

Southend-on-Sea Borough Council

Report of Deputy Chief Executive (People)

to

Cabinet

on

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Transformation

**Agenda
Item No.**

Success for All Children Group Annual Report & Children and Young People's Plan

**People Scrutiny Committee
Cabinet Member: Cllr Helen Boyd**

A Part 1 Public Agenda Item

1. Purpose of Report

- 1.1 To present a draft of the Success for All Children Group's Annual Report April 2017 – March 2018.
- 1.2 To present a draft of the Success for All Children Group's Children and Young People Plan

2. Recommendation

- 2.1 That Cabinet notes the report.

3. Background

- 3.1 The Success for All Children Group (SFAC group) publishes an annual report as part of their performance management and planning cycle and to inform Cabinet, the public and partner agencies of the progress made in delivering the overarching objectives for children's services across the partnership during April 2017-2018.
- 3.2 A Children and Young People's Plan (CYPP) accompanies the annual report. The plan includes the overarching aims of the Council and partners which were agreed by SFAC Group.
- 3.3 The annual report is presented in a different format to previous years. It now aligns with the annual report of the Council. As such it is more accessible to the public than previous years' annual reports and more clearly presents information on the activity that was undertaken during the course of the year and the impact the work of the Council and partners has made.
- 3.4 The CYPP has been drafted with partners and takes account of the strategic plans for each agency. It aligns with the multi-agency, and single agency, improvement plans developed following regulatory inspections

3.5 The CYPP will undergo a further revision when we receive the outcome of the Ofsted inspection of SEND. It will also be revised to ensure it takes accounts of the findings of the Southend 2050 engagement work.

4. Corporate Implications

4.1 Contribution to Council's Vision & Corporate Priorities

The delivery of the Children and Young People's Plan and the work of the Success for All Children Group contribute to six of the 15 Southend Borough Council priorities. As the priorities are refined, relating to the Southend 2050 programme, we will ensure that the CYPP is revised to ensure it continues to contribute to the Council's priorities:

- Look after and safeguard our children and vulnerable adults
- Work in partnership with Essex Police and other agencies to tackle crime
- Actively promote healthy and active lifestyles for all
- Improve the life chances of our residents, especially our vulnerable children and adults, by working to reduce inequalities and social deprivation across our communities
- Ensure residents have access to high quality education to enable them to be lifelong learners and have fulfilling employment
- Work with and listen to our communities and partners to achieve better outcomes for all

4.2 Financial Implications

The Children and Young People's plan is delivered within the resources available for children's services within the Council and in partner agencies.

4.3 Legal Implications

None.

4.4 People Implications

None.

4.5 Property Implications

None.

4.6 Consultation

The Children and Young People's plan was devised through discussion and consultation with the agencies and organisations which constitute the Success for All Group. All partners have been consulted in the development of the annual report.

4.7 Equalities and Diversity Implications

The Children and Young People's plan helps to promote equalities by focussing on improving outcomes for all children and young people and narrowing the gap between those who do well and those who do not.

4.8 Risk Assessment

None.

- 4.9 Value for Money
Agreeing key priorities and actions as part of the planning process ensures that resources available are targeted at those areas needing most improvement.
- 4.10 Community Safety Implications
The Children and Young People's Plan includes delivery of a number of strategies and planned actions for keeping children and young people safe, for example, from abuse and exploitation, bullying and tackling substance misuse.
- 4.11 Environmental Impact
None.
- 5. Background Papers**
None.
- 6. Appendices**
- 6.1 Appendix 1 - Success for All Children Group Annual Report April 2017 – March 2018
- 6.2 Appendix 2 - Children and Young People's Plan