

DERBYSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

IMPROVEMENT AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE – HEALTH

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0-19 Public Health Nursing Services in Derbyshire

1. Purpose of the Report

To share progress on the development of a new 0-19 Public Health Nursing Service in Derbyshire, to launch on 1st October 2019.

2. Information and Analysis

The current 0-19 Public Health Nursing Service is a universal, preventative service that includes Health Visiting, School Nursing, Vision and Hearing Screening, and the National Child Measurement Programme (NCMP). 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. The Service is currently (until 30th September 2019) commissioned by DCC Public Health and provided by Derbyshire Community Health Service (NHS) Foundation Trust.

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. 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. This approach will maintain stability of service provision and support a more integrated approach to delivery of services for children, young people and families, aiming to improve outcomes.

Please see the attached slides for further information about the development of the new service, and the key opportunities and challenges that the Partnership is currently addressing.

3. Considerations

In preparing this report the relevance of the following factors has been considered; financial, human relations, legal and human rights, prevention of crime and disorder, equality and diversity, environmental, health, property and transport.

4. Officer's Recommendations

The Committee is requested to note the work undertaken to date by Derbyshire County Council and Derbyshire Community Health Services to develop and implement a new 0-19 Public Health Nursing Service for Derbyshire.

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