

Decision taken by Cabinet 9 November 2017

Resolved

- 1) Notes the consultation process and analysis set out in Appendix 1 of the report and the Equality Impact Assessment set out in Appendix 3 of the report.
- 2) Agrees that the Strategic Director for People be authorised to take any necessary steps to implement the Hybrid Model and the recommended approach to transitional arrangements outlined in Section 5 and detailed in Appendix 2 of the report on terms and conditions satisfactory to the Joint Managing Director (Resources);
- 3) Agrees that the Strategic Director for People be authorised to arrange with the exception of Atherstone , Stockingford and St. Michael's, the transition of 2HELP places from the proposed Children and Family Centres to the Private, Voluntary and Independent Nursery Sector on terms and conditions satisfactory to the Joint Managing Director (Resources);
- 4) Agrees that the Strategic Director for People and the Joint Managing Director (Resources) are authorised to terminate the lease agreements with the current providers of Kenilworth (Bertie Road), Warwick and Whitnash Children Centres and to arrange the responsibility for the day to day operation of the buildings being assumed by the Maintained Nursery Schools;
- 5) Agrees that the Strategic Director for People and the Joint Managing Director (Resources) be authorised to develop and implement the process for the reassignment of sites that are no longer designated as Children and Family Centres; and
- 6) Agrees that the timescales for implementation as outlined in Section 6 be approved.
- 7) Agrees that the eight recommendations agreed by the Children and Young People Overview and Scrutiny Committee at its meeting on 7 November 2017 be endorsed. These are:

That the Children and Young People Overview and Scrutiny Committee:

- (a) Welcomes the increase in the number of proposed Children and Family Centres in the revised proposals to Cabinet from 12 to 14 and the adoption of a transitional approach to implementation of the new Hybrid Model as outlined in the report.

- (b) Welcomes the prioritisation of Family Support which has to date through the Family Support Worker model been successful in improving outcomes for local children and families and the proposal for an integrated Family Support Work service as set out in the report to Cabinet.
- (c) Asks that Cabinet ensures that those providers operating the 14 Children and Family Centres clearly outline how they will successfully deliver outreach services from the list of 16 Outreach Centres identified at 1.4 (b) of the report to Cabinet.
- (d) Asks that Cabinet ensures that all new providers operating Children and Family Centres in rural areas supply detailed proposals outlining how they will provide services for those 'hard to reach' families within their geographical areas.
- (e) Asks that Cabinet ensures that (i) ongoing progress reports are provided to CYPOS in respect of the 'milestones' as outlined in the timetable at 6.4 of the report to Cabinet and (ii) that if these proposals are accepted by Cabinet detailed implementation plans are brought forward to CYPOS for consideration when available.
- (f) Asks Cabinet to ensure that, prior to any closure of the 11 sites that will no longer be designated as Children's Centres or as providing Children's Centre services as identified at 1.4 (d) of the report to Cabinet, regard will be given to current usage, provision and proximity to the proposed Children and Family Centres in respect of identified outreach needs.
- (g) Asks Cabinet to review the present arrangements around local advisory boards to ensure greater inclusivity, local involvement and accountability moving forward.
- (h) Asks that Cabinet ensure there is a quality assurance framework within the commissioning process, which includes all safeguarding matters.