

Public Document Pack



Janie Berry
Director of Legal Services
County Hall
Matlock
Derbyshire
DE4 3AG

Extension
Direct Dial 38394
Ask for Juliette
Normington

PUBLIC

To: Members of Improvement and Scrutiny Committee - Health

Friday, 5 July 2019

Dear Councillor,

Please attend a meeting of the **Improvement and Scrutiny Committee - Health** to be held at **2.00 pm** on **Monday, 15 July 2019** in the Council Chamber, the agenda for which is set out below.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Janie Berry'.

JANIE BERRY
Director of Legal Services

AGENDA

10. 0-19 Public Health Nursing Services in Derbyshire (Pages 1 - 18)

This page is intentionally left blank

Section 75 - A new approach to 0-19 Public Health Nursing services

Dean Wallace & Jayne Needham

Current provision

The current 0-19 Public Health Nursing Service is a universal, preventative service, consisting of:

- Health Visiting
- School Nursing
- Vision and Hearing Screening
- National Child Measurement Programme (NCMP)

Page 2

- This service is part of a multi-agency approach to improving the health and wellbeing of children, young people and families and contributes to the Healthy Child Programme
- Delivery of the 5 core contacts of the HCP by Health Visiting Services and NCMP is mandated under the Health & Social Care Act (2012)
- The Service is currently commissioned by DCC Public Health and provided by Derbyshire Community Health Service (NHS) Foundation Trust

Rationale

- The council wants to improve the health and wellbeing outcomes for children, young people and families who access the services.
- We believe that the most effective approach for delivering these outcomes is through a partnership arrangement between DCC and DCHS.
- This complements the whole system approach to commissioning and provision of services through Joined-Up Care Derbyshire
- Cabinet gave approval to proceed with the development of the Section 75 Partnership Agreement on 26 July 2018.


Benefits of this approach

- This is an enterprising approach that builds on the very successful service we currently have – we are one of the best performing county areas in the country in the PHE Best Start in Life indicator set. It maintains stability of service provision and supports a more integrated approach to delivery of services for children, young people and families, aiming to improve outcomes.
- It will encourage greater transparency in activity and outcome against investment, allowing greater flexibility and responsiveness.

Our Shared Vision

Page 5

“0-19s services support all children, young people and families in Derbyshire, to improve their well-being, thrive and reach their potential”



Best Start in Life

- Through the Partnership we will continue to provide services including Health Visiting and School Nursing.
- We are moving some money (£1m) from Public Health Nursing to invest in Childrens Centres.
- Additional support in the first 1001 days of a child's life can improve children's health, development and life chances.
- Children's Centres work closely with families in these first 1001 days and are evidenced to deliver major health benefits for children in more deprived neighbourhoods.

Why 1001 days are so important

- Pregnancy, birth and the first 24 months of life can be tough for every parent – and some may find it hard to provide the care and attention their child needs.
- This period of time (1001 days) is a chance to affect great change, as pregnancy and the birth of the baby is a critical window of opportunity when parents are especially receptive to offers of advice and support

Our aims



Page 8



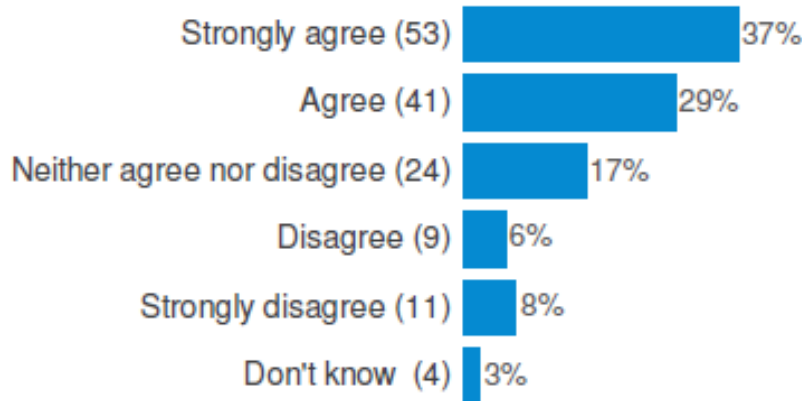
Consultation on the Section 75

Do you agree or disagree that 0-19 years public health nursing services (e.g. health visiting and school nursing) should be joined up with other services for children, and with wider NHS services?



Page 9

How strongly do you agree or disagree that the Council should develop the future of the 0-19 Public Health Nursing Services through a formal partnership agreement with Derbyshire Community Health Services NHS Foundation Trust, in which the Trust provides the services on behalf of the Council? (... option 1)



Key Milestones

Include:

- Engagement with communities that live and/or work in Derbyshire
- Establishing governance arrangements
- Developing a legal partnership agreement
- Agreeing the service specification
- Modelling how the new service will be delivered
- Transferring delivery of NCMP
- Agreeing support for the Early Help Offer

Current Challenges

- Public Health Nursing capacity
- Safeguarding
- Vision screening
- Impact of changes to DCC Early Help services

Public Health Nursing Capacity (Health Visiting)

- Evidence suggests that the greatest impact on a child's life can be had in the first 1001 days.
- This is the period of time where health visitors have all of their 5 mandated contacts, and is the minimum level of service that families should receive in England.
- The Institute of Health Visiting recommends a maximum of 250 children to one health visitor in order to deliver a safe service.

Health Visiting in Derbyshire

- All 5 mandated reviews will be undertaken by trained health visitors
- Continuity of care for families (a named Health Visitor for every child until school)
- A maximum average caseload of 300
- An additional face to face contact between the age of 3.5 years to school entry to support families to be ready for school

Public Health Nursing Capacity (School Nursing)

- Unlike health visiting, school nursing is not a mandated service.
- Like health visiting, school nursing provides a series of contact points for children.
- From 1st October our Service will support the health and wellbeing of pupils through 1:1 interventions and health assessments.
- The ability to undertake these public health interventions is dependent on the level of advice PH Nurses are required to provide to the safeguarding process.

Safeguarding

- We are committed to ensuring that children have the right representation to safeguard their health interests.

Page 15

System-wide challenge to other health providers and commissioners.

- Must ensure that it “is the professional who knows the individual child and family best, and who can therefore provide the best possible advice to inform decision making”.

Vision Screening

- Proposing to change the model from school-based screening to signposting to high-street opticians.
- Engagement (online and face-to-face) from March to July 2019. So far, 458 people have engaged in this
- Responses from the engagement have been mixed - the online engagement produced a different outcome to the face to face.
- Work ongoing (in collaboration with stakeholders across the system) regarding any potential model beyond 2020.

Impact of Changes to DCC Early Help services

- The proposed changes to early help and public health nursing services will occur at the same time
- Offer to families and children for both services will be different
- Governance group working to ensure changes to one service does not detrimentally affect other

Questions?