

# **Children and Young People's Health and Wellbeing Commissioning Group**

A meeting of Children and Young People's Health and Wellbeing Commissioning Group was held on Thursday, 16th October, 2014.

**Present:** Sarah Bowman-Abouna, Cllr Mrs Ann McCoy, Mrs Lynda Brown, Emma Champley, Simon Willson, Louise Okello

**Officers:** Jane Harvey, Sean McEneaney (CESC), Michael Henderson (LD)

**Also in attendance:**

**Apologies:** Peter Kelly, Shaun McLurg, Chief/Supt Gordon Laing, Hilary Hall, Kate Birkenhead

## **CHW 38/14 Appointment of Chairman**

RESOLVED that Sarah Bowman- Abouna Chairs the meeting.

## **CHW 39/14 Declarations of Interest**

There were no declarations of interest.

## **CHW 40/14 Minutes of the meetings held on 19 June 2014 and 18 July 2014**

The minutes of the meetings held on 19 June 2014 and 18 July 2014 were confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

Members briefly discussed the sexual health review update item considered at the June meeting. It was noted that, with regard to teenage pregnancy, there may be a requirement for schools to have a qualified person in the school. It was agreed that there may be something that could be developed locally to support schools with this.

## **CHW 41/14 Support Services for Young Carers**

The Group received a report that informed members of a tender process that had been undertaken to commission a support service for young carers, and the subsequent outcome of this exercise.

Members noted that the successful bid had been submitted by Eastern Ravens Trust, the incumbent service provider.

Members noted that there would be attempts to generate more information about carers including increasing the awareness of schools. Councillor McCoy, Cabinet Member for Children and Young People, asked that she be kept updated on this. It was also suggested that Education and Children's Commissioning Team (CESC) meet to consider how school awareness might be improved.

Members agreed that any similar commissioning activity should be fed into the Group.

RESOLVED that the report and discussion be noted and actioned where

appropriate.

**CHW  
42/14**      **Commissioning Intentions 15/16**

The Group considered a briefing paper that outlined initial planning regarding the commissioning intentions relating to contracts held by the Public Health service.

Members were asked to consider the contents of the paper and identify any points that may require further discussion, particularly the opportunity for synergies with partner organisations/opportunities for joint planning or commissioning.

Members were also provided with first draft commissioning intentions from NHS Hartlepool and Stockton CCG

Discussion took place on mental health and the opportunities for the CCG to work with the Council in this area.

Members noted that some more detailed information from the CCG was likely to come to the next meeting.

Children, Education and Social Care highlighted some potential areas of joint commissioning:

- SEN
- LAC
- Speech and Language
- CMAP

RESOLVED that the information be noted and partner organisations continue to consider potential areas of joint commissioning through this Group.

**CHW  
43/14**      **Special Educational Needs - Reforms**

Members received a report that updated the Commissioning Group on the current situation in respect of the implementation of the requirements of the Children and Families Bill Act Part 3 - Children and Young People in England with Special Educational Needs. The report also detailed the next steps to be taken in implementing the reform.

Members noted that future reports would focus on opportunities for Joint Commissioning. The Children and Young People's Partnership would consider all relevant strategic issues including SEN reforms.

Members noted that there were waiting lists associated with Occupational Therapy and this service was being reviewed. Other delays were being caused by Health Professionals not attending assessment meetings. Reducing delays needed to be improved and would be a commissioning priority.

RESOLVED that the update and next steps be noted.

**CHW**    **Forward Plan**  
**44/14**

The Group considered the Forward Plan.

RESOLVED that the Forward Plan be noted.