

## Children and Young People's Partnership

A meeting of Children and Young People's Partnership was held on Monday, 25th November, 2019.

**Present:** Matin Gray (Chair), Cllr Lisa Evans, Sara Dalton, Pete Graham, Jo Heaney, Stephanie el-Malak, Sarah Massiter, Liam Twizell, Victoria Whitfield,

**Officers:** Nigel Hart, Tanja Braun, Vanessa Housley, Gemma Mann, Joanne Mills, Linda Russell-Bond, Rob White, Dave Willingham, Janet Wilson.

**Also in attendance:** Kamini Shah,

**Apologies:** Chris Davis, Claire Abley, Rhona Bollands.

### **CHP 9/19      Declarations of Interest**

There were no Declarations of Interest declared.

### **CHP 10/19      Minutes of the meeting held on 19 June 2019**

The minutes of the meeting held on 19th June 2019 were confirmed as a correct record.

### **CHP 11/19      JSNA - Oral Health**

Kamini Shah, Consultant in Dental Public Health (Public Health England) provided the Partnership with a presentation and completed JSNA template relating to Oral Health. The main strategic issues included:-

- Significant oral health inequalities within the Borough for 5 year old children, although for the first time Stockton had now come in line with the national average. Dental general anaesthetic referral rates also increasing;
- Low dental access rates and consequent sub optimal fluoride interventions in very early years considered to be a contributory factor to high decay rates in most deprived children. Early intervention could address this issue;
- Vulnerable older people who suffer from motor and cognitive disabilities require support to maintain good oral hygiene; and assistance to arrange preventive and treatment care to prevent deterioration in oral health;
- Incidence and mortality rates from oral cancer in the Borough were significantly higher than the national average and had been increasing since 2012.

As a result, PHE had sought to work closely with schools to improve oral health with around 45 of our 60 Primary schools having engaged. SEN in all age groups in all schools had also been approached. There was currently no programme in place either across Early Years. Both the Education Improvement Service and the Early Years Manager offered their support to the PHE in increasing engagement within their areas.

Further consultation with schools that took part in water fluoridation consultation was also planned to take place to understand any barriers, and therefore schools would continue to be engaged in the promotion of oral health.

It was suggested that the Director of Childrens Services and the Cabinet Member write to those Primary schools that had as yet to engage to encourage their participation.

RESOLVED that:-

1. The template be approved for publication.
2. The Director of Childrens Services and the Cabinet Member write to those Primary schools that had as yet to engage in PHE Oral Health promotion campaign to encourage their future participation.

**CHP  
12/19**      **JSNA - Childhood Injuries**

Members received a presentation and completed JSNA template relating to Childhood Injuries.

The main strategic issues were as follows:-

- The rate of hospital admissions due to unintentional and deliberate injuries for children and young people aged 0-14 was significantly higher than the national average;
- The rate of hospital admissions due to unintentional and deliberate injuries for children and young people aged 15-24 was significantly higher than the national average.

Efforts were therefore being made to extend the prevention message to as wide a variety of partners as possible through work within Family Hubs, Early Years and through Family Learning training schemes on home safety.

RESOLVED that the template be approved for publication.

**CHP  
13/19**      **JSNA - Suicide Prevention**

This item was deferred for consideration.

RESOLVED that consideration of the item be deferred.

**CHP  
14/19**      **Scoping the Sector Survey 2019**

Members received a presentation from the Health & Wellbeing Programme Manager (Catalyst) scoping the Voluntary, Community & Social Enterprise Sector (VCSE) within Stockton Borough in 2019.

Key findings from the survey revealed a high number of organisations dependent on grant funding (over half of the respondents to the survey), and 87% of respondents saying that demand for their services had increased within the last two years.

Health and social care activity remained a priority for most organisations, and the loss of the Health Initiatives programme had been acutely felt.

Members referred to the three identified top training needs, which included statutory requirements and requested more detail as to what this entailed.

Overall, the survey confirmed that the VCSE sector felt well supported by Catalyst. Areas that had been identified for improvement, such as training needs, accessible forums and meetings, were now in the process of being addressed.

RESOLVED that:-

1. The results of the Scoping the Sector Survey be noted.
2. Further information regarding the training requested regarding statutory requirements be provided.

**CHP  
15/19**

## **Resilience**

The Partnership engaged in a workshop session to understand the different ways partners worked in building resilience in children and young people; which was a key objective within the CYP Strategy, in order to then be able to identify the value added and test alternative ways of working.

Building resilience required all partners working to support children and young people to overcome adversity; promote high levels of self efficacy; encourages their self regulation; and to be empathetic towards their needs and feelings.

As background, members noted the work already being done building capacity with schools and other linked programmes.

Members comments were noted as follows:-

- Emotional health & wellbeing was now included within the new Ofsted Inspection framework;
- Family Hubs had a key role to play with the benefits likely to be felt within schools;
- More could be done within Early Years re mental health;
- The affects of emotional and mental harm were felt in equal measure by children & young people in all wards of the Borough - some children from deprived areas could claim to be very resilient, but often did not take up support that was available;
- Examples of support being delivered included:-
  - P.D. Briefings in schools,
  - Character Education instilling good coping skills,
  - Personal Development Networks delivered in Family Hubs,
  - NHS Trailblazer programme,
  - EHH Practitioners,
  - RSHE from Sept 2020,
  - Virtual Schools focus on attachment and trauma training with all but 6

Secondary schools engaged,  
-VCSE delivery,  
-role of parents.

The task was therefore to connect and make coherent each of the above and to clarify how we currently engage, and what the impact is. Models used by other authorities such as Blackpool could assist this process and the good practice of other authorities and partners should be included.

RESOLVED that the comments be noted and be developed for further consideration.

**CHP  
16/19**

**Forward Plan**

The Partnership considered its Forward Plan.