





Success for All Children Group **Annual Report** For the period **April 2017 - March 2018** 



September 2018

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# Introduction

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As a partnership it is clear to see we are having a positive impact and making a difference to the lives of many of Southend's children. Our children and young people continue to achieve great things with the support of their families and it is our role to support them to do so. This is what drives me as Director of Children's Services and chair of the Success for all Children Group.



# I am pleased to present the 2017/18 Success for All Children Group Annual Report.

The work of our Youth Council this year has been of significance. For example I can see that the mental health survey and report they lead is now having a direct impact on the shape of services in Southend following the session they facilitated with the members of our Health and Wellbeing Board.

I am particularly pleased to see the impact that is taking place when we work together. The feedback from Ofsted, HMICFRS, HMP and CQC during the joint targeted area inspection in March 2018 is a good example of how well we can keep children safe when we work together.

During 2018/19 we will continue to work together and improve services so that all children will succeed. We will be refining our plans when we receive the feedback from Southend 2050 in the autumn. We will be in the privileged position to be able to pay particular attention to what children and young people are telling us about what Southend must be, and feel, like in 2050. We will work together to focus on safeguarding the most vulnerable, narrowing achievement gaps, supporting programmes which are closely linked to the communities they serve and ensuring developments are co-produced with our communities.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who has contributed to supporting and challenging our children in Southend to succeed.



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# 2017/18 Timeline of achievements

The Southend Education Board was highly commended in the 2017 MJ Awards for 'Excellence in Governance and Scrutiny'

Summer programme to support children in Southend Primary Schools to attend our **Grammar Schools** 

Southend Council's Early Help, Family Support and Youth Offending Service won a silver-gilt medal for their 'By the Sea' garden at

the Hampton Court Flower Show in created with young offenders. July 2017

> Letter received from Minister of State for Children and Families acknowledging the continued improvement in adoption outcomes

Years Team won the '30 Hours Team of the Year' Award at the Childcare Works Awards in recognition of their work to maximise funding for children and their families.

Southend Early

Southend Council and Metal Arts Organisation's NetPark wellbeing project was highly commended in the Advancing Healthcare Awards for 'innovation in mental health'

The Future



GCSE results show that Southend's students made significantly more progress from KS2 that the national average

A-Level results show further improvements, the proportion of students achieving A\*AB or better and Southend is ranked in the top 10 local authorities for all measures

September 2017

Roll out of

Restorative

in Children's

Services

**August** 

2017



Sailing trip

organised by the

Virtual School

for looked after

children

November 2017

Paediatrics

Agreement to

commission NELCSU

to support the review

of Community



March

2018

All SEN

statements have

been converted to

**ECHPs** 



Senior leaders within Southend-on-Sea **Borough Council** make a Council wide commitment to Restorative

Practice

Practice begins

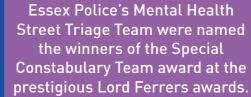
12 Southend schools gained Enhanced Healthy Schools status. Youth Council attend Houses of Parliament event hosted by the Royal College of Paediatrics in recognition of their mental health campaign

Multi-Agency Safeguarding Hub+ goes live

Joint Targeted Area

Inspection of Child

Sexual Exploitation



Health and Police co-locate with the Social Care front door

December

2017







# What difference have we made:

98%

of PVI early years settings are 'good' or 'outstanding'



96%

of 3 and 4 year olds in free child care places attend 'good' or 'outstanding' provision



**78%** 

of students at KS1 reached expected standard in reading



96%

of young people
engaging with Team YP show
significant progress against child
in need metrics

92.4%

of children with child protection plans visited in line with their plans in March

250

families successfully completed the Child Weight Management Programme



70.9%

of pupils achieve A\*-C and 9-4 at GCSE



92%

of referrals to social care have a decision made within one day in March Southend youth re-offending rate is

against a national rate of 42%



16th

out of 152 local authorities in Attainment 8

100%

of SEN statements converted to Education Health Care Plans



8th

out of 152 local authorities in students achieving three or more A\* - A at KS5



**30%** 

of families with under 5s require additional support from the healthy child programme



100%

of EHCP are now completed within 20 weeks against a national comparison of 55.7%



**Top 25%** 

of local authorities for attainment at KS2 across all measures and above the national average in all measures



86%

of students at KS1 reached expected standard in science



88%

of statutory social work cases audited in March 2018 are 'Requires Improvement' or better



**97**%

of children referred to the Fair Access Panel are placed in education within 20 days **73**%

of eligible two year olds access free child care



# A year in numbers:

1,300 Children in Need in March 2018

10,456
children registered
with the health
visiting service

28,714 5-16 year olds open to the School

Nursing service



3,458
children worked with Troubled
Families Programme

families on the Family Nurse Partnership caseload



homeless young people receive support and accommodation from Southend YMCA

Family Group Conferences held between January and March new children and pregnant women receive ABSS services



Children's Services staff trained in Restorative Practice



children and pregnant women engage in 'Let's Talk' activities with ABSS



young people seen by SHORE (sexual health services)



1,737
children respond
to Youth Council
mental health
survey



11–18 year olds took part in the Make your Mark 2017 UK Youth Parliament ballot



children, including children in care, attending Team YP

25–30
school governors attend each training session offered

786
young people
receive
truancy
visits

parents who have children previously adopted supported by the RISE pilot project





## The Future

The Success for All Children Group is a strategic partnership group made up of the following members; Southend Clinical Commissioning Group, A Better Start Southend, Primary, Secondary and Special Schools, Southend School Governors, Essex Police, Southend University Hospital Trust, EPUT, Southend-on-Sea Borough Council Department for People (Children's Services, Learning Services, Public Health, Integrated Commissioning) Third Sector (YMCA), Family Action, Southend Youth Council.

Our future plan focuses on the following overarching themes which have been identified by listening to children and families and in discussion across the partnership. It incorporates our learning from the findings of regulatory inspections:

- Children and Families are supported to have the best start in life
- Children and Families are at the heart of all we do
- Children and Young People are safe
- The health of Children and Young People improves
- Children are supported to be ambitious and exceed their goals

During 2018 the Council is asking local partners and residents, including children and young people what they want Southend-on-Sea to be like in the future. We will be creating a shared vision for the future of Southend which will help to shape the priorities the Success for All Children Group focus on in the years ahead.



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