

TRUST BOARD

Title: KEY ISSUES AND ESCALATION POINTS
Name of Committee: JOINT CHILDREN'S PARTNERSHIP BOARD – CCS/CPFT
Committee Chairs: Anna Gill and Brian McCarthy
Date: 17th January 2023

Summary of key messages:

The Joint Children's Partnership Board (CCS/CPFT) met on Tuesday 17th January 2023. Substantial assurance can be taken from the information presented to the Board from reports and updates, as follows:

Healthy Child Programme (HCP):

- Activity to address the performance of the 5 mandated reviews in the 0-5 pathway continues to be a priority.
- Progress to reduce the previously agreed stretched targets for the new birth contact and 6–8-week review continues.
- The performance of the 2.5-year reviews was progressing well. Requirements for Quarter 1 and Quarter 2 up to 59% have been met. The expectation was that the performance was improved further during Quarter 3 to meet the 65% target. Early indications suggested this was on track to be achieved.
- Young parent pathway team were fully recruited and had improved notification pathways between Midwifery, HCP and the voluntary sector.
- There was significant improvement and transformation work around clinical pathways.
- 5-19 Pathway re-design - successful recruitment has taken place to the revised skill mix model with all vacant Band 5 staff nurse posts now filled.
- There is currently an ongoing dignity at work investigation in the Peterborough locality. Issues have been raised by two students and the allegations raised relate to racial discrimination.
- The substantive Children's Community Nursing (CCN) post in Peterborough has identified a cost pressure.
- Received an update on annual digital health questionnaire for children and families getting ready for change, at key stages (Reception, Year 6, Year 9 and Year 11) on transition work relating to a digital innovation project (HCP)
- A managers/ leaders Best Start in Life event to celebrate the collaborative work took place in November 2022 and was very well attended across the partnership.
- Reviewed the Terms of Reference for the Partnership Board to ensure they were still fit for purpose.

YOUnited:

- Positive feedback from a Learning Event held in September 2022 to understand challenges and successes.

Contracting:

The joint venture has two core documents:

- 1) Section 75 Agreement between CCS, CPFT and the County Council, which runs from October 2019 to March 2024 and has a one off 12-month Commissioners extension option available; and
- 2) Joint Venture Contract, which is a 5-year document which binds CPFT and CCS together and runs until March 2024 before automatically expiring.

The Board are currently waiting for Commissioner decision around the 12-month extension, and then following this, a decision will be taken as to what happens thereafter.

Emerging Risks:

- 1) Staffing challenges and vacant posts.

2) Unknown clarity on contracting going forwards.

Points of Escalation to Sovereign Boards:

None.