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REPORT OF THE CORPORATE DIRECTOR FOR CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE'S SERVICES

Nottinghamshire Children and Young People's Plan (2009-2011): Approval by Children and Young People's Partnership Board

Purpose of report

1. The new Children and Young People's Plan (CYPP) has now been published on-line in final draft form, subject to approval by the Children and Young People's Partnership Board. This paper outlines the process leading up to publication and seeks the Board's approval of this final version of the plan.

Information and Advice

Background

2. The Children and Young People's Plan (2009-2011) was developed across the Nottinghamshire Children and Young People's Partnership, in line with statutory responsibilities from the Children Act 2004. There is a statutory requirement to publish a new CYPP within 6 weeks of the expiry of the previous plan. To meet this requirement, the new plan was made available on the Partnership web-site on 18 May 2009.

Content of the new CYPP (2009-2011)

3. The CYPP covers two years and identifies ten improvement priorities for this period. These are supported by one-year action plans, which will be reviewed and in May 2010.
4. The plan renewed as part of the annual review process for the plan is constructed in two layers. The first layer is an overview document. This includes information about how organisations within the Partnership will work together to achieve its ten improvement priorities, together with supporting contextual information about Nottinghamshire and about planning and review processes. Following the approval of this Board,

this overview document will be produced in print format. It will be distributed to managers within the Children and Young People's Partnership and made available to the public through outlets including libraries, council premises, and children's centres. It is currently available on the Children and Young People's Partnership website at www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/cypplanhome.

5. The first layer of the plan is supported by more detailed information, available on the Children and Young People's Partnership website, also at www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/cypplanhome. This includes more detailed information about action plans to achieve the improvement priorities identified in the plan and performance measures, as well as more information about related strategies and plans. This is intended to be a dynamic area, which can be updated and developed throughout the lifetime of the plan.
6. By the end of July, there will also be a 'quick read' version of the plan, available in print format (about 4 pages), and on the web-site. This will be the means of communicating the plan and our Partnership priorities to a wide audience.

Consultation on the CYP Plan 2009-11

7. The development of the CYPP was overseen by a multi-agency planning group and taken forward by a development team. Content was influenced by feedback from children, young people and families and from the children and young people's workforce, obtained through a series of consultation conferences and workshops.
8. A consultation draft of the plan was produced in January, and was sent to partner organisations for formal consultation between 29 January and 31 March 2009, as required by legislation. The draft was presented to this Board for comment at its March meeting, as well as to other partnership groups including the Nottinghamshire Safeguarding Children Board. This consultation process sought the views of partners and stakeholders at a formative stage, enabling them to influence the final version of the plan.
9. Feedback at the March meeting of this Board resulted in the following amendments to the CYPP:
 - an additional section was included outlining links with the Nottinghamshire Partnership and the LAA (Local Area Agreement), and the sections on the ten improvement priorities now make explicit reference to how they relate to LAA priorities
 - more detailed explanation of what is meant by 'positive activities' was included in the section relating to this
 - for each of the ten improvement priorities, more information was included about the target groups for action

- the partnership group leading on the *Improve educational attainment priority* was confirmed as the Children's Services Executive Group (CSEG).
10. An updated draft of the plan was produced in April 2009, taking account of consultation feedback. This Board was then asked to make final comments on the plan by correspondence. These comments were taken into account in the development of the final version of the plan. They included recommendations about wording in various sections, and minor changes to terminology used, but were generally in support of the document overall. (Due to a tight timescale, the request for comments stated that no response would be taken as approval of the final draft.)
 11. The Board is now asked to approve the Children and Young People's Plan (2009-2011). A copy of the overview version of the plan is **attached**. The detailed information supporting this overview is available on-line, at www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/cypplanhome.

RECOMMENDATION

12. That the Board approves the Children and Young People's Plan for 2009-2011.

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