



Family Wellbeing Service

Overview and Scrutiny Committee

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Director of Social Care and Health

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Sefton Council 

ENGAGEMENT AND CONSULTATION PROCESS

- Engagement and consultation panel
- Overview and scrutiny committee
- Over 1600 questionnaires returned
- 15 Public consultation events held alongside meetings with Governors and HT, including SEND parent carers
- Website continuously updated and social media use including capturing comments
- Use of children and family centres and encouraged to complete questionnaires
- Radio



WHAT ARE THE PROPOSALS ?

- Introduce a 0-19 offer
- Sustain and expand outreach
- Address duplication on early years/help by transferring this to Children centres
- Introduce 3 Family and Well Being Centres; Talbot, Waterloo Primary and Netherton (which is already a co-located Family and Children Centre)
- Provide 9 complimentary bases
- Re-locate Seaforth Family and Children centre building



PUBLIC RESPONSE AND KEY CONSULTATION THEMES

- Anxious about closures with some focus on the North of the Borough as well as Seaforth
- “Done deals” and communities within communities
- Transport – accessibility buses, buggies and parking
- Support for disability/BME and families from around the World and barriers
- Significant locality opposition to Talbot Street and Waterloo
- 80% agree with key principles but 63% against 3 Family and Well Being centres and complimentary bases
- GPs and health are very keen to work together to establish Health and Wellbeing Centres
- Some Centres who weren’t proposed for Family and Wellbeing Centres suggested that they become a Family and Wellbeing Centre



You said...we listened – revised proposals

- Children Centres to support 0-19, early years, sustain and expand outreach and provide all early help services to avoid duplication; and introduce new funding methodology.
- keep Seaforth where it is
- Stage 2 would develop Health and Wellbeing services within the next 2 years



MONEY

- £169 million saved since 2011 and a further £64 million to save by 2020
- This proposal will save Circa £1.5M
- Funding methodology which ensures equity and transparency and considers
 - the Income Deprivation Affecting Children Index (IDACI), which is also used locally to allocate some school funding
 - inequalities in particular disability, migrants (English as a Second Language), travellers
 - reach footprints
 - the number of new births
 - an indication of the percentage of children in an area requiring social care support
 - case weighting for children in need and looked after children
 - a minimum funding protection factor that ensures no centre will see a reduction in funding by more than 31% of its historical funding.



PRACTICALITIES

- Locality working – alterations to reach areas
- Managing the new offer
- A commissioned model?
- Alignment with Council Locality Model



NEXT STEPS

- Cabinet decision 7th December
- Meet all Head Teachers to discuss Council decision and develop revised specification within context of the new funding formulae
- Meet Trade Unions and staff and keep them informed
- Staff and customer focus groups to input into design of service offer
- Keep Public and Overview and scrutiny informed
- Implement full plans in Spring/Summer 2018



Any questions or thoughts

