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Priorities for 2016-17

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To feel safe

Children's Services Improvement Plan – support the work of the Improvement Board, identifying and acting upon opportunities to progress Improvement Plan recommendations.

Child Sexual Exploitation – continue to develop local responses to complement the work of the county wide CSE Strategy Group to support children and young people at risk of, or victims of, child sexual exploitation (including eSafeguarding).

Prevent and Radicalisation – develop the role of the Children's Partnership Boards in promoting awareness and implementing and sharing effective local practice.

To do well

Troubled Families Programme – provide effective governance that continues to embed the Troubled Families approach and better coordinates support for some of our most vulnerable families.

Align Early Action and Early Help – ensure the Early Action programme and the Prevention and Early Help strategy are aligned to coordinate activity, addressing gaps in provision and avoiding duplication.

Schools engagement – improve the way we engage schools, at County and local levels, in strategic multi-agency working to enhance the way services work together around the needs of a family.

To be happy

Emotional health and wellbeing – raise awareness of children and young people's emotional health and wellbeing and ensure that families can access timely and effective support at the earliest opportunity.

Summer holiday activities – maximise and target existing resources to improve the participation of vulnerable children and young people in activities over the summer holidays.

Children and Young people with parents in prison – increase agencies' awareness of service users who have a parent in prison, develop understanding of their needs and provide appropriate support.

To be healthy

Links to Health and Wellbeing structures – develop an improved dialogue and commitment for shared priorities and resources that support a determined focus on better outcomes for children and young people.

Infant mortality – more children will live, by building an understanding of the issue of infant mortality and prioritising activity to address key hot spots across the County.

Health Visiting and School Nursing Services – recognise and realise key opportunities to join up service delivery, improving effectiveness and access.

To be listened to

Participation and voice – children and young people will be effectively involved in planning and decision making that affects them.

Participation Quality Assurance Mark – to further embed this accreditation process to enable services and organisations to demonstrate and improve their commitment to, and the quality of, how they engage with children and young people.

Takeover Month – young people and professionals will work together in Takeover Month as part of the Children's Commissioner's initiative and this will be used as a catalyst for further collaboration and understanding.

It is important that priorities for children, young people and families that have been highlighted here, and the outcomes we expect from these are discussed, planned and delivered within the context the principles that were agreed by the Trust in 2011:

Shared Locations – we will encourage and provide opportunities for professionals to work together in multi-agency hubs.

Shared Information – we will develop the process, systems, understanding and confidence so that we share information about families; safely, appropriately and effectively.

Shared Ownership – we will maintain a shared and sustained responsibility for ensuring that the outcomes families have agreed; are achieved.

Shared Engagement – we will join up assessment processes and ensure that we minimise the number of staff involved with a family and where appropriate we will co-ordinate these through a lead professional.

Shared Delivery – we will bring together information, resources and capacity so that we deliver and commission services that are efficient and effective.