

Children and Young People's Action Plan 2013 – 2016

Highlights from the 1st Progress Report:
December 2013

Priority 1: We will ensure children have the best start in life

91 schools(76%) now have a 'Food in schools Policy' which incorporates all food provision including packed lunches

The new joint 2 year old Health and Education Review (Integrated joint Health/Education assessment) has been successfully piloted at Aughton Early Years children centre and is in the process of being rolled out to all children's centres in Rotherham in 2014

81 established breastfeeding friendly public places and 65 active breast buddies in Rotherham

Launch of the antenatal pathway on the 16th September with parents now being offered pre birth and new birth visits

The Childhood and adolescent vaccination programme continues to maintain above 90% coverage for all the childhood vaccinations with a slight variation for MMR which in the second quarter achieved 89.9%.

Implementation of the maternity tariff in March 2013 which increases the link between payment and quality of care

Capital funding has been awarded to 10 providers to create 359 new 2 year old places in areas of need

The Family Information Service now shares information on eligible children with Children's Centres so 1:1 support can be provided to support parents to take up their entitlement where needed

Good performance in NCMP (National Child Measurement Programme) for reception year children, where Rotherham has made significant progress in reducing the number of children who are overweight or obese. Progress at year 6 continues to improve with Rotherham now achieving the England average

Increase access to counselling through provision of drop-in sessions including self-referral for secondary school students and sustained delivery of 1:1 mental health support and counselling by Rotherham & Barnsley Mind in Rotherham Schools, including primaries

Intensive support interventions, including the Family Nurse Partnership and the GROW teenage pregnancy service, work to prevent second pregnancies by educating, supporting and advising teen families

Priority 2: We will engage with parents and families

A performance management framework for Early Help has been developed and endorsed by the TFSG and the LSCB.

The updated family CAF now includes the requirement for CYPS to systematically screen for drug and alcohol use making referrals and asking for specialist help at the earliest possible stage

The women's group with crèche facility continues to run at the Clearways premises weekly and provides a one stop shop for women with young children/who are pregnant. Recent activities include:

- First aid training and a visit from fire safety officers
- Advice around stopping smoking with the smoking cessation service due to visit the group
- Table top sale and Christmas party for the women and children (with visit and present from Father Christmas). The money raised from the sale will be used for a day trip out in spring 2014
- Access to the medical, nursing and midwifery services

Young Carer's card launched September 2013

An Early Help Support Panel to provide a point of escalation for "stuck" families has now being established will be reviewed on a 6 monthly basis

- 8 schools and settings are currently championing the Charter
- 22 schools and settings are working through the full process
- 41 schools and settings are either working through the full process, have expressed an interest/requested consultations, have made a commitment to beginning the full process at some stage in the future or have declared their commitment to the principles

The funky monkey café continues to be used by service users who attend with children in their care.

A recent move to new premises has being received positively by attendees and the group already appear to feel more ownership and control of the café.

With RDaSH support and that of partner agencies, including Lifeline, the group is moving closer to being genuine service user led which would support more family orientated sessions

Priority 3: We will reduce the harm to children and young people who are exposed to domestic abuse, alcohol/substance misuse and neglect

Agreement has been made that the FCAF will be amended to reflect separate reporting boxes for drugs and alcohol, there will also be an additional box to note the AUDIT score
The AUDIT tool has been 'localised' and will form part of the FCAF package and training

The CMAP (Child's Multi-agency Assessment Protocol) has been agreed by partners at the December LSCB and an implementation plan is now in place with a proposed live date of April 2014

The recommissioning of alcohol services to deliver more preventative work and training/education opportunities is now operational.
This is being delivered by Lifeline and the specification includes capacity for training workforces

In April 2013 the Early Help Prospectus for low level DA training, and the RLSCB Prospectus for Module 2 training were launched.
Training will continue in 2014/15

- Provision has been commissioned until March 2014 to help facilitate step down from CART onto Early Help
- Step down processes have been firmed up and training has taken place with social workers
 - Monthly allocation meetings taking place in localities to facilitate step down for families meeting FfC Criteria

The primary scheme of work for PSHCE has been updated to include links to Expect Respect resource
This is Abuse campaign materials are now being sent to secondary schools

- All partners who develop alcohol messages to adopt the single alcohol message, this is being delivered through the:
- Call it a Night eLearning package being shared with partners
 - Request issued for the single message to be included in the IYSS newsletter, Healthy Schools and VAR

The transition plan for Know the Score into CAMHs has been redeveloped and is under close performance monitoring.
The service continues to respond to changing local needs

Priority 4: We will work with partners to eradicate child sexual exploitation

- Three independent reviews of Rotherham CSE services have now been published;-
 - HMIC Review of South Yorkshire Police Response to CSE
 - Barnardo's Rotherham Practice Review
 - Rotherham Local Safeguarding Board Chair Review of Response to CSE
- Each of these reports includes a number of recommendations and highlight areas for improvement which will inform and shape the 2014 CSE strategy and action plan review
- The Rotherham reviews also all commented on the passion, determination, commitment and enthusiasm of both front-line staff and senior managers across agencies to eradicate CSE.

- A Nurse Practitioner has joined the CSE Team.
- Barnardo's have funded four satellite workers, one in each South Yorkshire CSE Teams

- 1560 partnership staff, business representatives, parish councillors and young people have attended CSE training workshops
- 3209 young people have participated in informal curriculum sessions on CSE and related issue with the Integrated Youth Support Service
- A CSE 'Train the Trainer' programme has started to be rolled out
- All secondary schools are now engaged in the CSE awareness programme for young people
- Rotherham Healthy Schools have worked with schools to develop age appropriate CSE materials, launched in the Autumn term

- A review of police intelligence and development has been completed and internal police referral routes clarified
- There has been an increase in staffing within the CSE team including the recruitment of two CSE police analysts for South Yorkshire. One of which is dedicated to Rotherham and will enable an improved analysis of intelligence

- A variety of criminal intervention techniques are successfully used to cease CSE activity and potential activity as early as possible. In the most recent quarter there have been;
 - 1 further attrition activity, total of 7 for the year compared to 3 for the whole of 2012-13
 - 7 abduction notices, total of 27 for the year compared to 28 for the whole of 2012-13
- There have been
 - 20 interviews under caution for the year
 - 10 individuals on police bail and 2 on remand
 - 11 cases pending court

Priority 5: We will focus on all children and young people making good progress in their learning and development

Take-up of early education by 3/4 year olds for the Summer term 2013 was at 97%. This is an increase of 6.5% on the same period in 2012/13

73% of all schools judged to be good or outstanding for overall effectiveness compared to the national average of 78%
73% of all schools judged to be good or outstanding quality of teaching compared to the national average of 78%.

The following activities have taken place in Libraries and Customer Service Centres:

- 1,320 children from 4 – 11 completed the Summer Reading Challenge
- 1,803 Bookstart/treasure packs delivered
- 4,720 attendances at Rhyme-time sessions in libraries/customer service centres
- 9,884 pupils visited libraries as class visits
- 15,690 skills based activity sessions in libraries
- Chatterbooks is being delivered in Riverside House, Aston library/customer service centre, Dinnington library/customer service centre, Maltby library, Mowbray Gardens library, Thurcroft library, Wath library, Wickersley library

96.4% (2013 leavers) Learning Disability assessments completed for learners with Statements or those with significant additional needs

The number of primary schools below the new floor standard has reduced from 9 in 2012 to 6 in 2013
Two of the schools below the new floor standard are sponsored primary academies

- KS2-KS4 progress by 3 levels in mathematics increased by 4.3% to 70.3%
- KS2-KS4 progress by 3 levels in English increased by 3.3% to 75.3%

At KS2 the gap between the performance of girls and boys was reduced by 0.5% in L4+ reading, writing and mathematics combined. The gap is 9.6% compared to the national average gap of 7%
At KS4 the gap between the performance of girls and boys at 5A*-C inc E&M is 10%, this is in line with national averages

- LDD NEET is 9.3%, 10.5% last year
- Teenage mothers NEET is 66.4%, 70.5% last year

Priority 6: We will target support to families in greatest need to help access learning/employment opportunities

- A pilot multi-agency EU Migrant /Roma 'family induction day' was held at Lifewise on the 17th September 2013
- The event was attended by 125+ adults and children who attend 6 local schools
- The event has been evaluated, with feedback from both the adults and children who attended the event and also the range of professionals who were involved in organising and delivering each aspect of the day
- An evaluation report has been produced and distributed to key stakeholders
- A further event has been scheduled for 10.02.14 and incorporates the findings from the evaluation

- The percentage of 2013 year 11 leavers currently in learning in Rotherham has evidenced an overall improvement as a result of the work with schools around Risk of NEET indicators and negotiation of targeted support packages for students through IYSS: 96.3% (3402) as at Nov 13 compared to 95.6% (3406) in Nov 12
- The percentage and total numbers of year 11 leavers NEET has continued to reduce across Rotherham: 2.2% (77) as at Nov 13 compared to 2.9% (102) in Nov 12
- Improvement achieved for vulnerable groups identified as being at risk of NEET: 91.9% in learning (1051) in 2013 in comparison to 1058 (90.5%) in 2012

Youth support workers are accompanying young people seeking work to visit the Job Centre to ensure that they get the best access possible to available vacancies and are also supporting young people to apply online

- September guarantee met
 - Year 11 students – 98.5%
 - Year 12 students - 88.5%
- Evidenced improvement in RPA

- An EU Migrant Community Engagement Officer was appointed in July 2013
- This officer has supported the swift resolution of CME cases and facilitated the admissions and appeals process for EU Migrant families

Partnership arrangements have been established with Rotherham College and Dearne Valley College to provide targeted work for young people identified by the School liaison officers and College support services as needing one to one support to overcome barriers to engagement