Agenda Item No: Meeting: 21 July 2010

NORTH LINCOLNSHIRE COUNCIL

CABINET	

CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE'S PLAN 2010/13

1. OBJECT AND KEY POINTS IN THIS REPORT

1.1 To present Cabinet with the final draft of the Children's Trust Children and Young People's Plan 2010/13 for approval.

2. BACKGROUND INFORMATION

- 2.1 The Children and Young People's Plan (CYPP) is the overarching plan for all services for children, young people and their families in North Lincolnshire. It sets out our vision for the future, our shared priorities and our commitment to delivering high quality integrated services, where children and young people are at the centre of all that we do.
- 2.2 Our Children and Young People's Plan 2006/09 was superseded by our Transitional Plan 2009/10 which began to introduce the vision and strategic intention for the future of our Children's Trust.
- 2.3 Much progress was made during the previous plan.
 - Since 2006 we have seen an 18.5% improvement in the number of young people achieving 5 A*-C in their GCSE results
 - We have seen a significant drop in teem conceptions
 - We have more Children's Centres and more families and children accessing these facilities
 - Recent consultations with children and young people and the needs assessment shows that more of our young people are telling us they feel safe and less young people are worried about being bullied
 - More young people mare taking part in positive activities and less are entering the youth justice system
- 2.4 The Children and Young People's Plan is now a statutory requirement of the Apprenticeships, Skills, Children and Learning Act (ASCLA) 2009. As part of this, there is a requirement for the Children's Trust to develop, publish, review, revise and monitor the implementation of the Children and Young People's Plan.

- 2.5 The subsequent guidance 'Children's Trusts: statutory guidance on cooperation arrangements including the Children's Trust Board and the Children and Young People's Plan' outlines the key components for inclusion in the Plan and sets out partners' roles and responsibilities. In line with this guidance, the Council takes the lead role in setting up and maintaining cooperation and partnership arrangements, which comprise the Children's Trust.
- 2.6 The vision for our Plan is that 'we want North Lincolnshire to be a place where children and young people are safe, where families are supported and where life chances are transformed'. To support this, our Children and Young People's Plan 2010/13 identifies six strategic priorities as follows:
 - Raise Aspirations
 Every child and young person wants to be the best they can be and to achieve their potential
 - Children and young people feel safe and are safe
 Every child and young person is safe in their home, their school and in their community
 - Best start
 Every child has the best start to life and parents are supported to create strong families
 - Close the gap
 Children, young people and families receive the support they need so
 that they are not disadvantaged
 - Celebrate and engage children and young people
 Children and young people are valued as part of the community and their achievements recognised and celebrated.
 - One vision One workforce
 Services are child centred focused on improving outcomes and are
 integrated at the front line.
- 2.7 Partnership arrangements and delivery plans have been developed to underpin this Plan and ensure the strategic priorities are fulfilled.
- 2.8 The Children and Young People's Plan 2010/13 was approved by the Children's Board on 18 June 2010 and the NHS North Lincolnshire Board on 15 July 2010. Copies of the plan have been deposited in the political group offices and are available on request.
- 2.9 The CYPP and associated implementation plans will be reviewed annually and will align with budget planning cycles.

3. OPTIONS FOR CONSIDERATION

3.1 There are no options associated with this paper. The CYPP is a statutory plan and has been developed in consultation with all stakeholders.

4. ANALYSIS OF OPTIONS

4.1 The statutory requirement to develop and publish the CYPP is met.

5. RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS (FINANCIAL, STAFFING, PROPERTY, IT)

5.1 Financial - The Plan does reference high level resources and there will be resource implications associated with the delivery of the plan, though this will be the subject of further reports to appropriate Partnership and Cabinet meetings.

6. OTHER IMPLICATIONS (STATUTORY, ENVIRONMENTAL, DIVERSITY, SECTION 17 - CRIME AND DISORDER, RISK AND OTHER)

- 6.1 Statutory The development of the Plan has taken into account the legislative and statutory obligations of the Apprenticeships, Skills, Children and Learning Act, the Children's Trusts: statutory guidance on co-operation arrangements including the Children's Trust Board and the Children and Young People's Plan 2010 and other statutory policy drivers.
- 6.2 Diversity There is a heavy focus on vulnerability and diversity within the plan and a diversity impact assessment has been undertaken alongside the development of this Plan to ensure the needs of vulnerable groups and diverse communities have been met.

7. OUTCOMES OF CONSULTATION

- 7.1 The development of the Children and Young People's Plan 2010/2013 has undergone significant consultation with a range of key stakeholders.
- 7.2 A CYPP overview group involving key partners was involved in shaping and drafting the plan. Children and young people have been consulted via a range of opportunities, including school councils, children's centres, extended services, and youth support settings. Vulnerable groups including children in care and children with disabilities have been consulted through established groups like Garage Patch Kids, the Bizz Group, the Parents Forum and Thumbs Up and all views expressed by children and young people have been incorporated into the plan. Staff across the Children and Young People's Service have been involved in shaping the plan through workshop sessions and the plan has also been distributed for consultation across all partners via the Every North Lincolnshire Child Matters website. A further stakeholder event was convened on 8 June 2010 to include key partners and members across the Children's Trust Partnership governance arrangements. The Children's Trust Board has been updated regarding the plan's progress throughout its development.

7.3 Feedback and comments received have been built into the final document where appropriate.

8. **RECOMMENDATIONS**

8.1 That Cabinet approves the final draft of the Children and Young People's Plan 2010/13.

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Background Papers used in the preparation of this report:

Apprenticeship, Skills, Children and Learning Act 2009; Children's Trusts: statutory guidance on co-operation arrangements including the Children's Trust Board and the Children and Young People's Plan 2010

A full copy of the CYPP is available in the Political Group Offices.

The Plan will also be available on the www.everynorthlincschildmatters.org.uk website, which can also be accessed via the North Lincolnshire Council website.