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APPENDIX 1

Appendix 1: Children and Young People's Plan updated action plan 2010-11

Priority 1: Every child and young person will be given the opportunity to have the healthiest possible start in life and be supported to make healthy lifestyle choices.

- 1.1 Continued development of Sexual Health Services.
- 1.2 Continued work to reduce teenage conceptions.
- 1.3 Further development of Substance Misuse Services.
- 1.4 Continues work to address obesity and promote healthy weight.
- 1.5 Undertake CAMHS review to increase effectiveness.
- 1.6 Implementation of Targeted Mental Health in Southampton schools.
- 1.7 Development of services for children with disabilities, complex health needs and special educational needs.
- 1.8 Review and develop services to improve children's speech and language.
- 1.9 Work to reduce smoking amongst pregnant women and families.
- 1.10 Implementation of the Healthy Child Programme.
- 1.11 Continues work with schools to maintain Healthy Schools status.

Priority 2: We will support, challenge and empower parents and carers to give children and young people the best start in life.

- 2.1 Continue to improve access to parenting programmes.
- 2.2 Continue to develop and improve provision of family support.
- 2.3 Continue to improve services to reflect families' changing needs.

Priority 3: More of our children and young people will be kept safe from abuse, domestic violence, bullying and harassment.

- 3.1 To improve timescales for initial assessments.
- 3.2 To improve timescales for core assessments.
- 3.3 To ensure that child protection investigations comply with statutory requirements
- 3.4 To ensure robust systems for identifying, assessing and visiting children who are privately fostered.
- 3.5 Improve performance in relation to children subject to a child protection plan.
- 3.6 Improve response to families experiencing domestic violence especially focussing on those at 'medium' risk including specific services for children and young people.
- 3.7 Ensure robust joint responses between agencies for families exposed to 'hidden harm' particularly domestic violence, alcohol and substance misuse.

Priority 4: We will improve outcomes for key groups of children and young people, especially children in care and care leavers, and children and young people with complex needs and disabilities.

- 4.1 To continue to improve placement stability for children looked after.
- 4.2 To reconfigure residential services
- 4.3 Improve the working of the corporate parenting group so that there are formal structures in place for it to meet with, listen to, and act on the views of children and young people, and to enable it to challenge performance in providing services to children in care.
- 4.4 To develop an outcome focussed care planning framework.
- 4.5 To establish a robust system of quality assurance.
- 4.6 Develop an action plan based on the outcomes of the Children's Disability Commissioning Review by August 2010.
- 4.7 Roll out Aiming High short breaks contracts by April 2010.

- 4.8 Develop re-designed Children's Disability Strategy Group.
- 4.9 To have a City wide Transition strategic planning group.

Priority 5: Many more of our children and young people will enjoy, actively engage with and achieve well at school.

- 5.1 To improve educational attainment in primary schools.
- 5.2 To improve educational attainment in secondary schools.
- 5.3 To improve educational attainment by age 19 years.
- 5.4 Improve the quality of information, advice and guidance.
- 5.5 Identify and promote activities which enhance children's enjoyment.
- 5.6 To improve the attainment of vulnerable groups of children.
- 5.7 To reduce the rate of absences from primary schools.
- 5.8 To reduce the rate of absences from secondary school.
- 5.9 To reduce the numbers of persistently absent pupils.
- 5.10 To reduce absences of children looked after.
- 5.11 Reduce fixed term exclusions from primary and secondary schools.

Priority 6: We will support the transformation in educational attainment and outcomes for children, young people, families and communities by investing in new infrastructure and school buildings.

- 6.1 To complete the procurement for the two Academies.
- 6.2 To complete the first stage procurement for Building Schools for the Future.
- 6.3 To progress the Primary Capital Programme.
- 6.4 To progress major projects at secondary schools.
- 6.5 To complete the Children's Centres, Early Years and Extended Services Programme.
- 6.6 Review options for co-location of services.

Priority 7: Many more of our children and young people will engage in positive activities and fewer of them will be involved in crime and anti-social behaviour.

- 7.1 Continue to reshape services targeted at the most at risk children and young people by developing close multi-agency locality working.
- 7.2 Continue to reduce the number of children and young people engaged in anti social behaviour.
- 7.3 Fewer children and young people are the victims of crime or entering the youth justice system.
- 7.4 To reduce the proportion of children looked after offending.
- 7.5 To ensure the continued promotion of the positive image of children and young people in Southampton.

Priority 8: Many more of our young people will successfully achieve the right skills and qualifications needed for their future economic independence.

- 8.1 To reduce the percentage of young people who are not in education, employment or training.
- 8.2 To provide a range of provision that is consistent, comprehensive and meets the needs of 14-19 year olds in a timely way.
- 8.3 Improve resources available and planning for effective transition to post-16 training.
- 8.4 Raise the profile of the issue of NEETs within the City Council and externally.

Priority 9: We will reduce significantly the number of children and young people living in poverty.

- 9.1 Ensure that the jobs potential in the city secures job opportunities for people in Priority Neighbourhoods and from excluded communities.
- 9.2 Use Section 106 Planning obligations to negotiate employment and training plans with private sector developers.
- 9.3 Work with employers and community groups to improve the employment opportunities for excluded communities.
- 9.4 Deliver externally funded initiatives to raise skills through programmes such as ESF, Learning and Skills Council and the future Adult Skills Agency.
- 9.5 Pathways to Work programme targeting Employment and Support Allowance claimants
- 9.6 Deliver an additional support package to newly unemployed residents.
- 9.7 Continue to support Southampton Information Training and Employment Service (SITES) and the partnership working to enable employment and training initiatives to be developed.
- 9.8 Work in partnership with key council departments, statutory and voluntary agencies to develop an informed, coordinated approach to tackling child poverty locally.
- 9.9 Improve our data collection of children living in poverty.
- 9.10 Develop criteria and framework for monitoring child poverty locally incorporating the Locality Performance Management Toolkit.
- 9.11 Ensure outreach/ local services target the most disadvantaged families and engage them with mainstream services.
- 9.12 Continuation of the Child Poverty Pilot in three Children's Centres to target support to families to enable them to prepare for and return to work.
- 9.13 Develop a local Child Poverty Toolkit.
- 9.14 Implementation of a general Tax Credits awareness and benefit take-up campaign with additional activities focussed at parents in deprived areas.
- 9.15 Develop and implement plan to prioritise English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) to target those at most need.
- 9.16 Carry out an assessment of childcare in the City and ensure there are clear links between Jobcentre Plus and children's services to ensure parents have sufficient childcare to return to work.
- 9.17 Work with schools to promote school meals and Free School Meals entitlement.
- 9.18 Promote Financial Inclusion including access to bank accounts, affordable credit, savings, face-to-face money and debt advice and access to insurance services.
- 9.19 Tackling fuel poverty In households with children and improving energy efficiency.

Priority 10: The Southampton Children and Young People Trust will develop and adopt new ways of leading, managing and organising services to support the delivery of this plan, with the fullest possible participation of children, young people, parents and carers.

- 10.1 To ensure the actions of the CYPT Implementation Plan are carried out.
- 10.2 To ensure the actions of the Workforce Strategy are implemented.
- 10.3 Ensure that data is presented and analysed according to the needs of the Directorate and CYPT.
- 10.4 Ensure performance management is rigorous and consistent.
- 10.5 Implementation of Joint Commissioning Strategy.
- 10.6 To implement the UNICEF Friendly Communities work programme

The detailed action plan can be found in the background document: The review of the first year of the Children and Young People's Plan 2009-2012.