

Children and Young People Commitments

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Our key commitments for 2009-11	What are the key actions we will take to achieve these commitments?	Completion date	Cabinet lead	Strategic lead	Progress
<b>September</b>					
Maintain and enhance educational standards at all Key Stages	Implement Primary Strategy	Mar-11	ICT, Education and Achievement	Director of Children's Services	Ongoing implementation of Primary and Secondary Strategies. School Improvement Partners are now working with schools to assist and challenge with target setting for individual pupils. Targeted support continues to be provided to those schools causing concern, with regular updates to the Cabinet Member and Directorate Leadership Team
	Implement Secondary Strategy				
	Analyse and interpret individual school and pupil related performance data				
	Identify and provide targeted support for schools with low or declining performance				
Implement the Primary Capital Strategy, Building Schools for the Future (BSF) and the Academy	Implement vision and strategy for primary capital build, including bidding fund for	Mar-11	ICT, Education and Achievement	Director of Children's Services	Herefordshire's Primary Strategy for change has been approved by the DCSF. The directorate is now working with Leominster Infants and Juniors on the new build and potential amalgamation of the two schools. Consultation with the public is now underway. Herefordshire Academy has received planning permission. The new build of the Minster is progressing to budget and timescale. BSF preparation will involve a presentation by Partnership for Schools to JMT and Cabinet, scheduled for November 2009
	Develop resources and strategy for change and begin to implement BSF				
	Complete major rebuilds				
Conclude Children's Centres and Extended Schools roll out plans	Implement Children's Centres roll-out plan	Mar-10	Children's Services	Director of Children's Services	10 of 12 children's centres have now been designated. Of the remaining two centres, the first, in North Hereford City, has been identified and is awaiting Cabinet Member approval. The second centre, in the north of the county, has still to be confirmed. Given the geographic sparsity of service users, it is unlikely to be a new build but services are likely to be delivered from several existing buildings. The current estimate of schools providing the full core offer of extended services is 89% (the Training Development Agency (TDA) target is 90% by September 2009).
	Implement Extended Schools roll-out plan	Mar-10			
Embed Children's Trust arrangements, including commissioning and contract monitoring arrangements	Establish working arrangements with the joint commissioning unit as part of the arrangements with the PCT	Dec-09	Children's Services	Director of Children's Services	Now that appointments have been made to the integrated commissioning directorate, CYPD is working with it to develop specific ways of working, including the role of the Children's Trust. The CYP Plan is being managed through the regular work of the Children's Trust and CYPD

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	Deliver and monitor implementation of Children and Young People's Delivery Plan	Mar-11			
Continue to work with schools and communities to secure the best possible sustainable school education for the future	Development and implementation of strategy to continue providing the county's children with high educational standards	Mar-11	ICT, Education and Achievement	Director of Children's Services	The Schools Task Force has developed a draft framework for developing future educational provision in Herefordshire. This has been consulted upon with head teachers and is now out for wider consultation, with will end in November 2009.