

AGENDA ITEM

REPORT TO HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD

18th September 2019

REPORT OF HAST CCG

Creating better outcomes for children and young people in Hartlepool and Stockton-On-Tees.

PURPOSE OF THE PAPER

1. To update the board on work that has taken place across health, local authority and voluntary, community and social enterprise (VCSE) sector in relation to integrated ways of working for children and young people
2. . To present a compact agreement that has been jointly developed as a result of the integrated work.
3. . To ask the board to endorse the agreement set out within the compact and support the principles as the way of working for all children and young people's development/commissioning when there is more than one strategic partner involved.
4. The board are also asked to provide oversight/governance to the priority group and act as a point of escalation/resolution where required.

BACKGROUND

5. In January 2019 an event was hosted by the CCG, and facilitated by the Advisory Board to explore both the potential and appetite for working systematically across the children and young people's agenda.
6. The event was attended by partners from health (North Tees and Hartlepool Foundation Trust and TEWV), both Local authorities (commissioning, education, social care and public health) and the VCSE (Catalyst represented as a strategic partner for the sector).
7. There was consideration given to inviting children/young people and families, however at this stage it was determined that the work required related to the system working differently together.
8. During the event the facilitator presented a number of examples of working as an integrated system and the steps that needed to be taken in order to embed the ways of working, which ensured the systems holds one another to account.
9. The event also allowed for exploration of current challenges and frustrations which were being felt across the system by all partners. This provided the platform for identifying some initial areas of work that could be explored further and tested for a new integrated way of working.
10. The areas that were identified for initial further exploration were emotional health and wellbeing and SEND

11. A steering group that was representative of all partners working within the children and young people's system was established following this event in order to take the work forward.

Actions taken to date:

12. The membership, name and responsibility of the group was reviewed and finalised with a terms of reference developed.
13. There was collective agreement that to ensure organisations could hold one another to account an agreement needed to be developed and endorsed/signed up to by each organisation.
14. A compact (which is attached) was jointly developed which outlines the strategic goals, principles, behaviours, commitments, risks and sustainability which the group will work too when working as an integrated system.
15. The compact has been reviewed by each organisation separately and supported as a way of working for the children and young peoples' agenda.
16. The two priority areas that were identified at the initial event were reviewed in more detail, a decision was made to take forward emotional health and wellbeing as the area for testing integrated ways of working.
17. The group worked with a facilitator to develop and refine a series of workshops that would be attended by practitioners from organisations across the whole system. The aim of workshops was to review the current pathway, identify gaps, identify areas of priority and suggest areas of development.
18. The series of workshops concluded with outputs being presented to the integrated group for review and agreement around actions to be taken forward.
19. These recommendations are presented to board today in a separate paper requiring a decision.
20. A collective agreement was made that to ensure the system is held to account for working within the compact principles, and has a place to escalate too. The HWBB would be presented the work and asked to act in a governance capacity as all partners are represented and provides an obvious place for escalation and resolution if required.

Next Steps

21. To continue to oversee and implement the work from workshops for emotional health and wellbeing.
22. To review the second priority area and agree what work needs to be taken forward as a system, in order to improve outcomes for children and young people.
23. To develop and implement the approach identified for implementing this work.
24. To explore other priority area's that will form part of the workplan for integrated group.

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS:

25. There are no legal or regulatory implications, the compact is not a legally binding document.

RISK ASSESSMENT:

26. The work that is undertaken as part of the compact is presented and agreed by each of the relevant/affected organisations. Where required it will also be presented to other boards, for example the Mental Health and Learning Disabilities partnership.

COMMUNITY IMPACT IMPLICATIONS:

27. Any work undertaken and supported by the integrated priorities group will be done so with the express aim of improving services for children, young people and families. The ethos of the compact is to look for solutions as a system, in order to eradicate/minimise any negative impacts for children, young people and their families.

COUNCIL PLAN POLICY PRINCIPLES AND PRIORITIES:

28. The Stockton-on-Tees Health and Wellbeing Strategy aims to give every child the best start in life and children and young people the opportunity to maximise their capabilities to have control of their lives.

CONSULTATION, INCLUDING WARD/COUNCILLORS:

29. Members of Stockton Borough Council have been involved in the development of the compact and all work to date.

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