

Report to:	Health and Wellbeing Board	Date of Meeting:	Wednesday 9 June 2021
Subject:	Sub Group Updates		
Report of:	Director of Public Health	Wards Affected:	(All Wards);
Portfolio:	Health and Wellbeing		
Is this a Key Decision:	N	Included in Forward Plan:	No
Exempt / Confidential Report:	N		

Summary:

This report is to present to the Health and Wellbeing Board a summary of activity from the five identified sub groups. This is activity since the last report received by the board on the 10th March 2021.

Recommendation(s):

(1) The updates are received and noted by the Board.

Reasons for the Recommendation(s):

The Board is asked to routinely receive and note updates to ensure compliance with required governance standards.

Alternative Options Considered and Rejected: (including any Risk Implications)

Not applicable

What will it cost and how will it be financed?

(A) Revenue Costs

There are no additional revenue costs identified within the report

(B) Capital Costs

There are no additional capital costs identified within this report

Implications of the Proposals:

Resource Implications (Financial, IT, Staffing and Assets):

There are no additional resource implications

Legal Implications:	
Equality Implications: There are no equality implications.	
Climate Emergency Implications:	
The recommendations within this report will	
Have a positive impact	N
Have a neutral impact	Y
Have a negative impact	N
The Author has undertaken the Climate Emergency training for report authors	Y
The report details updates of the subcommittee activity which in themselves have no specific impact negatively or positively on Climate Change.	

Contribution to the Council’s Core Purpose:

Protect the most vulnerable: Ensure the Health Wellbeing Board has oversight of Subgroup activity and its impact
Facilitate confident and resilient communities: Ensure the Health Wellbeing Board has oversight of Subgroup activity and its impact
Commission, broker and provide core services: Ensure the Health Wellbeing Board has oversight of Subgroup activity and its impact
Place – leadership and influencer: Ensure the Health Wellbeing Board has oversight of Subgroup activity and its impact
Drivers of change and reform: Ensure the Health Wellbeing Board has oversight of Subgroup activity and its impact
Facilitate sustainable economic prosperity: Not applicable
Greater income for social investment: Not applicable
Cleaner Greener: Not applicable

What consultations have taken place on the proposals and when?

(A) Internal Consultations

The Executive Director of Corporate Resources and Customer Services (FD.6398/21) and the Chief Legal and Democratic Officer (LD.4599/21) have been consulted and any comments have been incorporated into the report.

(B) External Consultations

Implementation Date for the Decision

Immediately following the Board meeting.

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Appendices:

There are no appendices to this report

Background Papers:

There are no background papers available for inspection.

1. Introduction

- 1.1 As agreed at the December 2019 meeting of the Health and Wellbeing board the Board has agreed to receive a standard agenda item of summarised activity of its formal sub groups.
- 1.2 The subgroups are identified as: the SEND Continuous Improvement Board, the Children & Young People Partnership Board, the Adults Forum, the Health and Wellbeing Board Executive and the Health Protection Forum

2. Updates

2.1 SEND Continuous Improvement Board (SENDICB)

At the last Health and Wellbeing Board a full report was provided on the progress of the SEND Improvement Plan and also provided feedback on the virtual meeting with Senior Officials from the Department of Education and NHS England and a group of Board members in December 2021.

Since that report further meetings of the SENDICB have taken place on 16th March 2021 and 27th April 2021. A meeting is scheduled for 25th May 2021 and will be reported at the next update.

At the March meeting the following items were discussed: Personal Health Budgets (PHBs), Co-Production and Improvement plan update.

The report on Personal Health Budgets updated the Board on the progress to increase the use of PHBs as part of Education Health and Care Plans (EHCP). Information was provided on the uptake to date and also the campaign that is taking place to increase numbers. Case studies were provided for information. At

the time of the report there were 30 children and young people with PHBs in place.

A report on Co-Production provided information on the work of the SEND Co-production sub group of the Board for Quarter 3. The Board was informed that the work of the sub group has included, preparation for the full Parent Carer Survey (March 2021), EHCP Quality Assurance, oversight of the graduated response booklet, update on Short Break provision and review, SENDIASS, parent carer voice and impact as well as youth voice and impact. A copy of separate report on Youth Voice was provided as well as a You said, We did overview. This is available on the Local Offer webpages.

The improvement plan is provided each meeting to look at the actual data against for Sefton.

At the April meeting the following items were discussed: EHCP Termly update on reviews and also the Quality Assurance; Parent Carer Survey and Complaints. CAMHS, the Sefton Mental Health and Wellbeing Offer for Children and Young People and an Improvement Plan update.

The reports on EHCPs noted that in terms of the reviews taking place confidence remains high in terms of delivering against 31st July goal – there is learning to take from the work undertaken on reviews that will help going forward, however, the Board was advised of increasing numbers of reviews as number of EHCPs increases. For the report on quality of EHCPs the Board was informed that there is a pleasing trajectory in improving quality of plans and indicated that the new format of the EHCP template has contributed to this as the template makes plans more specific. By June 2021 the KPI is for 70% of plans to be good and this is currently being met and they will continue to strive for this towards outstanding EHCPs. This is important not just in terms of delivery of the improvement plan but about sustainability of the system.

The Parent Carer Survey took place earlier in the year and this was analysed and reported to the Board. The survey was very positive although there is further work required with regard to the DCO and the Local Offer. We have tried to triangulate this with what we believe parents are looking for, it may be content or navigating the system. It is clear Covid has had an impact. There is lots of information for colleagues to consider as this is a valuable resource tool. It was noted by the Board that this helps to inform where work needs to take place going forward. It was also noted that numbers of EHCPs are up from 1500 in 2019 to over 2000. With the report there was information provided on complaints received with regard to SEND. It is anticipated that as parents are more aware of the process of an EHCP that the type of complaint may change to that of parents not agreeing with the outcomes in the plan.

CAMHS information was provided which indicated that the last six months have been a challenge due to escalating demand re Covid. The report covered the whole sector including Alder Hey and also third sector services e.g. VENUS and Parenting2000.

The increasing demand on services has also been noted nationally as well as locally. A lot of work has taken place across Cheshire and Merseyside Mental Health cell to model the impact, initially this was anticipated as 15% but this has

been updated to 30%. The report contained performance information, however, JH noted it is important that the Board were aware these are locally agreed measures by Alder Hey and not mandated targets. There has been an increase in referrals which have comprised more complex issues with more intensive clinical intervention required which also takes more time. The report concluded with the plans and actions in place to mitigate risk and the next steps.

Public Health provided information on Mental Health Services for Children and Young People in Sefton. The Board was provided with information on the work that partners are undertaking in this area and referenced the NHS Longer Term Plan for children and Young Peoples Mental Health and the Mental Health in Support Teams (MHST). In Sefton partners are looking to remove the tiered approach and use a THRIVE framework which is more a set of principles which are needs led. There will be an increased focus on Coping and Getting Help before a move into more intensive services as this approach will allow for issues to be resolved at an earlier stage. Information was provided on Mental Health Support Teams and although Covid caused some delays they are now back on track. Information on support was provided as well as the training that practitioners will receive. The report noted that one silver lining from Covid is that mental health is being discussed more openly. An expression of interest for a further team has been successful and is likely to be in place in 2023.

Each meeting reviews the Risk Register and the Improvement Plan which looks at the actual data against the expected performance and targets as a result of the information further information was requested and supplied to the April Board as noted above.

A further visit by Senior Officials of the DfE and NHSE is expected in June 2021 and information from this visit will be reported at a future update.

2.2 Children and Young People Partnership Board (CYPPB):

Since the time of writing the last update to the Health and Wellbeing Board one meeting has taken place of the CYPPB on 17th March 2021. A meeting is scheduled to take place on 26th May and details will be included in the next update to the Health and Wellbeing Board.

At the March 2021 meeting the following items were discussed: Post 16 Partnership, Further Education (FE) Provision. Early Help Quarter 3 Report, Young Advisors Report, CYPP Comms and Engagement. At every meeting the Risk Register is reviewed.

The Post 16 Partnership report provided an overview of the Post 16 Partnership Group and the four working parties (i) Case Management; (ii) NEET; (iii) Careers Education and Guidance and; (iv) Employment Support and Transition into World of Work. The group was set up to strengthen local partnership arrangements to ensure a co-ordinated borough wide strategy is developed to increase participation in education, employment and training for young people. The group has met a few times with a good range of partners on the group. The provision has been mapped looking at opportunities for young people both within Sefton and also further afield e.g. Southport Town Deal and what skills are required.

There were two papers outlining the FE Provision in Sefton from Hugh Baird College and Southport College. Both papers provided an overview of the work the colleges are undertaking in support of the four themes: Heard; Happy; Healthy; and Achieving set out in Sefton's Children & Young People Plan 2020–2025. The Board was informed that Hugh Baird College takes learners from 14-16 years to age all the way to Honours Degree level and from hairdressing to engineering. There is a 3-year curriculum offering quality labour market skills, behaviours and attributes e.g. resilience which can be translated into the nature of the work place. The college is doing more working with students on their voice to how this translates into engagement. The paper on Southport College noted they work on ensuring children's voices are heard and families get the right support and help at the right time. In addition to capturing learner voice from their students on programme at every level from entry to degree they actively engage in a wide range of transition and support programmes.

A discussion followed and it was noted that for students at Hugh Baird 20% of the 14-16-year olds are accessing food banks and have never interacted with this before.

A discussion also took place on the confidence of businesses in colleges and the interaction between them. The challenge is to be in constant dialogue as skills will be changing, everything needs to be employer driven, need to have true employer engagement. Some businesses are slow to react, colleges can shift and change post 16 and it is about how flexible you need to be, e.g. offer outside of traditional September to August timescales.

The report on Early Help provided a summary of Early Help across Quarter 3 including data, key themes, point of interest and next steps. The main findings were an 18% increase in referrals and also intensity of need, which can go up to Level 3. It was noted that social and emotional difficulties had the most significant increase of 447% in the quarter. A lot of work has taken place to step down to universal services, although some families were not happy for cases to be closed. Team development is a key focus going forward and a survey of staff and families was positive. The Board was informed that there is a Level 2 pilot taking place to look at getting upstream support at the earliest possibility (due to the number of referrals) and involves SCVS, VENUS and Parenting2000. Discussion included the social emotional increase with regard to the level of need including in schools and also the numbers of families that had previously been unknown to services and it is a balancing act.

Young advisors; A report, initially presented to the LCR, was provided which outlined the additional work being undertaken by Sefton Young Advisors beyond the Sefton footprint. The work was commissioned by the Combined Authority and also the Violence Reduction Partnership Pan Mersey. The report outlined the key targets required by both commissioners of the work and also provided information on the recent work in Sefton.

A report outlining ongoing communication plan for the Children and Young People Plan (CYPP) was provided which gave a brief update on proposed communication and engagement work on the plan. There were a number of proposals outlined in the report e.g. a press release, and partners were requested to circulate the comms across their channels.

The Board also receives notes from the following groups for information if they had met:

SEND CIB

Early Help

Emotional health and Wellbeing Group

Community Safety Partnership

Provider Alliance

2.3 Adults Forum

The Adults Forum has not met since the last report received by the Board.

2.4 The Health and Wellbeing Executive

The Executive group has met once since our last meeting on the 22nd April 2021. The group received and noted financial and performance information for the Better Care Fund and discussed the NHS Financial Planning guidance requirements which were submitted for 2021/22 to NHS England by the CCG on the 6th May.

By correspond the Executive has also given oversight to the completion of the Better Care Fund report for 2020/21. This was required to be submitted to the national Better Care Team on Monday the 24th May. Councillor Moncur as Chair of the board gave final sign off to this prior to submission. The report reflected a total spend of £45, 538,645, made up of £25,451,755 of CCG funding and £20,086,890 of LA funding. The return is provided in the pdf attached to this report.

2.5 Health Protection forum

The health protection forum's work has been superseded during this time by the outbreak board. It is anticipated that the Health Protection Forum will reconvene in 2021, developments on this will be reported to the HWBB.

2.6 Other updates

Since the last report the Chair of the Board has considered and provided feedback based on the Pharmacy Needs Assessment, to the following applications to NHS E for changes to Pharmacy provision in the Borough:

- Rowlands 35 Upper Aughton Road Birkdale; Consolidation of Rowlands Birkdale with closing 13 Union Street Southport Store
- Higgins Pharmacy; Consolidation and change of ownership of the site at Higgins Pharmacy, 77 Crosby Road North, Waterloo, Liverpool, L22 4QD (continuing site) from Higgins Services Limited to Sharief Healthcare Limited and Sharief Healthcare Limited currently at Crosby Road Pharmacy, 59 Crosby Road North, Waterloo, Liverpool, L22 4QD (closing site).

3. Conclusion

The Board is asked to receive and note the contents of the report and to await further updates as part of the standard agenda going forward.