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Cabinet Member(s) responsible:	Councillor Stephen Goldspink, Cabinet Member for Education and Children's Services	
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PETERBOROUGH'S CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE PLAN 2009

R E C O M M E N D A T I O N S	
FROM : Elaine Fulton, Assistant Director – Commissioning and Performance, Children's Services Department	Deadline date : Full Council – 8 April 2009
1. Cabinet is asked to endorse the Peterborough Children and Young People Plan and to recommend that Full Council gives it consideration at its meeting on 8 April 2009.	

1. ORIGIN OF REPORT

- 1.1 This report is submitted to Cabinet following a referral from Councillor Goldspink, the Cabinet Member for Education and Children's Services.

2. PURPOSE AND REASON FOR REPORT

- 2.1 The purpose of this report is to seek Cabinet's recommendation of the reviewed Children and Young People Plan for Peterborough to Full Council.
- 2.2 This report is for Cabinet to consider under its Terms of Reference No. 3.2.1 'to take collective responsibility for the delivery of all strategic executive functions within the Council's major policy and budget framework and lead the Council's overall improvement programmes to deliver excellent services'.

3. TIMESCALE

Is this a Major Policy Item/Statutory Plan?	YES	If Yes, date for relevant Cabinet Meeting	30 March 2009
Date for relevant Council meeting	8 April 2009	Date for submission to Government Dept <i>(please specify which Government Dept)</i>	Submitted to Ofsted – July 2009

4. CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE PLAN

- 4.1 Peterborough's first statutory Children and Young People Plan (CYPP) was published in April 2006 by Peterborough City Council Children's Services department and its partners in the Children and Young People's Strategic Partnership, in line with the Children Act (2004).
- 4.2 The three-year rolling plan has, in line with statutory requirements, been reviewed annually with a revised plan published in 2007 and 2008. The CYPP has been reviewed through the Children's Trust, for whom the CYPP is their primary strategic document, setting out their vision and priorities for children and young people in the city. Legislation is currently being

tabled in Parliament to switch the statutory ownership of the plan from the local authority to the statutory Children's Trust Partnership Board. A new style CYPP will be required from 2011 to reflect these changes and, as such, the Children's Trust Partnership Board has agreed to a light-touch review for 2009 ahead of the revised arrangements expected in 2010/11.

- 4.3 The Children and Young People Plan, and the detail within its annexes, incorporates the children's element of the current Local Area Agreement (LAA), with the Children's Trust and its underpinning outcome focussed partnerships responsible for monitoring and challenge to drive forward performance in key areas and ensure the implementation of improvement plans.
- 4.4 The third annual review of the CYPP has been completed, ensuring that the priorities within the plan reflect the changing needs of children and young people in the city.
- 4.5 The CYPP is made up of a number of different documents. They are:
- The Overview Plan – outlining the vision and key priorities for children and young people in the city
 - The Annual Report – providing an overview of the progress in delivering the 2008 CYPP, as well as outlining the key actions to delivering the key priorities
 - The Needs Assessment – providing an overview of data and performance information relating to the needs of children and young people at a citywide, locality and ward-based level
 - Young people's version of the CYPP
- 4.6 The Overview Plan will be published in April 2009, with the further three documents due to be published in July 2009, incorporating year-end performance information.
- 4.7 Following an extensive consultation programme, assessment of need and negotiation with partners and key stakeholders, the 2009 Children and Young People Plan will outline a number of broad, outcome-focused priorities. They are:
- Be Healthy
- Children and young people are supported to make healthy choices
 - Children and young people have the best possible emotional health
- Stay Safe
- Children and young people have a safe environment in which to grow up
 - Children and young people are safeguarded from harm
- Enjoy and Achieve
- Children and young people have enjoyable learning opportunities
- Make a Positive Contribution
- Children and young people are engaged and supported within their communities
 - Children and young people resist engaging in crime and anti-social behaviour
- Achieve Economic Wellbeing
- Children and young people achieve their potential and succeed economically
 - All young people have access to appropriate housing
- Cross Cutting Priority
- Vulnerable children and young people achieve the best possible outcomes
- Underpinning Enabling Priority
- Deliver an effective infrastructure to ensure services continue to improve outcomes for children and young people

- 4.8 Each of the key priorities within the CYPP is underpinned by a number of key areas of focus which will provide the focus for partnership activity throughout 2009/10.

5. CONSULTATION

- 5.1 Consultation with children and young people, parents and carers, professionals and the wider community were central to the development of the plan and directly feed into the priorities outlined within this plan.
- 5.2 The Children and Young People Plan has been circulated for consultation to the Cabinet Member for Education and Children's Services, the Children's Trust Partnership Board and its underpinning partnerships, the Primary Care Trust Board and the Children and Lifelong Learning Scrutiny Panel. The draft was considered by Peterborough City Council's Corporate Management Team on 10 March 2009 before being presented to Cabinet on 30 March 2009 and Full Council on 8 April 2008.

5 ANTICIPATED OUTCOMES

- 6.1 The anticipated outcome is the development of a revised Children and Young People Plan to shape the work of all agencies and deliver better outcomes for children and young people over the next three years (2009-2012).

7 REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

- 7.1 To ensure that Cabinet have an opportunity to consider the reviewed Children and Young People Plan and make recommendations to Full Council.

8 ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED

- 8.1 The preparation and annual review of a Children and Young People Plan is a statutory duty.

9 IMPLICATIONS

9.1 Financial Implications

There are no new financial implications arising from this plan. The plan outlines strategic priorities for all those delivering services for children and young people in Peterborough. Action to deliver against these priorities will be addressed through normal council and partner agency service and budget planning arrangements.

9.2 Legal Implications

The production of the plan and its annual review is a statutory responsibility as outlined in the Children Act (2004).

9.3 Other Implications (Human Rights Act, Human Resources, ICT, Property, Contract Services and Cross Service implications)

The Children and Young People Plan outlines strategic priority actions for all those delivering services for children and young people in Peterborough. Priorities within the plan will be delivered through normal business planning procedures within the relevant organisations. The plan has been widely consulted upon, with cross-service working arrangements managed through the existing partnership arrangements (including the Children's Trust and the Greater Peterborough Partnership).

Consequently, there are no implications through the development of this plan that would not be considered within normal business practice within the council.

9.4 Risk Assessment

Risk management of the Children and Young People Plan is owned and managed by the Children's Trust and its supporting partnerships.

Risk management of work arising out of the plan is managed through normal city council risk management arrangements, including through departmental and project risk registers.

9.5 Community Implications

An Equality Impact Assessment has been completed for the Children and Young People Plan which will be updated to reflect the revised plan. Vulnerable and disadvantaged groups have been identified and engaged with through the consultation underpinning this plan. Actions to improve outcomes for vulnerable groups have been identified within the plan.

10 BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

Used to prepare this report, in accordance with the Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985)

None