

Health & Wellbeing Board

Wednesday 25 March 2015

0-5 year Strategy Group

Recommendations

- (1) The Health & Wellbeing Board is recommended to consider and approve the establishment of a Strategy Group for 0-5 with the Terms of Reference set out at Appendix 1 and within the governance structure at Appendix 2.
- (2) The Board is invited to comment on the initial work programme set out below in paragraph 3.

1.0 Background

- 1.1 The County Council agreed on 5 February 2015 to set up a cross party and multi-agency Strategy Group for 0-5s services, which would report to the Health & Wellbeing Board. Additional funding for this important area of provision was agreed : £800K for the financial year 2015/16 and £1.5M for each of the following two financial years.

2.0 Terms of Reference

- 2.1 Terms of Reference for the Strategy Group have now been drafted for consideration by the Health & Wellbeing Board. They are attached (Appendix 1). It is proposed to have a 3:3:3 membership comprising County Council elected Members, Clinical Commissioning Group representation and sector representatives from early years, primary schools and health providers.
- 2.2 The Group will be chaired by Councillor Roodhouse, and supported by Officers from the County Council. The lead officer would be Helen King, Deputy Director of Public Health, who also Chairs the 0-5 sub-group of the Joint Commissioning Board. It will be seen from the governance diagram (Appendix 2) that it is proposed that the existing Joint Commissioning Board reports in future to the Strategy Group as the delivery arm for 0-5 year Strategy.
- 2.3 The role of the Group would be to set the strategic direction for both commissioning and delivery of services for 0-5 years across the county, supporting the range of partners to do so. It would determine priorities for the additional budget provided by the Council, but in doing so would also seek to align existing County Council spend with that of other strategic partners.

2.4 The Strategic Group would report to the Health & Wellbeing Board, and the cycles of meetings would accordingly be linked.

3.0. Work Programme

3.1. It will be important that the Strategy Group demonstrates an early delivery of outcomes. The Terms of Reference include Objectives and Performance Outcomes, derived from the current Health & Wellbeing Strategy.

3.2. In order to make early progress and at the same time to do so with the maximum engagement of stakeholders, including families, it is proposed to co-construct a 'timeline' and 'Child's Journey' map. The purpose of this is to document both 'as is' and 'to be' arrangements and processes and then to secure views on priorities for action and investment.

3.3. it is proposed that the work on this 'Child's Journey' map is started by a workshop on 3 June, to include the Strategy Group, partners and families.

3.4. Following further engagement and consultation across the communities of Warwickshire, action and priorities for investment would be determined by the autumn of this year.

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