

# **Minutes**

Meeting: CYPL Partnership Board Date: Friday 11<sup>th</sup> November 2016

Present: Mark Longstaff (ML) Chair/Head of Commissioning and Investment, NTC

Mark Taylor (MT) Strategic Commissioning Manager, Children and Families, NTC

Craig Anderson (CA) Policy, Performance and Research Manager, NTC Rachel Nicholson (RN) Senior Manager Public Health & Wellbeing, NTC Audrey Kingham (AK) Deputy Principal, Tyne Metropolitan College

Jill Baker (JB) Senior Manager, Early Help and Vulnerable Families, NTC Carla Franchi (CF) Programme Manager, Children's Services, Barnardos

Kath Robinson (KR) Principal Manager, Integrated Disability & Additional Needs Service

Mick Paterson (MP)
Steve Rundle (SR)
Sue Burns (SB)
Superintendent, Northumbria Police
CCG Commissioning Manager
NTSCB Business Manager, NTC

Jacqui Old (JO) Director of Children's & Adult's Services, NTC

In attendance: Fiona Lucas (Minutes)

**Location:** Room 4.02, Quadrant

Minutes of meeting

	Item	Action
1.	Welcome, introductions and apologies for absence	
	Apologies were received from Alyson Raine, Jon Vincent, David Baldwin, Richard Burrows, Peter Bent, Wendy Burke and Sandra Brydon	
2.	Minutes of previous meeting (6.7.16)	
	The minutes of the meeting held on 6 <sup>th</sup> July 2016 were agreed as an accurate account.	
3.	Matters arising	
3a.	CAMHS benchmarking data to be sent by Alison Raine – CA confirmed that conversations had taken place with Bruce Parvin and the policy and performance team on the CAMHS data. MT reminded colleagues that the CAMHS data would be required for Ofsted single inspection purposes. <b>Action:</b> CA to confirm that the CAMHS data had been received.	CA
3b.	Employment and Skills Review – <b>Action:</b> Angela James to circulate information regarding the review in advance of the report going to Cabinet in January 2017.	AJ
4.	Planning and Governance	
4.1	Prevention and Early Help Strategy – (Jill Baker)	
	The North Tyneside Prevention and Early Help Strategy has been approved	

and signed off. JB confirmed that this was now on the website - see link: Prevention and Early Help Strategy.

The strategy would be refreshed in 2017 to reflect learning from across the system including the work of the locality teams.

# 4.2 Locality update (Locality Teams, Chirton and Riverside, Wallsend Children's Community) Jill Baker

Report tabled on behalf of David Baldwin on the Wallsend Children's Community and circulated with the minutes

ML confirmed that future CYPL Partnership Board meetings would provide an opportunity to share updates from all 4 localities.

**Board** 

JB confirmed that there would be an input at the Headteacher briefing (20.1.17) on early help and locality working arrangements

The Riverside and Chirton working group is a multiagency partnership, led by Paul Hanson, and including a wide range of statutory agencies and VCS partners. It seeks to address issues of socio-economic deprivation related to housing, education, employment and health within these wards. The group meets on a regular basis and includes representation from the CYPL Partnership Board.

## 4.3 Terms of Reference (Mark Taylor)

Presentation by Mark Taylor on the terms of reference for the CYPL Partnership Board and attached with the minutes

The slides highlighted:

- The core purpose of the board
- The oversight of key priorities in the Children and Young People's Plan
- Some key considerations for the board in terms of strategic priorities and roles and responsibilities. These include: the Prevention & Early Help Strategy; Children's Services transformation programme; Children's Health and Wellbeing agenda; clarifying the linkages with education partnerships and the extent of the Board's role in the employment and skills agenda; oversight of thematic CYPL working groups
- The CYPL Partnership governance structure, including links to other partnerships and strategic groups

JB reminded colleagues that the Troubled Families Strategic Group no longer meets and the intention was for representatives to join the CYPL Partnership Board as there is significant overlap in the work of both groups.

Agreed to extend the invite list to the next CYPL Partnership Board to the Troubled Families Strategic Group

JB

AJ

It was also proposed to explore representation on the board from special schools and first/primary schools.

Views were requested from board members on their organisational priorities,

their contribution to the partnership and what they would want the board to focus on.

#### Police:

- 1. Have shifted their performance monitoring framework to focus on measuring impact and protecting the most vulnerable
- 2. To emphasise all of the investment taking place within North Tyneside and the strengths and assets of our communities rather than focusing on the negativities within the borough.

#### CCG:

- 1. Focused on financial recovery and reviewing governance arrangements including opportunities for closer working with other CCGs
- 2. Changes to the CCG's commissioning function
- 3. Key priorities include SEND, preparation for inspection, safeguarding, maternity review and other statutory requirements.

#### Tyne Met College:

- 1. System change and organisational change across the post-16 phase
- 2. Exploring new delivery models
- 3. Working differently to ensure an integrated approach across education, health and care

## 5. Safe, Supported and Cared For

# 5.1 Performance update (Craig Anderson)

Presentation and performance report by Craig Anderson attached with the minutes

#### Highlights:

- ➤ A 26% increase in the number of early help assessments completed
- 27% of all early help assessments have taken place within the Chirton and Riverside wards.
- ➤ There has been a significant reduction in the number of looked after children over the last year (currently at 279 LAC). More work needs to be undertaken to evidence the impact of early help in terms of reducing the number of children entering care.
- ➤ LAC and care leavers are supported effectively 78% are in employment and training and 97% are in suitable accommodation
- ➤ There has been an increase in referrals (contacts) to children's social care but approximately half of these do not warrant a statutory plan
- ➤ SEN we have significantly more children assessed as needing a statutory Education, Health and Care (EHC) plan (13.7%) despite the overall lower number of pupils with SEN in North Tyneside schools, as compared with regional and national comparators.
- A higher % of pupils have speech, language and communication needs. KR confirmed there were a number of teams commissioned to work with children on speech and language. **Action:** SR to confirm whether the CCG commissioned services work in schools and/or health clinics.

SR

# 5.2 Transforming Children's Services – Phase 2 proposals (Jill Baker) Presentation by Jill Baker attached with the minutes

Changes made within Children's Services to date include the design of a new

early help system; early help pathways and locality teams; with arrangements to ensure children are kept safe.

Evidence of what works has been drawn from:

- Dartington Social Research 'System Dynamics' a whole system approach to managing the stock and flow of demand through the children's social care system.
- 'Signs of Safety' a new social care practice model that will become the framework for transforming our children's social care system. This is an evidence based model, taking a safety based approach to the care and protection of children and families which seeks to build upon the family's strengths and assets.
- North Yorkshire County Council's 'No Wrong Door' approach; providing continuity of support across social care settings through a single worker model for those young people with complex needs
- Leeds City Council 'Child Friendly City' and their focus on restorative practice with families

In North Tyneside, as part of the next phase of the Transformation Programme, we have proposed 3 key pledges for children and young people:

- Pledge 1: we intervene early with evidence based, family focussed services
- Pledge 2: we work in partnership to keep children in school
- **Pledge 3**: we keep them safe at home and connected to their local communities.

The above pledges will be shared and consulted upon with staff across children's services and partner agencies

#### Next steps:

- To establish project design groups to design and build the new model
- Establish a partner reference group to test the model (sub group of the NTSCB)
- Provide opportunities across Children's Services and partner agencies to be involved and help reshape Children's Services
- Provide opportunities to have your say and challenge the way we currently do things.

The presentation to be shared at Headteacher briefing 25.11.16.

# The transfer of the 0-19 Children's Public Health Service (Rachel Nicholson)

The Children's Public Health Service 0-19 years comprises the Health Visiting and School Nursing services. It has been agreed that the 0-19 service will transfer from Northumbria Healthcare NHS Trust (NHCFT) to North Tyneside Council by the end of March 2017. A Project Board continues to meet fortnightly to oversee the transfer and has developed a detailed project plan to ensure a safe and effective transition.

A letter would be sent to all Headteachers by the end of November 2016 to reassure schools around the transfer of staff.

RN/WB

JB/MT

## CYP Mental Health and Emotional Wellbeing Strategy (Rachel Nicholson)

The strategy has been developed by a multi-agency Children and Young People's Mental Health and Emotional Wellbeing Strategic Group and incorporates the findings from the National Mental Health Taskforce 'Future in Mind'. The strategy also encompasses our local CAHMS Transformation Plan and goes beyond clinical mental health services to include the importance of prevention and early intervention to build emotional resilience and wellbeing.

The Thrive Model is at the heart of the transformation plan and strategy. This is being proposed nationally and focuses much more on the individual's needs rather than a pre-occupation with defined tiers and thresholds

The strategy was signed off by the Health and Wellbeing Board in September and is available via this <u>link</u>. The CYPL Board agreed to monitor the implementation of the strategy and provide progress reports back to the Health and Wellbeing Board in 6 months time.

RN/WB

### 5.3 NTSCB update report (Sue Burns)

NTSCB update report circulated in advance of the meeting

The NTSCB annual report for 15-16 was presented and discussed see link: NTSCB annual report

## Highlights

- NTSCB has developed an independent website which has improved the visibility of the board
- A comprehensive review of the NTSCB policies and procedures had been undertaken over the year
- NTSCB provides a strong multi agency training programme. There are effective mechanisms for evidencing good practice.
- There have been no serious case reviews since 2010 but a number of learning reviews have taken place.

#### Areas for development:

- To strengthen the analysis of performance data and quality assurance role
- To improve on the 50% return from school regarding the section 11 safeguarding self assessment audits
- To strengthen the oversight of the early help arrangements and ensure these keep children safe are protected
- To further engage the views of children and young people
- To focus on specific themes including the reduction of domestic abuse and neglect.

#### 6. Ready for School, Work and Life

### 6.1 Performance update (Craig Anderson)

#### Ready for school:

North Tyneside is above the national average for good level of development in the Early Years Foundation Stage for the first time. Childhood obesity for children in reception and in year 6 remains as issue

## Ready for work and life

- Progress in English there have been significant improvements in performance for Norham High School children
- Progress from leaving school into work there are low levels (3.8%) of NEETs.

## 6.2 Proposal for a new 'Tyneside College' (Audrey Kingham)

Presentation on the proposed Tyneside merger of South Tyneside and Tyne Met College and attached with the minutes

Proposals are being developed as part of a government led Area Based Review of FE provision. The proposed timeline, strategic priorities and changes to governance and leadership were discussed.

#### <u>Timeline of the proposed merger</u>

- Area Based Review (Sept 16-Feb17) support already in place from FE Commissioner
- Due Diligence (Nov-Dec 16)
- Public Consultation (Spring 17)
- Decision by Board of Corporation (Summer 17)
- Open Tyneside College (target date 1 August 2017)

#### Staffing changes at Tyne Met College

- Jon Vincent, Chief Executive & Principal, has left the College
- Anne-Marie Crozier, Deputy Principal, to leave at the end of the academic year.
- Roz Moore, Clerk to the governing body to leave at the end of 2016.

**Action:** Mark L to write to Jon thanking him for his work on this Board.

ML

## 7. Any other business

There was no any other business

### 8. Dates of future meetings

Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> March 2017, 9.30 – 12.00, room 4.01, QE Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> July 2017, 9.30 – 12.00, room 4.01, QE