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**Report to:** Leeds Health and Wellbeing Board

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**Subject:** Annual refresh of the Future in Mind: Leeds Local Transformation Plan for children and Young People's Mental Health and Wellbeing

Are specific geographical areas affected? If relevant, name(s) of area(s):	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
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## Summary of main issues

Future in Mind: Leeds Strategy and Local Transformation Plan (2015-2020) sets out our vision, progress and next steps to improve the social emotional, mental health and wellbeing of children and young people aged 0-25. Our strategy brings together the Leeds response to the recommendations from the Department of Health's publication Future in Mind (2015) and the duties within the Children & Family Act (2014), in terms of the SEND requirements for pupils with Social Emotional and Mental Health needs.

The purpose of this paper is for HWB members to retrospectively note the third annual refreshed LTP (Appendix 1), which sets out for each priority, what has been achieved so far, how we know it is making a difference and next steps.

## Recommendations

The Health and Wellbeing Board is asked to:

- Retrospectively note the refreshed Annual refresh of the Future in Mind: Leeds LTP
- Note how the child and young person's voice has been integral in developing the priority work-streams and going forward is embedded in the co-production of their delivery.
- Note the strong contribution this strategy and plan delivers to the core prevention agenda of the city.

## **1 Purpose of this report**

- 1.1 The purpose of this paper is for HWB members to retrospectively note the refreshed LTP (Appendix 1). NHS England's national requirement to publish the refresh of the LTP before the end of October 2018 did not align with the timelines of the formal Health and Wellbeing Board meetings. As a result, the refreshed document was considered through the Chair and email consultation with members.
- 1.2 This report is an update on how we are driving forward our ambitious strategy to transform how we support and improve the emotional and mental health of our children and young people and therefore, ultimately impact on the wellbeing of all of our population. The refresh clearly sets out for each priority, what has been achieved so far, how we know it is making a difference and the next steps to progress.

## **2 Background information**

- 2.1 We want Leeds to be the best city for health and wellbeing and for children to grow up in: a healthy and caring city for all ages, where people who are the poorest improve the health the fastest. The Leeds Health and Wellbeing Strategy 2016-2021 and Children and Young People's Plan 2018-2023 are our blueprints for how we will put in place the best conditions in Leeds for people to live fulfilling lives – a Child Friendly, healthy city with high quality services.
- 2.2 Essential to this is our Future in Mind: Leeds Strategy and Local Transformation Plan (2015-2020), which sets out our vision, progress and next steps to improve the social emotional, mental health and wellbeing of children and young people aged 0-25.
- 2.3 Our vision is to develop a culture where talking about feelings and emotions is the norm, where it is acceptable to acknowledge difficulties and ask for help and where those with more serious problems are quickly supported by people with skills to support their needs.
- 2.4 As demonstrated within the plan, Leeds is also part of the West Yorkshire and Harrogate Health and Care Partnership, working together with partners across the sub-region to improve mental health as one of its priorities.

## **3 Main issues**

- 3.1 To achieve our vision and priorities in a context of resource pressures and evidence of increasing demand we need to work together in a single approach and to combine and transform our services. The strategy and plan evolve from the already strong relationships across our children's partnership, across health, education, social care and the third sector.
- 3.2 The LTP moves from a truly preventative approach, recognising the importance of the first 1001 days from conception for lifelong emotional wellbeing and moves through universal programmes to support resilience, to early help and targeted support services for the most vulnerable, through to specialist CAMHS. The

emphasis is working together as a system to ensure children and young people receive the support and advice they need as early as possible.

3.3 Some of our key areas of achievement are highlighted below with many more in the LTP document:

- The award winning Infant Mental Health Service that developed a universal screening tool for health visiting to identify emerging relationship difficulties in the first weeks of life, thereby enabling very early intervention.
- The programmes and resources that support emotional wellbeing and resilience, such as, the MindMate Champion programme for schools and MindMate Lesson resource for schools.
- The launch of self-referrals at MindMate SPA, following Healthwatch Leeds feedback.
- We have six employed MindMate Ambassadors, young people with lived experience of mental health difficulties who are passionate about driving forward change and engaging with other children and young people.
- The new specialist education school buildings have delivered to the project deadline (creating capacity for 340 specialist SEMH places in Leeds).
- Improved waiting times for specialist CAMHS (for routine appointments and for autism assessments).
- The launch of the Teen Connect helpline for young people in crisis.
- The new CYP community eating disorder service is established and is on track to support the expected number of young people and delivery of the national access targets.
- West Yorkshire and Harrogate Partnership CAMHS new care model has been successful in reducing the number of admissions to CAMHS beds and reduced the length of stay, thereby freeing up resource for investment into community services. For Leeds this will support the establishment of a discrete CAMHS crisis team.

3.4 And key areas to progress over the next 18 months are:

- Strengthen the early help service model, working with schools and clusters.
- Maximise digital opportunities and commission access to online counselling services, integrated into the Leeds system and pathways.
- Deliver the full children and young people mental health crisis offer.
- Develop the MindMate website further to include increasing resources for professionals.

## **4 Health and Wellbeing Board governance**

### **4.1 Consultation, engagement and hearing citizen voice**

- 4.1.1 The key delivery and governance structure for this work is the Future in Mind: Leeds Programme Board made up of officers and leads from across the programme of work and chaired by the Executive Lead Member for Children and Families. This board reports to the Children and Family Trust Board and the Health and Wellbeing Board.
- 4.1.2 The voice of children, young people and the views of their parents and carers strongly informed our key priorities. The working groups continue with this principle in the delivery of the priorities. An example is where young people have led from the start the content, design and language of the MindMate website and now regularly co-present at local, regional and national conferences.
- 4.1.3 We continue to use Healthwatch and Common room to consult with young people and families on progress to date and what we need to improve further. A current review is on our MindMate Champion Programme, where school staff and pupils are being consulted on their experience of the programme and related resources.
- 4.1.4 Children and young people supported the development of a quick guide to our strategy and MindMate Ambassadors reviewed and advised us on the language and content of this refresh.

### **4.2 Equality and diversity / cohesion and integration**

- 4.2.1 As reflected in the national Future in Mind (2015) publication there has to be an additional effort in Local Transformation Plans to respond to the needs of certain vulnerable groups of children and young people. In Leeds there are examples of multi-agency services supporting young people in the youth justice system and care system.
- 4.2.2 A specific priority in our LTP is to continue to review and check that the needs of vulnerable young people are met. This is supported by the intelligence gathered by the commissioned Future in Mind: Leeds Health Needs Assessment (2016). As stated in the plan there is an intention to add to and update the HNA over the next 18 months.

### **4.3 Resources and value for money**

- 4.3.1 There are strong principles underpinning our plan that will maximise the best use of resource and best value for money; these are listed below:

- Prevention (following the principles of the WAVE report, of the importance of the first 1001 days)
- New ways of working to develop emotional resilience and support self help
- Early support/help to prevent escalation
- Evidence based practice
- Use of digital technologies

- Transforming existing services and combining resources across the partnership to prevent duplication
- Noting that getting it right in childhood supports reduced need and demand in adulthood

#### **4.4 Legal Implications, access to information and call In**

4.4.1 There are no legal, access to information and call-in implications arising from this report.

#### **4.5 Risk management**

4.5.1 The programme board reviews the risks to the delivery of the strategy and LTP every time it meets. The key risks reflect those known nationally, reducing resource but rising demand, rapidly changing policy across education, health and social care, and workforce challenges in recruiting the staff with the right skills. Mitigation is in place and constantly reviewed for all of these areas.

### **5 Conclusions**

5.1 The refreshed LTP clearly sets out how progress has been made against all of our strategic priorities. However, we are not complacent and there is more to do. This plan sets out our key next steps in delivering our strategy and improving the outcomes of the children and young people.

### **6 Recommendations**

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### **7 Background documents**

7.1 None.

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**How does this help reduce health inequalities in Leeds?**

The plan adopts a proportional universalism approach in that it is for all Leeds children and young people but additional resource and services are targeted at those in most need. The plan adopts a holistic approach to mental health and wellbeing and a key priority is to ensure the groups of children and young people most vulnerable to mental health needs are recognised and evidence based service models are in place (and outreach) to them.

**How does this help create a high quality health and care system?**

Partners work in the city together to deliver high quality health and care resources and services. These are informed by the available evidence base, by a commitment to the voice of children and young people being integral to their care plan and service development, There is a partnership group that oversees this agenda and a dashboard to indicate progress against key standards.

**How does this help to have a financially sustainable health and care system?**

Partners work together to align and maximise investment and resource. Investing and getting it right for infants, children and young people supports the lifelong delivery of improved mental health and wellbeing.

**Future challenges or opportunities**

There is increasing demand and need; the JSA indicates the increase of children, particularly in deprived areas. This is occurring at a time of increased pressure on resources across the partnership.

<b>Priorities of the Leeds Health and Wellbeing Strategy 2016-21</b>	
A Child Friendly City and the best start in life	√
An Age Friendly City where people age well	
Strong, engaged and well-connected communities	
Housing and the environment enable all people of Leeds to be healthy	
A strong economy with quality, local jobs	
Get more people, more physically active, more often	
Maximise the benefits of information and technology	√
A stronger focus on prevention	√
Support self-care, with more people managing their own conditions	√
Promote mental and physical health equally	√
A valued, well trained and supported workforce	√
The best care, in the right place, at the right time	√