

CHILDREN'S TRUST ARRANGEMENTS

SUMMARY

- 1.1 Section 10 of the Children Act 2004 sets out a range of statutory duties to improve the wellbeing of children, including arrangements for Children's Trusts.
- 1.2 This report sets out the membership, reporting and accountability arrangements for the Children's Trust in Derby.

RECOMMENDATION

- 2.1 To confirm the Children's Trust arrangements for Derby City, known as the City for Children and Young People's Executive – CCYP Executive.
- 2.2 To note the relevant and key partner agencies and organisations which make up the membership of the CCYP Executive.
- 2.3 To note the reporting and accountability arrangements for the Children's Trust.

REASON FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

- 3.1 The establishment of Children's Trust arrangements is a statutory requirement of the Children Act 2004. Arrangements have been developed through the Integrating Children's Services project, since the establishment of the Children and Young People's Department in January 2006 and through the review of the Derby City Partnership Structures.



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SUPPORTING INFORMATION

- 4.1 Section 10 of the Children Act 2004 sets out a range of statutory duties, which require Local Authorities to establish a Children's Trust to improve the wellbeing of children and young people, through the five Every Child Matters outcomes. In addition Local Authorities must establish a Local Safeguarding Children Board – LSCB – with a specific remit to the 'staying safe' outcome.
- 4.2 Information on the functioning and membership of the LSCB has previously been approved at the Cabinet Member meeting for Children and Young People on 17 July 2007.
- 4.3 With regard to Trust arrangements, the Act highlights the partners who must co-operate. In Derby these requirements are met through the City for Children and Young People's Executive, part of the Derby City Partnership arrangements.
- 4.4 The exact configuration of children's trust arrangements is a matter for local discretion, which reflects local needs and priorities. However, there are a number of relevant partners who must be included. Relevant partners have a statutory duty to co-operate and represent the key universal agencies that exist in every local authority.
- 4.5 In addition to the relevant partners, there are a number of other key partners who are also involved in work relating to children, young people and their families. Which key partners are included is also determined by local circumstance, and existing arrangements for broad stakeholder consultation and engagement. The key partners and relevant partners are listed in Appendix 2.
- 4.6 The role of the CCYP Executive is:
- to support the planning, development and implementation of the Children and Young People's Plan
 - to promote multi-agency working arrangements
 - the development of integrated processes including the Common Assessment Framework (CAF) and information sharing
 - strategic planning and commissioning with pooled resources.

- 4.7 Consultation and Commissioning arrangements previously agreed by the CCYP Executive will secure the full engagement of all key partners, including the voluntary and community sectors. Appendix 3 shows reporting and commissioning arrangements. Within these arrangements the wider partnership and members of the CCYP Executive may still refer decisions back to their respective organisation or agency when a decision is outside of their remit.
- 4.8 The partnership arrangements for the CCYP Executive reflect the overarching arrangements for the Derby City Partnership available at:
www.derbycitypartnership.co.uk
- 4.9 The functioning of the LSCB, together with the CCYP Executive, fulfils the Local Authority responsibility for Children's Trusts.

OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED

5. The implementation of a Children and Young People's Trust is a statutory requirement.

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Background papers:	None
List of appendices:	Appendix 1 – Implications Appendix 2 – Membership of the City for Children and Young People's Executive April 2007 Appendix 3 – Derby City Commissioning Strategy Governance Structure

IMPLICATIONS

Financial

- 1.1 None arising specifically from this report. The CCYP Executive is the management group for the relevant block of the LAA.

Legal

- 2.1 Section 10 of the Children Act 2004 sets out a range of statutory duties to improve the wellbeing of children, including arrangements for Children's Trusts.

Personnel

- 3.1 None arising specifically from this report. Members of the CCYP Executive have a key role in supporting partnership working and change management processes to improve the well being of children and young people.

Equalities impact

- 4.1 Through the implementation of Children's Trust arrangements, all members have a duty to promote equality of opportunity through the planning and delivery of services.

Corporate objectives and priorities for change

- 5.1 The work of the City for Children and Young People's Executive supports the corporate priority of **raising the quality of social care, improving the health and wellbeing of communities and responding quickly and effectively to the needs of children, young people and their parents and carers.**

Membership of the City for Children and Young People's Executive – April 2007

Relevant Partners	
Organisation	Representative
Derby City Council – CYP Department	Corporate Director for Children and Young People Chair of City for Children and Young People's Executive
Derby City Council – CYP Department	Assistant Director, Performance and Commissioning
Derby Community Safety Partnership	Director
Central Derby Primary Care Trust	Director of Clinical Quality/Executive Nurse
Connexions Derbyshire	Chief Executive
LSC-Derbyshire	Director of Area
Police Authority	Deputy Area Commander

Key Partners	
Organisation	Representative
Derby City Council	Cabinet Member for Children and Young People
Family Welfare Association	Regional Manager
YMCA Derbyshire	Chief Executive
University of Derby	Vice Chancellor
Derby Children and Young People's Network	Chair of Voluntary Sector Network
Derby Hospitals NHS Trust	Director of Nursing
Government Office for the East Midlands	Children's Service Adviser
Bemrose Community School	Head Teacher
Meadow Farm Community Primary School	Head Teacher
National Children's Homes	Assistant Director
Mental Health Trust	Unit General Manager

Others	
Youth Service (Shadow Board)	Team member, Derwent Youth Team
Derby City Partnership	Co-ordinator
Derby City Council – CYP Department	Head of Finance

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