Service Improvement Plan (abridged) - 2009/ 2012

Children, Education & Social Care

Children & Young People's Services

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Development Priority: CESC CYP1 - Promote positive sexual health, including the reduction in the level of conceptions in under 18 year olds

Key Actions	By when	Outcomes and Success Criteria
Implement the Teenage Pregnancy Action Plan.	Annual review of action plan through to 2010	Local Access to gum services (offered) – target of 100% of patients offered an appointment to be seen within 48 hours
		Local Access to GUM services (seen) – target of
Implement the Sexual Health Action Plan	2010	95% of patients are seen within 48 hours.
		LAA NI 112: Under 18 conception rate - Reduce to 24.05 per 1000 females aged 15-17 by 2011
		VSB13: Increased Chlamydia Prevalence (Screening) - 17% of the population aged 15-24 screened or tested for Chlamydia in 20010/011.
		Local: Increase the numbers of schools achieving the 'Healthy School Award' 96% by December 2009

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Development Priority: CESC CYP2 - Reduce substance misuse (including alcohol and tobacco) by children and young people and reduce the effects on children, young people and family life

Key Actions	By when	Outcomes and Success Criteria
Review and implement the Young People's Substance Misuse action plan and annual review	March 2010	NI115: Reduced level of substance misuse by young people – target reduction to 11.1% for 2009/10 from 08/09 baseline of 14.2%
Review and implement the Hidden Harm Partnership action plan and annual review	March 2010	Local : Ensure that all young offenders are screened for substance (YOT), those with
Implement the Smoking Cessation action plan and annual review	March 2010	identified substance misuse needs receive specialist assessment within 5 working days and, following the assessment, access the early
Implement and annual review the Alcohol minimisation Strategy taking account of Scrutiny review outcomes	March 2010	intervention and treatment services they require within 10 working days – Target of 100%

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Development Priority: CESC CYP3 - Reduce levels of obesity in children and young people

Key Actions	By when	Outcomes and Success Criteria
Implementation and annual review of Obesity Strategy and action plan, reviewed annually	March 2010	NI 55: Obesity in primary school age children in Reception. Rise in obesity is halted by 2010, and then reduced Reduce the percentage of
Implementation and delivery of the Healthy Schools Standards action plan and annual review	March 2010	children in Reception with height and weight recorded who are obese to 12.97% by 2010/2011
Implementation and delivery of Sport Strategy Action Plan and annual review	March 2010	LAA NI 56: Obesity in primary school age children in Year 6. Rise in obesity is halted by
Implementation and delivery of Play Builder action plans.	March 2010	2010, and then reduced Reduce the percentage of children in Year 6 with height and weight recorded who are obese to 19.17% by 2010/2011
		NI 57: Children and young people's participation in high-quality PE and sport Sport England Survey due for introduction 2009/10
		LAA NI 53: Prevalence of breastfeeding at 6-8 weeks from birth – increase to 38% by 2010/11
		Local: Increase the numbers of schools achieving the 'Healthy School Award' 96% by December 2009

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Development Priority: CESC CYP4 - Improve the mental health and emotional well-being of children and young people

Key Actions	By when	Outcomes and Success Criteria
Implement and annual review of Tees-wide CAMHS Strategy and development of locality plan with a focus on tiers 1 & 2.	Plan to be reviewed annually	Local: Increase the percentage of mental health inpatients aged under 18 in CAMHS wards - Maintain at 0 to 2012
ASD/ADHD: Development of care pathway	Plan to be reviewed annually	NI 50: Emotional health of children – target increase of 72.6% for 2009/10 from 2008/09 baseline of 64.8%
Development and delivery of targeted mental health in schools project	March 2010	NI51: Effectiveness of CAMHS - Improve rating of annual self assessment from current 12 to 14 by April 2011
		Local: All young people who are assed by ASSET as manifesting acute mental health are referred by YOTs to CAMHS within 5 working days and non acute referred by YOTs to CAMHS within 15 working days 95% of referral of juveniles manifesting non-acute mental health difficulties to CAMHS are within 5 working days by 2012.

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Development Priority: CESC CYP5 - Improve and develop support for families with disabled children and young people

Key Actions	By when	Outcomes and Success Criteria
Development and delivery of Transition Strategy and action plan	March 2010	NI 54: Services for disabled children – New measure for introduction 2009/10
Delivery of Complex and Additional needs action plan	March 2010 (annual review)	NI 130: Social Care clients receiving Self Directed Support as a percentage of clients receiving community based services and carers receiving specific services – target of 5% by
Review and reconfiguration of special educational needs provision	March 2010	2011
Delivery of Aiming High for Disabled Children action plan	March 2011	Local: Increasing access and take up of short term provision – targets to be determined

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Development Priority: CESC CYP6 - Ensure effective multi-agency safeguarding of our most vulnerable children and young people

Key Actions	By when	Outcomes and Success Criteria
Delivery of the Local Safeguarding Children action plan	March 2010	NI 65: Children becoming subject of a child protection plan for a second or subsequent time Maintain re-registrations of children with a child
Respond to internal review of child protection and outcomes of Laming review	October 2009	protection plan (CPP) between 10-15% by 2012.
		Local : Percentage of de-registrations that had been on the child protection register for 2+ years.
Review and implement all policies and procedures across all partners to ensure full compliance.	March 2010	- Maintain at 0% for 2012.
		NI 59: Initial assessments for children's social care carried out within 35 days of their commencement
Implement the national Improving Information Sharing and	In line with	
Management (IISaM) programme	national timescales	NI 60: Core assessments for children's social care that were carried out within 35 days of their commencement Sustain high level of Performance in timely completion of core assessments and aim to achieve 90%+ by 20011/12.
		NI67: Child protection cases which were reviewed within required timescales Maintain 100% of reviews of children with a CPP are completed in timescales by 2012.

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Development Priority: CESC CYP7 - Continue to improve the outcomes for Children in Care (cic)

Key Actions	By when	Outcomes and Success Criteria
Review and update the Corporate Parenting Strategy.	December 2009	NI62: The percentage children in care with 3 or more placements during the year - Sustain at <10% by 20011-2012
Agree & Implement the Placement Strategy	June 2009	Local Percentage of children in care adopted during the year – Improve to >=8% by 2012 NI66: looked after children reviews conducted within required timescales - >95% of children in care reviews are conducted in timescales by
		LAA NI63: Stability of placements of looked after children: Length of placement - improve to 68% by 2010/11.
		Local: Percentage of children in care missing 25 + school days per year – sustain below 10% to 2012 NI148 LAA: Care leavers in employment,
		education and training - >70% in 20010/11.

	Local: Reduce the percentage of children newly in care during the year, and still in care at 31 March, who were placed more than 20 miles from their home address from which first placed - <6% by 2012
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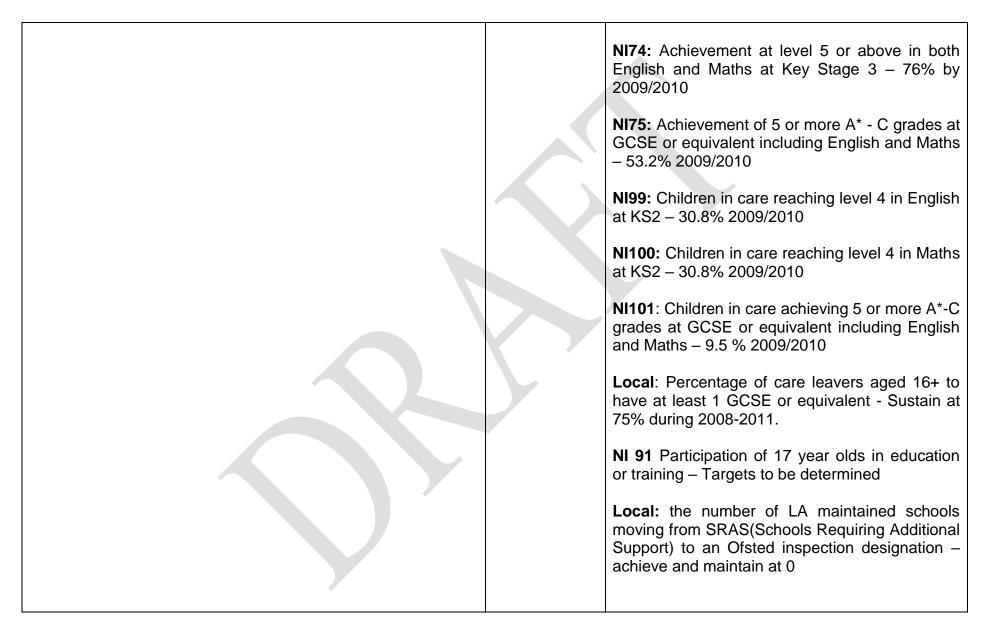
Development Priority: CESC CYP8 - Improve children and young people's feelings and experience of safety in the community

Key Actions	By when	Outcomes and Success Criteria
To support schools in achieving DCSF Bullying – A Charter for action	Rolling programme every 2 years	Local: Divert young people into positive activities – target to provide 150 3 hour sessions per year
Agree & Implement the Placement Strategy	March 2011	NI 110: Young people's participation in positive activities – target increase to 69.5% for 2009/10 from 28/09 baseline of 65.3%
		NI69: Children who have experienced bullying – target reduction to43.5% for 2008/10 form 08/09 baseline of 47.3%

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Development Priority: CESC CYP9 - Raise achievement for all children, particularly for vulnerable and hard to reach groups, through continued improvements in educational attainment across key stages

Key Actions	By when	Outcomes and Success Criteria
Deliver the Virtual School to raise achievement standards for young people in care	Annual school development plan	NI72: Achievement of at least 78 points across the Early Years Foundation Stage with at least 6 in each of the scales in Personal Social and Emotional Development and Communication, Language and Literacy - 66.9% by 2009/2010
Implement strategy to improve further the educational performance of children and young people from Pakistani communities	In line with JAR action plan	NI92: Narrowing the gap between the lowest achieving 20% in the Early Years Foundation Stage Profile and the rest - 32.6% by 2009/2010
Improve robustness of performance monitoring and challenge to secure more consistent improvement across key Stage 3	Annual review	NI93: Progression by 2 levels in English between Key Stage1 and Key Stage 2 - 91% by 2009/2010
Narrow the gap in attainment through implementation of the National Challenge programme	2012	NI94: Progression by 2 levels in English between Key Stage1 and Key Stage 2 - 88% by 2009/2010
		NI73: Achievement at level 4 or above in both English and Maths at Key Stage 2 - 82% by 2009/2010



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Development Priority: CESC CYP10 - Secure further improvement in young people's participation, retention and achievement in further education, training and employment

Key Actions	By when	Outcomes and Success Criteria
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Continue to develop the 14-19 Partnership: review and implement the 14-19 strategy	Annual review	NI90: Take up of 14-19 learning diplomas – target to be determined
Deliver the new arrangements for commissioning of post 16 provision in line with the national programme arising from 'Raising Expectations' white paper and changes in the	Commissioning plan in place from	NI79: Achievement of a level 2 qualification by the age of 19 – target to be determined
'Machinery of Government' Future plans	September 2012	LAA NI 80: Achievement of a level 3 qualification by the age of 19
		NI85: Post 16 participation in the physical sciences ('A' Level Physics, Chemistry and Maths) – target to be determined

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Development Priority: CESC CYP11 - Increase enjoyment by improving access, participation, inclusion, progression, curriculum flexibility and enrichment across phase

Key Actions	By when	Outcomes and Success Criteria
Implement and embed behaviour and Attendance partnership working	April 2010	Local : The proportion of parents receiving their first choice school place for their child – to be sustained at a minimum of 98% in 2008 (review
Support the development of learning communities through integrated working	Summer 2010	targets for 2009 onwards following implementation of equal ranking)
Develop and implement flexible provision for all 14-19 year olds	2012	LAA NI87: reduce the percentage of persistent absentee secondary school pupils (those missing 20% or more of the school year) – 2009
Transform learning by implementing Building Schools for the Future plans	2012/13	target of 5.5%
Implement the recommendations of CAN Strategy for children and young people with complex needs	2012	Local : Percentage of children in care missing 25+ school days per year – target to be determined

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Development Priority: CESC CYP12 - Increase the range of accessible culture, leisure and sporting activities for children and young people by developing services across statutory, voluntary and independent sectors

Key Actions	By when	Outcomes and Success Criteria
Support and challenge schools and partners to deliver high quality sport and physical activity	2012	NI88: Percentage of schools providing access to extended services – 100% by summer 2010
Delivery of Play Strategy action plan and annual review	March 2010 (reviewed annually)	Local: Increase the numbers of schools achieving the 'Healthy School Award – target of 96% by December 2009
Delivery of further Youth Café provision across Stockton-on- Tees	March 2010	

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Development Priority: CESC CYP13 - Enhance the involvement of children and young people, parents and carers in community life, positive activities and in the development of services to meet identified need

Key Actions	By when	Outcomes and Success Criteria
Implement and review of the Participation, Involvement and Consultation action plan	Annual review of plan	Local : Children in care communicate their views for each of their statutory reviews using a range
Develop more opportunities for children and young people to engage in volunteer programmes including the "V" scheme	Annual programme	of mechanisms including personal participation, written or electronic communication or independent representation - Maintain at 100% by 2012.
Complete the Efficiency, Improvement and Transformation review of Youth Service and Youth Service provision and develop and implement the action plan.	Review completed by July 2009	Local: volunteering measure – Target to be determined.
Develop Young Carers strategy and action plan	April2010	NI110: Young People's participation in positive activities – target increase to 72.6% for 2009/10 from 08/09 baseline of 64.8%

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Development Priority: CESC CYP14 - Reduce levels of youth offending and anti-social behaviour

Key Actions	By when	Outcomes and Success Criteria
Delivery of the Youth Justice Plan	Annual Plan	Local: The percentage of children in care, as ratio to % of all children, given final warnings,
Implement the Youth Crime Action Plan.	3 Year national	reprimands and convictions – target of <3 for 2009/10
	programme running to March 2011	NI43: Young people within the Youth Justice System receiving a conviction I court who are sentenced to custody – target of <5% for
Implement the targeted use support initiative	Annual Plan	2009/10
		NI45 : Young offenders engaged in suitable education, training and employment – target of 90% for 2009/10.
		NI19: Reduce re-offending rate by young offenders –target to be determined
		LAA NI111: First time entrants to the Youth Justice System aged 10-17 - Reduce to a maximum of 453 in 2008/09.

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Development Priority: CESC CYP15 - Improve progression, participation and retention in education, employment or training

Key Actions	By when	Outcomes and Success Criteria	
Implement NEET Strategy as part of the 14-19 Strategy.	March 2010	NI117: The proportion of 16-18 year olds who are NEET - Reduce to 9.0% or below by 2009/10 (based on place of learning).	
Further develop transition arrangements for LDD/D young	April 2010		
people by implementing Person Centered Planning at 14+		Local: The proportion of 16-18 year olds who are recorded as 'situation not known' – Target to be determined.	
		Local: Targets for increasing the proportion of vulnerable young people who are EET will be achieved (as per targets in the IYSS Plan). – Target to be determined.	
		Local: Increase the proportion of 17 and 18 year olds who are retained in EET – Target to be determined	

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Development Priority: CESC CYP16 - Reduce youth homelessness and develop more appropriate range of responses to minimise its impact

Key Actions	By when	Outcomes and Success Criteria
Implement action plan to support Young People's Homelessness Strategy.	3-year action plan (2008- 2011)	Local: No young person to be placed in bed and breakfast accommodation by 2010 (subject to emergency cases)
		Local: Reduction in young people becoming homeless – 20% reduction from 08/09 baseline by 2010
		Local: Reduction in young people repeatedly presenting as homeless and not progressing to successful and sustained tenancies – 20% reduction from 08/09 baseline by 2010

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Development Priority: CESC CYP17 - Seek to reduce poverty and the impact of poverty on children, young people and their families

Key Actions	By when	Outcomes and Success Criteria
Complete the programme to establish access to Children's Centres across all areas of the Borough	April 2010	LAA NI109 : Number of SureStart Centres - 13 by 2009/10.
Implementation and annual review of the Childcare Strategy action plan to address gaps in provision and manage the local childcare market	3 year strategy (2008/2011)	LAA NI116: Proportion of children living in poverty – Target to be determined.
Implementation and annual review of the Extended Schools Strategy	April 2010	NI118: Take up of formal childcare by low income working families – Target to be determined
Review the commissioning of information, advice and guidance services for families and young people	April 2010	Local: Extended School services are available to all communities in the area – 100% schools delivering the core offer by September 2010
Review financial support arrangements for children and families living within poverty	April 2010	NI 52: Take up of school lunches – Target to be determined
Promote the uptake of school meals and further develop breakfast clubs	April 2010	

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Development Priority: CESC CYP18 - Embed integrated services

Key Actions	By when	Outcomes and Success Criteria
Implement Parenting Strategy action plan	3-Year Plan 2008 to 2011	Local: Implement Parenting Strategy action plan – annual review March 2009
Review and evaluate the impact of the move to Integrated Services	March 2010	Local: Children and young people and their families are able to access the full range of services through extended schools/children's centres – completion of Children's centre
Deliver the CAF action plan	2009/10	Programme by March 2010/completion of Extended Schools Programme by September 2010

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Development Priority: CESC CYP19 - Implement major capital programmes to improve quality of learning and school buildings

Key Actions	By when	Outcomes and Success Criteria
Develop and implement Building Schools for the Future (BSF programme)	Submit outline business case, spring 2009 Agree contracts for building projects, 2011/12. Complete building programme and open schools, from 2012/13	Local: Programmes are completed in line with national programme requirements.
Implement Primary Capital Programme (PCP)	14 Year programme reviewed annually	

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Development Priority: CESC CYP20 - Review of governance arrangements in line with DCSF guidance on Children's Trusts

Key Actions	By when	Outcomes and Success Criteria
Review present CTB arrangements and implement actions arising	March 2010	Local: CTB meeting government guidance and legislation
Complete programme of Partnership Healthchecks for CTB partnership groups	March 2010	

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Development Priority: CESC CYP21 - Implement the Integrated Workforce Development Strategy.

Key Actions	By when	Outcomes and Success Criteria
Delivery of Workforce Development Strategy and action plan	Annual review of action plan	To be determined