

KIRKLEES HEALTH & WELLBEING BOARD	
MEETING DATE:	24th November 2019
TITLE OF PAPER:	Kirklees Draft SEND Improvement Plan (For consultation)
1. Purpose of paper	<p>To highlight to the Board the draft Improvement Plan being developed for the SEND provision and services across Kirklees.</p>
2. Background	<p>There are a number of drivers to developing this improvement plan. In 2019 the partnership received valuable feedback from a Peer Review of aspects of the SEND functions in Kirklees. It also commissioned a report to assess its ambitions and plans for Children and Young People with SEND and High Needs in Kirklees. The improvement plans brings together the recommendations from both of these sources within the scope of one improvement plan.</p> <p>The Ofsted/CQC Inspection of our SEND activities focusing on the identification of need, provision of services and the impact and outcomes is well overdue and could take place with a week's notice. "A Written Statement of Action" is a potential negative outcome from such an Inspection. As well as damaging reputationally, it will publicly highlight deficiencies in our service provision. Following a number of recent management changes and new appointments it is appropriate to assess the current strategy, the local offer and the impact of ours services against this framework to identify priority areas. The Improvement Plan will help to capture emerging themes from this.</p> <p>The focus of SEND activities and partnership is to strengthen our co-production values and ensure that there is real engagement with all partners, stakeholders, families and young people. The Improvement Plan will provide an opportunity to develop a shared approach to improvement.</p> <p>A Self-Assessment of our SEND services is being drafted and the action plan will both influence this and be incorporated into actions and prioritisations arising from this.</p> <p>This draft has been produced by the lead officers from Health, Education and Social Care in the SEND work. The initial focus of Improvement Plan is more short-term, quick wins and there will be ongoing iterations of the plan with further actions as these initial priorities are achieved and delivered.</p>
3. Proposal	<p>For the Board to receive the draft plan and confirm the approach as well identifying/amending priority actions</p>
4. Financial Implications	<p>The attached Improvement Plan helps identify a number of activities that need to be undertaken to take forward our SEND work and agenda. It is important that Health and Well-being Board partners prioritise these ensuring that both financial and other resources are available.</p>
5. Sign off	

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6. Next Steps

It is the intention to circulate the proposal to key partners and work with representative groups to ensure the identified priorities are shared across the partnership. This will include representatives of service users such as PCAN

7. Recommendations

The Board note the content of the Improvement Plan and confirm/identify priority areas as part of the consultation process.

8. Contact Officer

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