

NORTH LINCOLNSHIRE COUNCIL

HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD

**NORTH LINCOLNSHIRE CHILDREN'S COMMISSIONING STRATEGY 2020/24
(2022 REFRESH)**

1. OBJECT AND KEY POINTS IN THIS REPORT

- 1.1 To note and endorse the North Lincolnshire Children's Commissioning Strategy 2020/24 (2022 refresh).
- 1.2 The 2022 refresh rearticulates One Family Approach and the local ambition for children to be in their families, in their schools and in their communities; and it resets our integration priorities and commissioning intent across education, health and care for our children and families.

2. BACKGROUND INFORMATION

- 2.1 The North Lincolnshire Health and Care Integration Plan sets the strategic vision and principles for integrated working within North Lincolnshire. The integrated care partnership and governance arrangements established for the place of North Lincolnshire includes the Integrated Children's Trust (ICT) (among others), which report to the Place Partnership. The ICT is the singular vehicle for developing our integrated approach and commissioning intent across the children and families offer, for our children and families.
- 2.2 Set in the context of the Health and Care Integration Plan 2021/24, and through the ICT, we developed and launched the inaugural Children's Commissioning Strategy 2020/24 in September 2020. The inaugural strategy articulated our One Family Approach to create a system that works for all children and families to contribute to our ambition for children to remain in their families, in their schools and in their communities. The strategy also identified five initial 'shine a light' areas of focus for partnership action in relation to the One Family Approach, Emotional Wellbeing and Mental Health, Early Years, SEND Support and the Children's Challenge.
- 2.3 Through identified leads and partnership delivery groups, the ICT has had oversight of activity, impact and outcomes pertaining the 'shine a light' areas of focus. As part of our commitment for a mid-term review, a composite progress review was presented to the ICT in April 2022, which demonstrated the breadth of partnership working and the positive impact on children and families.
- 2.4 Moving forward, we continue to be ambitious for the future and for our children and young people, and we have high expectations of ourselves as partners, working with children, families and communities, to improve outcomes across the place and neighbourhoods of North Lincolnshire.
- 2.5 The 2022 refresh rearticulates our ambition for children to be in their families, in their schools and in their communities. It also clarifies our amplified focus on developing an integrated children and families offer in order to create a system

that works for all children and families. Key to this will be the focus on integrating with schools as the primary partners, wider partners and the community to meet need at the earliest point, enabling sustainable change within families. The 2022 refresh also refines the 'shine a light' areas of focus, which are now focussed around:

- Emotional wellbeing and mental health
- Best start in life
- Adolescents and youth offer
- Outcomes for children and young people with vulnerabilities

2.6 There is also an amplified focus on aligning the 2022 refresh with the Place Partnership strategic intent and the associated Health and Care Integration Plan, which is in development. Conversations are ongoing to ensure the children's agenda is best represented in the integration plan; that it is reported into the Place Partnership; and that underpinning reporting through the ICT is aligned.

3 OPTIONS FOR CONSIDERATION

3.1 The Health and Wellbeing Board is asked to note and endorse the 2022 refresh of the North Lincolnshire Children's Commissioning Strategy.

4. ANALYSIS OF OPTIONS

4.1 There is evidence of the strength of partnership working to respond to the inaugural Children's Commissioning Strategy which is having a positive impact on the experiences of our children and families.

4.2 There is an ongoing commitment to listen, learn, review and adapt and the 2022 refresh takes account of the views and experiences of children and families, local needs and populations, national and local policy drivers and our transformation agenda. This places us in a strong position to further build on the collective strengths of our people and place to innovate and change through integration and system redesign.

4.3 The 2022 refresh has been developed in line with the rearticulation of the Health and Care Integration Plan and takes account of the agreed strategic intents.

4.4 The 2022 refresh includes how we respond to the challenges offered by our children and families, through the Children's Challenge, and how we safeguard and protect the most vulnerable through the 'Helping Children and Families in North Lincolnshire' document.

5. FINANCIAL AND OTHER RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS (e.g. LEGAL, HR, PROPERTY, IT, COMMUNICATIONS etc.)

5.1 There are no specific resource implications associated with this report, though it is acknowledged that there will be likely resource implications associated with the delivery of the strategy which will be considered in due course.

6. OTHER RELEVANT IMPLICATIONS (e.g. CRIME AND DISORDER, EQUALITIES, COUNCIL PLAN, ENVIRONMENTAL, RISK etc.)

6.1 The strategy sets out the high level ambition and intent for future development and shaping of the offer to children and families in the context of the relevant legal and regulatory requirements.

6.2 The strategy contributes to the priorities and outcomes articulated within the council plan.

7. OUTCOMES OF INTEGRATED IMPACT ASSESSMENT (IF APPLICABLE)

7.1 An Integrated Impact Assessment was completed for the original iteration of the Children's Commissioning Strategy 2020/24 and has been reviewed and refreshed to reflect the 2022 refresh. No adverse impacts were identified.

8. OUTCOMES OF CONSULTATION AND CONFLICTS OF INTERESTS DECLARED

8.1 The 2022 refresh has been developed in consultation with key stakeholders across the scope of the membership of the ICT and across the wider partnership.

8.2 The outcomes of consultation and engagement with children and families have helped to shape and influence the 2022 refresh.

8.3 There are no conflicts of interests to declare.

9. RECOMMENDATIONS

9.1 That the Health and Wellbeing Board notes and endorses the 2022 refresh of the North Lincolnshire Children's Commissioning Strategy 2020/24.

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Background Papers:

North Lincolnshire Children's Commissioning Strategy 2020/24 (2022 refresh)