

# ITEM 4

Time commenced – 6.00pm

Time finished – 9.00pm

## **Children and Young People Board**

26 February 2018

Present: Councillor Eldret (Chair)  
Councillors Care, Hezelgrave, Roulstone, Williams, Willoughby and Winter  
and Chris Hulse, Nicky Fenton, Steve Grundy, Chris Reynolds and Ruth  
Richardson

In Attendance: Frederico Almeida – Youth Mayor-in-waiting  
Pauline Anderson – Service Director – Learning and Skills  
Jawaria Nadeem – Deputy Youth Mayor  
Andrew Kaiser - Head of Specialist Services  
Suanne Lim – Service Director – Children's Integrated Services  
Steven Mason – Democratic Services Officer  
Jasmine Nembhard-Francis – Head of Service – Quality Assurance  
Sonja Sebastian – Deputy Youth Mayor-in-waiting  
Tiny Simbani – Youth Mayor

### **39/17 Apologies for Absence**

It was noted that apologies had been received from Councillor Sara Bolton – Cabinet Member for Safeguarding and Children and Young People and Andy Smith - Strategic Director of People Services.

### **40/17 Late items introduced by the Chair**

There were none.

### **41/17 Declarations of Interest**

There were none.

### **42/17 Minutes of the meeting held on 18 December 2018**

The minutes of the meeting held on 18 December 2018 were agreed as a correct record.

### **43/17 Derby Safeguarding Children's Board Annual Report 2016-17**

The Board received a report of the Director of People Services on Derby Safeguarding Children's Board Annual Report 2016-17. The report was presented by the Head of Service – Quality Assurance.

It was reported that the Children Act 2004 (Section 14a) required Local Safeguarding Children Boards (LSCBs) to produce and publish an annual report

on the effectiveness of safeguarding in the local area. Members noted that the report attached at Appendix 2 set out the work of the Derby Safeguarding Children's Board (DSCB) for the financial year 1 April 2016 to 31 March 2017 and its understanding of the effectiveness of safeguarding arrangements across the city.

It was reported that the DSCB was made up and delivered by a strong leadership and made up of multi-agency partners.

It was noted that the DSCB had identified the following priority areas:

- Neglect and Early Help
- Domestic Violence
- Vulnerable Young People
- New and Emerging Communities

It was also noted that the report included clear recommendations which supported collaborative working across the partnership to ensure that those living and working in Derby were assured about how well local services and people in the community were working together to keep children safe.

Members were provided with an update on the work of the DSCB in schools.

It was noted that 26 QA notifications were raised for statutory requirements not met and that these included cases where there were concerns that a child had not been visited as per statutory requirements or statutory assessments not completed or completed in a timely way. It was reported that this represented an increase from last year.

Members discussed home tutoring and agreed that a report should come to a future meeting of the Board

Members were concerned that once a referral had been made to the Children and Adolescent Mental Health Service (CAMHS) there was a lengthy wait for a young person to be seen. It was reported that timescales had been reduced and that there were now better links between Derby City Council and CAMHS.

Corporate parenting and safeguarding training for Elected Members was discussed and it was agreed that it should be fully revised and updated and include:

- new and emerging communities and neglect;
- social care thresholds; and
- new legislation and changes.

Members agreed that as well as the training for all Elected Members, there should also be additional training for Members of the Board.

**Resolved:**

- 1. to note the report and work of the Derby Safeguarding Children Board;**
- 2. to agree that a report on safeguarding and home education be brought to a future meeting of the Children and Young People Board; and**
- 3. to agree that Corporate Parenting and Safeguarding training for Elected Members be revised and updated as discussed.**

## **44/17 Derby Child Sexual Exploitation Strategy Annual Report 2016-17**

The Board received a report of the Strategic Director of People Services on Derby Child Sexual Exploitation Strategy Annual Report 2016-17. The report was presented by the Head of Service – Quality Assurance.

Members noted that the annual report gave an overview of the effectiveness of the work to safeguard and protect children and young people in Derby, from Child Sexual Exploitation (CSE). It was also noted that the report reflected the multi-agency strategic and operational work, between April 2016 and March 2017 and that this work was governed and monitored by the Derby Safeguarding Children's Board (DSCB).

It was reported that the work to protect children from sexual exploitation was guided by the multi-agency CSE action plan, which was set out in line with the national guidance (DCSF 2009, DFE 2017), and the Government Guidance Working Together to Safeguard Children (DFE 2015) and local DSCB procedures, under the following 3 P's agenda:

- Prevention - through heightened awareness amongst children, professionals, families, and communities;
- Protection - of children and young people through direct and indirect work with children and families;
- Prosecution: through investigation, conviction, and disruption of offenders; and
- Recovery - ensuring young people receive the right support and intervention to aid recovery.

It was also reported that an annual action plan guided the work of partners supported by close collaboration between key multi-agency partners. Members noted that this has ensured that many children and young people had been protected from CSE and had received intensive support.

Members noted a number of achievements, such as CSE training for taxi drivers, the development of CSE risk assessment tools and the appointment of CSE champions.

It was reported that recommendations for 2017/18 included capturing low level CSE and prevention work and a review of the current CSE action plan.

Members discussed CSE and a young person's transition to adulthood. It was agreed that a report should come to a future meeting of the Board and that this should include data from the last 10 years, support put in place for young people and feedback from young people.

Members were informed about the Ucreate project and it was reported that this was a competition for primary aged children to create a radio advert to raise awareness of risks associated with sexting. It was also reported that children in 44 schools across the country had entered this competition and rolled out their work in their respective schools after the competition winners were named.

Members discussed age appropriate awareness training in schools and agreed that a report on this should be brought to a future meeting of the Board.

Members agreed that officers should consider the possibility of introducing mandatory CSE training for those who work in licensed premises, such as bar staff and security. It was also agreed that consideration should also be given to training being offered to the wider community, such as at leisure facilities and churches, and that this could involve the introduction of a 'Quality Mark'.

**Resolved:**

- 1. to note the report and work of the Derby Safeguarding Children Board;**
- 2. to agree that a report on CSE and the transition to adulthood be brought to a future meeting of the Children and Young People Board; and**
- 3. to agree that a report on CSE age appropriate awareness training in schools be brought to a future meeting of the Children and Young People Board.**

## **45/17 2017 Annual Education Performance Outcomes**

The Board received a report of the Strategic Director of People Services on 2017 Annual Education Performance Outcomes. The report was presented by the Service Director – Learning and Skills.

It was reported that education improvement was judged in terms of pupil outcomes in schools (progress and attainment) and in terms of Ofsted judgements of schools. It was also reported that in addition, the school improvement team risk assessed all schools on a termly basis and that this provided a clear overview of the performance of all Derby schools and academies and enabled early intervention where schools were at risk of failure.

Members noted that there were improving trends in many areas of educational outcomes but comparisons with previous years were not always possible in some key stages because of major changes to the national curriculum and to the national assessment system. It was also noted that the local authority rankings were out of 152 local authorities. It was reported that as Derby was ranked 100th in terms of deprivation, any school outcomes ranked at 100 should be the

minimum expected level.

It was reported that there had been a steady improvement in the percentage of schools judged to be good or better since 2010. It was also reported that 79% of maintained schools and academies were judged good or better (August 31st 2017). It was noted that in late 2016 and early 2017 there was an increase in schools that were judged inadequate by Ofsted, but that that had been stemmed in maintained schools in January 2017 through robust risk assessment and intervention and no school has failed an inspection since then.

It was reported that school outcomes remained below the national level in Derby and in order to address this the Council continued to work on partnership led models of school improvement. It was also reported that the secondary and primary strategic groups and Teaching School Alliances which included representatives from head teachers and other partners had accessed external funding for school improvement through the Regional Schools Commissioner's office; national funding through the Teaching and Learning Innovation Fund and latterly from the Department for Education through the Opportunity Area (OA) Board.

Members received a performance update on:

- Early Years Foundation Stage
- Phonics
- Key Stage 1
- Key Stage 2
- Key Stage 4 GCSE
- Key Stage 5 A Level

Members noted the urgent need to improve outcomes for all students and in all subjects remained a key priority for Derby schools and for the school improvement team. Members also noted that two secondary Academies, Merrill and CODA were significantly underperforming and had recently been re-brokered by the Regional schools Commissioner into new Multi-Academy Trusts.

Members discussed the indicators of a healthy school, such as exclusions and mental health. It was agreed that reports on exclusions and mental health projects be brought to future meetings of the Board.

Members agreed that reports on SEND, the self improving school system and high achievers should be brought to future meetings of the Board.

**Resolved:**

- 1. to note 2017 results and school Ofsted inspection outcomes;**
- 2. to note the strengthening of Derby City Council's risk assessment and intervention;**
- 3. to note the strategies in place for 2017-18 based on the partnership approaches followed in the previous year;**
- 4. to agree that reports on exclusions and mental health projects be**

- brought to future meetings of the Children and Young People Board;
5. to agree that a report on SEND be brought to a future meeting of the Children and Young People Board;
  6. to agree that a report on the self improving school system be brought to a future meeting of the Children and Young People Board; and
  7. to agree that a report on high achievers be brought to a future meeting of the Children and Young People Board.

## 46/17 Youth Offending Service

The Board received a report of the Strategic Director of People Services on Youth Offending Service. The report and a presentation were presented by the Head of Specialist Services.

Members were provided with an update on:

- the current roles and responsibilities of the Service and partnership arrangements;
- the current performance of the Youth Offending Service against national outcome measures; Use of custody, Reducing Re-offending and Reducing First Time Entrants and initiatives being developed to further improve outcomes for this cohort of children young people;
- the new inspection framework by Her Majesty's Inspectorate of Probation; and
- the work being undertaken with looked after children and ensuring that the voice of the child is central to interventions delivered now and service developments for the future.

Members discussed the vital importance of the housing of re-offenders.

Members discussed Autism Spectrum Disorder awareness training provided to magistrates and agreed that officers should consider the possibility of offering PCSOs and Police Officers the same training.

**Resolved to note the presentation.**

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