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CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY PANEL TASK AND FINISH GROUP – CHILDREN’S EMOTIONAL WELLBEING AND MENTAL HEALTH

Date: Tuesday 11 and Wednesday 12 October 2011

Time: 10am

Venue: Council House (Next to Civic Centre)

Members:

Councillor Wildy, Chair

Councillor Stark, Vice Chair

Councillors Bowie, Mrs Bowyer, Delbridge and Tuohy.

Substitutes:

Any Member other than a Member of Cabinet may act as a substitute member provided that they do not have a personal and prejudicial interest in the matter under review. **However, once a review has commenced, substitutes are not permitted.**

Members are invited to attend the above meeting to consider the items of business overleaf.

Members and officers are requested to sign the attendance list at the meeting.

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AGENDA

PART I – PUBLIC MEETING

1. APOLOGIES

To receive apologies for non-attendance submitted by Panel Members.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members will be asked to make any declarations of interest in respect of items on this agenda.

3. CHILDREN'S EMOTIONAL WELLBEING AND MENTAL HEALTH:

- a. Project Initiation Document for Scrutiny **(Pages 1 - 2)**
- b. Review of background information
- c. Witnesses

4. SUMMARY AND REVIEW

The panel will have the opportunity to review the last two day’s findings.

5. EXEMPT BUSINESS

To consider passing a resolution under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 to exclude the press and public from the meeting for the following item(s) of business on the grounds that it (they) involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph(s) of Part I of Schedule 12A of the Act, as amended by the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

PART II (PRIVATE MEETING)

AGENDA

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO NOTE

that under the law, the Panel is entitled to consider certain items in private. Members of the public will be asked to leave the meeting when such items are discussed.

NIL.

REQUEST FOR SCRUTINY WORK PROGRAMME ITEM



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1	Title of Work Programme Item	Children's Emotional Wellbeing and Mental Health
2	Responsible Director (s)	Bronwen Lacey, Director of Services for Children and Young People
3	Responsible Officer Tel No.	Paul O'Sullivan, Director of Joint Commissioning
4	Relevant Cabinet Member(s)	Cabinet Member for Children and Young People and Cabinet Member for Health and Adult Social Care
5	Objectives	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Understand the prevalence of mental health needs among children and young people 2. Review the Children and Young People's Emotional Wellbeing and Mental Health strategy and developments.
6	Who will benefit?	Children and young people and their families will benefit from well designed and accessible services. PCC will be assured that partnership investment is appropriate and well used.
7	Criteria for Choosing Topics (see table at end of document)	Raised at panel meeting.
8	What will happen if we don't do this review?	This review was triggered by concerns raised by young people about the quality and accessibility of the service. If we don't carry out the review children and young people may continue to lack understanding of what is available and how to access appropriate services.
9	What are we going to do?	Background evidence, witnesses and review of key strategies
10	How are we going to do it? (witnesses, site visits, background information etc.)	As above

11	What we won't do.	This will be a general overview and will not focus on particular conditions.
12	Timetable & Key Dates	Task and finish group to take place over 2 days in October. 11 and 12 October 2011.
13	Links to other projects or initiatives / plans	Children and Young People's Plan. Plymouth2020 and Corporate Priority - Reduce inequalities.
14	Relevant Overview and Scrutiny Panel / Membership if Task and Finish Group (to be decided by OSP before submission to OMB)	Children and Young People's Overview & Scrutiny Panel
15	Where will the report go? Who will make the final decision	Overview and Scrutiny Management Board on 2 or 16 November 2011 and Cabinet.
16	Resources (staffing, research, experts, sites visits and so on)	Lead Officer and Democratic Support Officer.
17	Is this part of a statutory responsibility on the panel?	No
18	Should any other panel be involved in this review? If so who and why?	Health and Adult Social Care Overview and Scrutiny Management Board.
19	Will the task and finish group benefit from co-opting any person(s) onto the panel.	Liz Cahill, Commissioning Officer, Services for Children and Young People Emily Carter, Member of Youth Parliament Kerry Whittlesea, CYP OSP Young Person Representative
20	How does this link to corporate priorities?	Improving emotional wellbeing and mental health will have a direct impact on the confidence, aspirations and achievement of children and young people (Raising Aspiration, Reducing inequalities). Reviewing this area will highlight opportunities for continuous improvement (Value for Communities).

Criteria for review

(Items would be expected to meet at least two of the following criteria)

- Corporate priority area
- Poor performing service (evidence from PIs, benchmarking or where high levels of dissatisfaction from customers are recorded)
- High budgetary commitment
- Pattern of not reaching budget targets
- Issue raised by external audit, management letter, inspection report
- New government guidance or legislation
- Issue consistently identified by Members as key through constituency activity
- Public interest issue covered in local media