

## **Lancashire Children's Services Improvement Board**

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**Minutes of the Meeting held on Tuesday, 19th June, 2018 at 1.15 pm in Committee Room 'C' (The Duke of Lancaster Room) - County Hall, Preston**

### **Present:**

Peter Dwyer (Chairman)	Independent Chairman
County Councillor Geoff Driver CBE	Lancashire County Council
County Councillor Mrs Susie Charles	Lancashire County Council
County Councillor Phillippa Williamson	Lancashire County Council
Alison Aylott	Primary Schools
Jane Booth	Lancashire Safeguarding Children's Board
Paul Wilcox	Voluntary Community Faith Sector
Stephen Cox	Secondary Schools
Bridgett Welch	Lancashire Care Foundation Trust
Debbie Duffell	Lancashire County Council
Louise Burton	NHS Safeguarding
Stephen Belbin	Lancashire County Council
Angie Ridgwell	Lancashire County Council
John Readman	Lancashire County Council
Barbara Bath	Lancashire County Council
Dave Carr	Lancashire County Council
Andy Milroy (Clerk)	Lancashire County Council

### **Apologies:**

Simon Fisher	Lancashire County Council
Hazel Gregory	Blackpool Teaching Hospitals Foundation Trust
Sally Allen	Lancashire County Council
Grant Murdoch	Lancashire County Council
Dr Sakthi Karunanithi	Lancashire County Council

### **1. Welcome and Introductions**

The Chairman, Peter Dwyer, welcomed all to the meeting. Round table introductions were made. Apologies for absence were noted as above.

### **2. Minutes of the last meeting**

The minutes of the last meeting held on 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2018 were approved as an accurate record.

### **2. Action Tracker Review**

**Action 21 – Care Leavers Offer** – John Readman, Executive Director of Education and Children's Services, Lancashire County Council, confirmed this was due to go live nationally in October 2018 and that Lancashire County Council will ensure their Care

Leavers Offer is published in advance of October 2018. In addition it was confirmed that a refreshed Corporate Parenting Strategy would go to the County Council's Cabinet for approval in September 2018.

**Action 22 – MASH Monitoring Visit and Letter** – It was confirmed that this item is ongoing.

### **3. DCS Update**

John Readman circulated the Performance report for May 2018 which was noted by the Board as presented. The Board was provided with an update on the Ofsted Inspection which had reached its second week. In addition to the update a timeline was discussed on when the outcome of the Ofsted Inspection would be known.

**Resolved:** That

- (i) the Performance Report for May 2018 be noted
- (ii) That the Ofsted Inspection update be noted with further updates to be provided at future Board meetings on the outcome of the inspection.

### **4. Overarching Partnership Priorities**

Dave Carr, Head of Service, Policy, Information and Commissioning, Lancashire County Council, presented a report (circulated) regarding establishing overarching partnership priorities for children, young people and their families.

The Board was presented with information and statistics regarding Antenatal, Birth and Early Years in addition to Primary and Secondary Years and Young People per 100 children.

It was noted that partnership priorities for children, young people and families have been guided by a number of key plans / strategies including:

- Children and Young People's Plan 2014 – 2017
- Children's Services Improvement Plan 2015 and 2017
- Lancashire Safeguarding Children Board Priorities 2016 – 2018 (Plus a recently produced 2018/19 version)
- Health and Wellbeing Strategy – Refreshed November 2017
- SEND Written Statement of Action April 2018
- Lancashire Ambition: School Improvement, Learning and Skills 2017

In terms of progress to date it was noted that reviews had taken place of over 20 strategies and plans – both Partnership documents and Lancashire County Council's Children's Services. Data has been reviewed from Lancashire Insights. A broad list of priorities for stakeholder discussed has been established and some information discussions regarding Partnership Governance Arrangements have taken place.

It was noted that there is work to do on reducing the number of Plans and Strategies and further work will be undertaken to create a vision of the future with priorities over the next 10 years.

**Resolved:** That the report regarding overarching partnership priorities for children, young people and their families be noted.

## **5. Leadership Values and Approach**

The Chairman, Peter Dwyer, presented a report (circulated) regarding Building Collaborative Leadership.

It was noted that at the previous meeting the Board reflected on a series of leadership statements and took the opportunity to debate and rank the elements.

Following this the Lancashire Leadership Pledge was presented at Annex 1 for approval by the Board. It was noted that the Leadership Pledge was essential not only to the further success of partnership working of whatever form in Lancashire but because it models a leadership culture and expectation for all staff within all individual organisations.

**Resolved:** That the Lancashire Leadership Pledge as presented be approved, that Board Members actively promote the Pledge and that the Pledge be added to Board agenda papers each time they are circulated.

## **6. Any other business**

None

## **7. Future Meetings**

Considered under Date and Time of Next Meeting.

## **8. Date and Time of Next Meeting**

It was noted that the next Board meeting was scheduled to be held on Wednesday 18 July 2018 at 1.15pm in Committee Room 'C', County Hall, Preston.

In addition it was noted that the August 2018 Board meeting had been cancelled.