There was discussion about the issues of modern slavery, trafficking and unaccompanied asylum seekers and the potential implications for safeguarding children and young people in Nottinghamshire. JR, as City and County lead on modern slavery, felt it would be beneficial for him and CF to have a dialogue outside the meeting.</p> <p>It was agreed that it would be useful for KA to make comment in the LMS to the NSCB's work around safe sleeping for babies.</p>	<p>JR/CF</p> <p>KA</p>	

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	<p>The number of CDOPs in Nottinghamshire is statistically commensurate with other areas; only one serious case review (SCR) was commissioned in 2016/17. CF explained that two suicides that happened in early 2017 have been through the SCR sub-group; it was accepted that one did not require a SCR but the other did and this will be reported in the 2017/18 Annual Report of the NSCB. There is a delay in this SCR taking place whilst a suitable independent review writer is sourced; colleagues who have details of potential candidates were encouraged to contact CF outside the meeting.</p>	All/CF	
19.10.17 Health and Wellbeing Strategy Consultation			
	<p>KA outlined the context of the Nottinghamshire Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy Consultation as detailed in the previously circulated covering report and took colleagues through the attached presentation highlighting the key points. The views of the Children's Trust Executive on the elements of the consultation were sought.</p> <p>It was noted that there is no education representation on the Health and Wellbeing Board and this was something which CP and MC undertook to pursue. Future consideration will be given to the accountability of the Children's Trust and how this feeds into the Health and Wellbeing Board</p> <p>Following discussion it was agreed that CP, as chair of the Children's Trust Executive, would pull together a combined response reflecting the points made and ensure that this was returned by the end of the consultation period. The response, as submitted, is attached. Colleagues were encouraged to also submit consultation responses on behalf of their own organisations.</p>	<p>CP/MC</p> <p>All</p>	
19.10.17 Any Other Business			
	<p>TL informed colleagues that the new structure of CCGs in Nottinghamshire is out for consultation until the end of October. Sam Walters remains the interim accountable officer for Greater Nottinghamshire.</p> <p>CP explained that the Supreme Court had found against Nottinghamshire and that the local authority is responsible for the actions of its foster carers. In the test case, which relates to historic abuse, the Supreme Court has found that neither the local authority nor the social worker were negligent but this did not reduce the liability. This judgement has wide ranging implications and raises questions regarding where the liability rests if a fostering agency is used or if the foster carer/s is in a local authority other than the child/young person's 'home' authority.</p>		