

<p>CABINET MEETING – February 2010</p> <p>EXECUTIVE SUMMARY SHEET – PART I</p>	
<p>Title of Report: Children and Young People’s Plan (CYPP) 2010-25</p>	
<p>Author(s): Executive Director of Children’s Services</p>	
<p>Purpose of Report: To present Cabinet Members with a Consultation Draft of the Children and Young People’s Plan (CYPP) 2010-25 Strategy and 3 year Delivery Plan 2010-13 as set down in Article 4 of the Council’s Constitution.</p>	
<p>Description of Decision: To seek approval to the Consultation Draft of the CYPP 2010-2025 Strategy CYPP three year delivery plan 2010-13 and to canvas the views of members prior to presentation of the final CYPP to be presented to Council for ratification in March 2010.</p>	
<p>Is the decision consistent with the Budget/Policy Framework? Yes</p>	
<p>If not, Council approval is required to change the Budget/Policy Framework</p>	
<p>Suggested reason(s) for Decision: The CYPP is an Article 4 plan under the Constitution of the Council and is the primary document for the Children’s Trust partnership to set out how it will deliver priorities to deliver better outcomes for children, young people and their families.</p>	
<p>Alternative options to be considered and recommended to be rejected: The alternative option is not to produce a CYPP. This would result in a breach of the Council’s Constitution and have a negative impact on outcomes for children, young people and their families.</p>	
<p>Is this a “Key Decision” as defined in the Constitution? Yes</p>	<p>Relevant Scrutiny Committee: Children, Young People and Learning</p>
<p>Is it included in the Forward Plan? Yes</p>	

CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE'S PLAN 2010-25**Report of Director of Children's Services****1. Purpose of the Report**

- 1.1 To present Cabinet Members with a Consultation Draft of the Children and Young People's Plan (CYPP) 2010/2025 Strategy and 3 year Delivery Plan 2010-2013.

2. Description of Decision

- 2.1 To seek approval to the Consultation Draft of the CYPP 2010-25 and to canvass the views of members prior to presentation of the final CYPP to be presented to Council for ratification in March 2010.

3. Introduction/Background

- 3.1 The Children and Young People's Plan continues to be the key document that covers, in one place, all services for young people and families within a single strategic and overarching vision for the local area.
- 3.2 Children's Trust partners are closely involved in its development and should ensure their own plans are fully aligned with it. The Children's Trust signs off the CYPP, ensures that it is published, refreshed, evaluated and reviewed. The CYPP both drives the operating plans which underpin it and reflects and informs the overarching plan – the Sunderland Strategy - of which it should be a part.
- 3.3 The Apprenticeships, Skills, Children and Learning Act 2009 quickly followed statutory guidance issued in November 2008 and January 2009 setting out the Government's direction for strengthening Children's Trusts' governance and CYPP arrangements.

The Act facilitates greater partnership ownership of the CYPP by legislating to place the duty from April 2011 on the Children's Trust Board to produce, publish and monitor the CYPP. The jointly-owned CYPP will reflect shared priorities in, for example, PCT commissioning plans and Local Area Agreements to address the needs of children and young people, including the most vulnerable and those with additional needs, and seek to ensure that services are designed around those needs.

It is important that the Children's Trust is accountable for its actions to the local community, including children and families and front line providers.

The local authority must set out in the CYPP what the Children's Trust intends to do to improve outcomes for local children and families.

4. Current Position

- 4.1 The CYPP 2010-25 is the Children's Trust's 15 year strategy, setting out the vision and strategy of the Children's Trust to show what success will look like in 2025 in improving outcomes for all children and narrowing the gap in outcomes for our more vulnerable groups.
- 4.2 The CYPP:
- Provides an overview of Sunderland Children's Trust and it's priorities for the city
 - Sets out the national context of the CYPP and how we, in Sunderland will monitor and evaluate our local CYPP
 - Demonstrates how all partners in the city will work towards the Children's Trust's priorities
 - Strengthens the alignment between the CYPP, Sunderland Strategy and Local Area Agreement, setting out the lines of accountability held by the Sunderland Partnership with those by the Children's Trust
- 4.3 As a strategy for the future, it recognizes both the strengths and the areas for improvement in the capacity, skills and competence within Children's Trust's arrangements to deliver better outcomes.
- 4.4 This CYPP 2010-25 sets out the strategic direction for the Children's Trust and how it is going to work to achieve improvements. The strategy is underpinned by a series of 3 year plans which will be delivered through partnerships aligned to the Children's Trust and the Sunderland Partnership, which will set out clear plans for commissioning each priority outcome.
- 4.5 The Children's Trust has applied its commissioning process in developing this strategy. In November 2008, the Children's Trust conference engaged partners and stakeholders in the planning for the CYPP 2025 Strategy.
- 4.6 A number of documents have been prepared that contribute towards this process and the development of the CYPP 2010-25.
- **Annual Report 2009** – reports on the achievements and progress that has been made against each of the priorities and actions within the CYPP 2007-09 and identifies any outstanding areas of work.
 - **The CYPP 2009/10** – is an extension of the CYPP 2007-09. It was prepared as part of the process of publishing the Annual Report 2009 and preparing for the Children's Trust's assessment of need.
 - **The Needs Assessment 2009** sets out the details of a comprehensive analysis of need and was prepared during January to September 2009. The needs assessment was drawn up looking at a range of qualitative and quantitative information
- 4.7 Once the needs assessment was prepared the commissioning process allowed the Children's Trust to:

- **Set priority outcome areas**
- **Develop the CYPP 2010-25**
- **Develop the three year delivery plan 2010-13** – this document sets out specific actions that demonstrate how partnerships are working towards improving each priority outcome areas. During October and November 2009 commissioning leads and key contacts were engaged in preparing the information that feeds into the three year delivery plan.

4.8 The CYPP 2010-25 Strategy sets out the vision, values and principles of the Children's Trust, the key aims and milestones, how the Children's Trust will be accountable for delivering the strategy, monitoring and evaluation arrangements as well as information around resources and finance.

4.9 The CYPP three year delivery plan 2010-13 provides information about each of the priority outcomes, identifying the lead partnership, what is currently happening and what plans are in place to improve outcomes, as well as information on performance and resources. The identified priority outcomes relate to:

- Improving outcomes for those living in poverty and reducing child poverty
- Safeguarding children and young people in Sunderland
- Reducing levels of childhood obesity
- Reducing levels of teenage pregnancy
- Improving children and young people's emotional and mental health
- The impact of domestic violence on children and young people
- Reducing levels of bullying
- Reducing levels of crime committed by children and young people and reducing children and young people's fear of crime
- Improving attainment at school and narrowing the gap for those groups of children who do not do as well as their peers
- Having locally accessible and affordable fun play and physical activities
- Reducing levels of offending
- Reducing levels of anti-social behaviour
- Improving the public perception of young people
- Increasing the proportion of young people in education, employment and training
- Improving transport
- Improving the environment
- Improving outcomes for vulnerable groups, including those with learning difficulties and/or disabilities, children in care, children in need and in need of protection, those from black and minority ethnic groups.

5. Timescales

January 2010 – March 2010 **Formal consultation period for the article 4 plan. This includes Cabinet, Scrutiny Committee and Council**

- 03.02.10 Cabinet consideration of the draft CYPP
- 11.02.10 Children, Young People & Learning Scrutiny Committee consideration
- 10.03.10 Cabinet approval of final draft
- 31.03.10 Council approval

01.04.10 **Launch of CYPP 2010-25**

6. Reasons for the Decision

The CYPP is an Article 4 Plan under the Constitution of the Council and is the primary document for the Children's Trust partnership to set out how they will deliver priorities to ensure better outcomes for children, young people and their families.

6. Alternative Options

An alternative option would be not to produce the CYPP. This would result in a breach of the Council's Constitution and have a negative impact on outcomes for children, young people and their families.

7. Relevant Considerations/Consultations

Throughout the process the Children's Trust has informed and engaged some key stakeholder groups.

- Partners - workshops to reassess Children's Trust arrangements and to consider priorities emerging from the Needs Assessment.
- Members – two drop-in events have been held (in June and November 2009) for all Members.
- Schools – regular letters have been sent to schools to inform them of the work of the Children's Trust in developing the CYPP 2010-25.
- Consultation with the Children, Young People and the Learning Scrutiny Committee Consultation Group

Links have been made with the Sunderland Strategy and its related strategies and thematic partnerships, as well as the Local Area Agreement and National Indicator Set.

8. List of Appendices

Children and Young People's Plan 2010-25 Strategy and 3 year Delivery Plan

9. Background Papers

Children and Young People's Plan 2009-10

Statutory Guidance on Inter Agency Cooperation November 2008

Children and Young People's Plan Guidance 2009

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