**Corporate Parenting Board Workshop: Partnership Priorities**

**Held: 22.07.2021 - Notes and Outcomes**

**PLACEMENTS AND PROVISIONS (Objective 5 of the Corporate Parenting Strategy)**

WHAT CAN BE DONE

* Consultation with children and young people about what type of accommodation they want to live in and where
* Improve partnership working with housing leads in district councils
* Training for corporate parents and relevant partners to improve partnership working and offer
* Improve our communication strategy with partners and celebrate positive achievements of looked after children and care leavers better to challenge and overcome the negative stereotypes
* Elected members challenge stereotypes at district level (councils and providers)
* For everyone to raise ambitions for children in care and leaving care
* Develop a champion model at the Corporate Parenting Board
* Elected members advocate on behalf of care leavers with developers
* Sponsor accommodation

WHAT INFORMATION IS NEEDED

* District based information
  + Demand
  + Placement and housing provisions
  + District housing managers to present their offer to the Corporate Parenting Board
  + Number of CLA/CL
  + Community and leisure provisions
  + Proximity of young people living independently to their support network (e.g. family/friends and former carers)
* What are good standards for placements and accommodation (e.g. foster placement, residential, supported accommodation)
* Child/Young Person perspective and carers perspective on placement breakdowns
* Reason for the chosen placement provisions (meeting needs vs availability)
* What is the quality assurance process for supported accommodation and what is the criteria for 'suitable accommodation'
* Provide update to the Corporate Parenting Board twice a year

**EMOTIONAL WELLBEING AND MENTAL HEALTH (Objective 6 of the Corporate Parenting Strategy)**

WHAT CAN BE DONE

* Promote/embed the THRIVE model
* Promote/embed Trauma Informed Practice (TIP)
* Improve how young people are spoken and written about
* Develop a 'single door' approach for early access to support
* Improve diagnosis and intervention
* Develop a health and wellbeing directory of services available
* Identify community services that are not wellbeing services but provide emotional wellbeing support
* Identify support that addresses loss and social skills
* Identify support that counters feelings of low self-worth due to long waiting lists
* Update the Local Offer to include
  + Self-referral options/information
  + Split between physical and mental health information
  + Add the THRIVE model
  + Function to allow young people to provide feedback/rate services anonymously
* Mandatory mental health training for social workers and personal advisors
* Strengthen the presence of the Permanence Service at the Lancashire and South Cumbria Health and Care Partnership
* Elected members of the Corporate Parenting Board to strengthen the link with Lancashire's Health and Wellbeing Board
* Young People's involvement with the review of the Health Strategy (NHS)
* Set up a network event with all health and wellbeing services to learn from each other
* Improve young people's perception of health services (as they can be reluctant to accept support; e.g. utilise peer support which helps showing outcomes)
* Develop 'Going Forward' plans for the next 12 months in the context of Covid
* Gain clarity re Covid vaccinations for young people in care 16+ (in particular in the context of shared Parental Responsibility)

WHAT INFORMATION IS NEEDED

* Information on health outcomes that also includes information on the how well young people are doing in the context of their emotional wellbeing/mental health needs
* Information on the take up of services and the effectiveness of services
* Overview of provisions available to help identifying gaps (incl. gaps in early intervention)
* General Health Data
* Young People consultation on what information to collate on the impact of Covid to enable an understanding of what is important and are the priorities for young people during a pandemic (enables current and future learning)
* Data and information provided to the Corporate Parenting Board to focus on what has changed
* Data and information to be shared at the beginning of the meeting to allow sufficient time to evaluate, understand and scrutinise

**SAFEGUARDING (Objective 8 of the Corporate Parenting Strategy)**

WHAT CAN BE DONE

* Strengthen the presence of the Permanence Service within Lancashire Violence Reduction Network (Divert, Trauma Informed Practice, Data)
* Embed Trauma Informed Practice across services to better understand how to support and safeguarding young people
* Improve the language used when speaking about vulnerable young people and young people at risk to acknowledge they are victims
* Improve how we make young people aware of the support available to them
* Promote restorative justice instead of criminal justice
* Improve safeguarding partnerships in adulthood/links with Adult Safeguarding
* Ensure strong links with the Community Safety Partnership
* Utilise services and resources from the Children's Safeguarding Assurance Partnership (CSAP)
* Develop an overview of services available (incl. routes in and out of support) for professionals and young people
* Promote preventative actions and pathways of early support
  + Focus on young people not in education and with education health care plans
  + Explore offers of Targeted Youth Support
  + Utilise NYAS effectively (empower young people of feeling in control; learn from themes identified)
  + Support young people to access preventative support
  + Ensure preventative support is something to look forward to, is of value to the young person, gives opportunities to engage with other young people
  + Support young people to re-engage with education, employment, training

WHAT INFORMATION IS NEEDED

* Overview of services available
* Data and information to be provided in a themed and comprised form jointly from multiple services and sources instead of separate data from separated sources and services
* Information on the journey of young people and outcomes

**EDUCATION, EMPLOYMENT, TRAINING (Objective 4 of the Corporate Parenting Strategy)**

*Notes and outcomes are not yet available due to sickness and leave since the last corporate parenting board and will be circulated at the earliest opportunity.*