HEREFORDSHIRE CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE'S PLAN

REVIEW OF THE FIRST YEAR – 2006/07

AND PRIORITIES FOR 2007/08

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Introduction

This is the first annual review setting out progress against delivery of the three year Children and Young People's Plan 2006/08. The review does not replace the original Children and Young People's Plan 2006/08, but does provide an opportunity to evaluate progress and the delivery of improved outcomes for children and young people.

The review is an important process in ensuring that stakeholders and service users are informed of the progress made and achievements of Herefordshire Children and Young People's Partnership. It has provided them with an opportunity to comment on what has gone well or needs improving and has assisted in identifying priorities for 2007/08.

This review builds upon the half yearly progress report to the Children and Young People's Partnership Board in November 2006. It meets the new national requirement placed upon us to formally review the progress of Herefordshire Children and Young People's Partnership Board in delivering the CYPP during the last year. Highlighting key achievements and areas for improvement the review is a key component of the Annual Performance Assessment (APA) process.

The review document has been structured under each of the five Every Child Matters outcomes supplemented by a section covering Service Management. The review document is further broken down to demonstrate clearly progress during 2006/07 against the actions and targets set out in the 06/07 Delivery Plan and the priorities and actions to be taken during 2007/08.

Building on the strong tradition and commitment to partnership working which exists in Herefordshire, a key focus during 2005/06 was to establish effective partnership mechanisms for bringing the relevant agencies together to develop a shared vision, aims and objectives to improve outcomes for children and young people across the County.

Herefordshire Children and Young People's Partnership was established in May 05 and has continued to learn and develop throughout 2006/07.

The Children and Young People's Plan 2006/08 www.cs.herefordshire.gov.uk/DOCS/cypp.pdf was launched in April 2006. The overriding objective of the Plan is to improve outcomes and opportunities for children and young people in Herefordshire. Emphasis has been placed on those who are vulnerable particularly those with Learning Difficulties/Disabilities and Looked After Children. The detailed actions to achieve those objectives are set out in the Forward Delivery Plan 06/07

The objectives contained within the Children and Young People's Plan are influenced by local needs analysis, government initiatives and targets, the Local Area Agreement and, importantly, the views of Herefordshire's children and young people. The plan was also influenced by the outcome of the Joint Area Review of Children and Young People's Services in Herefordshire which was undertaken during the autumn of 2005. That review identified a number of areas for improvement.

In order to ensure that we have the right staff with the right skills across Children's Services in Herefordshire a partnership wide Workforce Development Strategy is being developed to drive delivery of integrated front-line service delivery. This will facilitate a genuine multi-disciplinary approach to the efficient delivery of all services to children and young people.

Developing our Governance Arrangements

Herefordshire Children and Young People's Partnership consists of key Children's Services Commissioners and service providers across the County. Those agencies, including the Voluntary Sector, are working together to deliver the five Every Child Matters outcomes for children and young people. It was established in May 05 to take a strategic overview of national developments and local needs and provide strategic direction to the development and delivery of services to meet those needs.

Membership of the Children and Young People's Partnership Board reflects the strong commitment of all partners (a list of partners can be found at appendix 1). Further work will be undertaken during 2007/08 to develop the Governance Arrangements and ensure that appropriate and effective Children's Trust Arrangements are in place for 2008 within the overall framework of the Public Services Trust being developed in Herefordshire. The Public Services Trust will bring together the services of Herefordshire Council and Herefordshire Primary Care Trust under a single management structure designed to improve outcomes through the co-ordinated provision of services, improved efficiency and economy.

Initially, Governance Arrangements were exercised primarily through the Children and Young People's Partnership Board which is made up of representatives of the key Children's Services Commissioners/providers across Herefordshire from all sectors.

Developments during 2006/07

The Children and Young People's Partnership Board operates at a strategic level ensuring that appropriate strategies are developed and receive progress reports on their implementation.

Children and young people are now members of the Children and Young People's Partnership Board, represented by the Chair and Vice Chair of the Shadow Children and Young People's Partnership Board which is made up of young people.

In order to drive delivery of the actions set out in the Forward Delivery Plan a Partnership Board Executive Group has been established. This consists of five members of the Children and Young People's Partnership Board each taking a lead role for ensuring delivery of the five ECM outcomes. A number of working groups support those outcome leads. The Executive Group is also supported by the Partnerships Business Manager and has input from an Interim Improvement and Performance Manager.

Plans for 2007/08

Children's Trust Arrangements will be put in place. This will be within the overall context of the Public Services Trust being developed in Herefordshire which will bring together, under a single management, the work of Herefordshire Council and Hereford Primary Care Trust. The Board will be supported in undertaking its role by a Business Manager who took up post during April 2007 and a Joint Commissioning Officer yet to be appointed. Support will be supplemented by input from the Council's Children and Young People's Directorate Improvement and Performance Management Group.

It is intended to extend the Governance Arrangements for service users by inviting representatives of parents and service users to join the Board.

Financial Resources

The additional investment made during 2006/07 particularly targeted at improving safeguarding will continue in 2007/08 in order to further increase capacity and improvements in performance.

The existing pooled budgets and joint commissioning around CAMHS, substance misuse and the Children's Fund will be further developed in line with the LAA. The development of joint commissioning will be a key element of Children's Trust developments.

Cross Cutting Issues/LAA/CAF/Workforce Development

In addition to the need to put in place Children's Trust Arrangements, the CYPPB will work in collaboration with appropriate groups to ensure that the targets set out in the LAA are delivered. The Child Concern Model referred to in the CYPP has been developed and integrated into a Common Assessment Framework (CAF) process in line with national requirements. This multi-agency assessment process will improve efficient use of resources, avoid children and young people, their parents and carers having to repeat the same information to numerous professionals and provide a single holistic assessment of their needs led by a lead professional. The CAF process is currently being trialled in two pilots. The first covers South Wye and Hereford City, the second focuses on children with disabilities. A review of the pilot exercise will be undertaken during the summer. The CAF process will be rolled out across the County later in the year.

Effective delivery of the integrated ECM agenda requires common and complementary skill sets, the use of common terminology, processes and procedures. A multi-agency Workforce Development Strategy has been developed and implementation will commence during 2007/08.

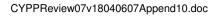
PROGRESS AND REPORTING ARRANGEMENTS

Overall performance reporting and progress monitoring of the actions and progress required by this delivery plan will the responsibility of the Children and Young People's Partnership Board. Each OUTCOME GROUP will be responsible for delivery of the plan and the provision of regular progress/performance monitoring reports to the CYPPB.

The columns in the plan will be updated as follows to designate progress made.

Completed	
On track	
Not on track	
No progress	





BE HEALTHY

PRIORITY AREA Improving physical and mental health

Key judgement

- Action is taken to promote children and young people's physical health
- Action is taken to promote children and young people's mental health

How will we know we are making progress?

B	HEALTHY	
•	Increase in % of 2 year olds who are up-to-date with MMR immunisation from 2004/2005 baseline	
•	Increase in the % of babies who are breast fed in the county from 2004/2005 baseline	
•	Increase in the % of babies born to South Wye mothers who are breast fed from 2004/2005 baseline	
•	Improvements in % of 5 year olds free from dental decay from 2001/2002 baseline	
•	Reducing year on year rise in obesity among children under 11 by 2010	
•	Reducing teenage conceptions by 50% from 1998 by 2010	
•	Reduce hospital admission rates for accidents among children from 2002 baseline	
•	Improvements in access to CAMHS	

In general, work in the "Be Healthy" outcome area has continued to build on its "good" rating in the JAR. The health of children and young people continues to be good and there continues to be effective promotion of healthy lifestyles. The work of health professionals continues to be delivered in the context of an understanding of the varied needs of different children and young people and the imperative to target services appropriately at the most vulnerable.

Much progress was achieved against the plan in 2006/2007. However, in many instances it is too soon to demonstrate an impact on outcomes because the effort this year has been on establishing reliable baseline data. For example, the Healthy Lifestyles Survey carried out in High Schools

and the weighing and measuring of all year 6 and Reception year children have both been completed with excellent response rates and these will provide a robust baseline dataset against which to measure impact in future years.

Progress has been made against all the priority areas set out in the CYP Plan and its delivery plan, including:

- Actions to tackle childhood obesity
- Actions to improve dental health
- Increasing availability of sexual health services
- Encouraging breast feeding among teenage mothers
- Encouraging breast feeding among women living in South Wye, the most socially deprived area
- Ensuring priority access to CAMHS for the most vulnerable groups
- Development of respite care
- Improvements in occupational therapy
- Increasing the number of schools achieving Healthy Schools status
- Consulting with staff, special interest groups, parents, carers, and children and young people with disabilities
- Developing joint care pathways for priority groups of children with special needs, such as epilepsy, ASD, and Down's syndrome
- Employment of additional family support workers for children with learning difficulties and disabilities
- Increase in numbers of assessments undertaken by learning disability team, by 150% over 6 months

In 2007/2008 the "Be Healthy" sub-group will continue to ensure the existing delivery plan is progressed. Areas of particular priority are:

- Developing an action plan to reduce hospital admissions for accidents
- Producing an agreed final draft of a strategy for children and young people with disability
- Introduction of chlamydia screening programme and satellite sexual health clinics
- Agreeing a care pathway for overweight and obese children and young people
- Strengthening the DAT
- Developing a fuller set of shared protocols for integrated care between primary and secondary health sectors.

STAY SAFE

PRIORITY AREA – Developing the Child Concern Model (JAR Action Plan)

Key judgements:

- The incidence of child abuse and neglect is minimised
- Agencies collaborate to safeguard children

How will we know we are making progress?

STAY SAFE	
Full implementation of the Common Assessment Framework (CAF)	
Positive evaluations of the Common Assessment Framework	
Reduce the number of C&YP killed or injured in road traffic collisions	
Fewer admissions to hospital due to injuries under 18yrs	0607 outturn tba
Improved Health and Safety provisions in PRUs	
A higher proportion of social workers per child population	
The number of children on the CPR in line with statistical neighbours	
A lower number of CPR re-registrations	
A higher number of first time registrations as a proportion of all registrations	
A rise in de-registrations from the CPR	
Reduce the number of young people (under 25 years old) who are victims of crime in	
Herefordshire by 6% by 2007/08	
• Reduce young people (under 18 years) as victims of violence against the person by 10%	
in Herefordshire by 2007/08	

Following the Joint Area Review (JAR) in 2005 and the recommendations made in relation to the Stay Safe outcome, the Children and Young People's Directorate has worked together with its partner agencies so that all children and young people in Herefordshire are provided with services to ensure that they are safe. The JAR Action Plan has now been completed and signed off, and Government Office West Midlands (GOWM) have indicated that they are satisfied with progress in relation to this service area.

Further work has been carried out to formally establish Herefordshire Safeguarding Children Board (HSCB) and a Business Manager has now been appointed to support the work of HSCB.

There has been good development with embedding the Child Concern Model within all agencies in Herefordshire and this is now moving forward with the roll out of the Common Assessment Framework (CAF). This is currently being piloted geographically in the South Wye area and also with children with disabilities across the county. Early feedback suggests that partner agencies and families have found this involvement helpful and reassuring.

The safeguarding of children is the responsibility of the whole of the professional community and overall partnership working has been strengthened over the last year. This is demonstrated within the realms of the Child Concern Model and again presently with the multi agency engagement of staff members within the CAF pilot, where there is a commitment amongst agencies to ensure that this works in the best interest of children and young people and their families.

The number of referrals has increased significantly over the last year, exceeding targets set. Whilst the overall number of assessments has also increased, the volume of work has resulted in some pressure on initial and core assessment timescales.

As part of the overall Children and Young People's Workforce Strategy, the implementation of the Social Worker Recruitment and Retention Strategy ensured that the target of 50 Social Workers in post by March 2007 was achieved earlier in March, although this slipped back slightly by the end of the month due to fluctuations related to agency staff. At the end of April this had risen to 49.4 and on the basis of recent appointments is expected to rise further in line with the targets set.

HSCB will appoint a Training Officer to oversee and evaluate the annual training programme for 2007/08. This will include both single and multi agency training and will ensure that all specific service needs are addressed.

The new HSCB Safeguarding Procedures will be launched in September 2007 and will then be audited on a regular basis to ensure that they are robust and being fully implemented. The Procedures will be closely monitored by HSCB and amended as required.

Following the evaluation of the CAF Pilot in July 2007, CAF will be rolled out across the county and targets set as appropriate.

Following agreement by CYPPB, the Support for Families Strategy will be launched in September 2007 and will inform commissioning activity for 2008/09.

HSCB will develop a dataset of appropriate safeguarding performance indicators. This will enable HSCB to oversee the role and performance of all agencies in relation to safeguarding so that the agency can be appropriately challenged if it is considered that they are not responding appropriately in relation to the safeguarding of children and young people within Herefordshire.

ENJOY AND ACHIEVE

PRIORITY AREA

Improving standards in education, tackling underachievement and Improving opportunities for recreation

Key judgements;

- Early years provisions promote children's development.
- Action is taken to ensure that 5-16yrs education is of good quality.
- Action is taken to ensure that 14-19 education and training is planned and delivered in a coordinated way and educational training is of a good quality.
- All children and young people can access a range of recreational activities including play and voluntary learning provision.

How will we know we are making progress?

E	NJOY AND ACHIEVE	
•	Improve the number of new out of school hours child care places (LAA)	
•	Increase % of 3 yr olds who have access to good quality free early years education places	
	in the voluntary private and maintained sectors.	
•	Value added between Key Stage 1-2 improved	
•	Improved results for Science at GCSE	TBC
•	Improved proportion of pupils in LA schools in the previous summer achieving Level 4 or	
	above in KS2 maths	
•	Improved proportion of pupils in LA schools in the previous summer achieving Level 4 or	
	above in KS2 English	
•	Improved results for 1 or more GCSEs A-G (LPSA2)	
•	Improved results for children achieving 5 or more GCSEs at grades A-C or equivalent	
	(LAA)	
•	Improved results on school inspections of	TBC
	- Leadership and management	
	- Pupil attitudes	

- Behaviour and exclusions	
Fewer fixed term and permanent exclusions	TBC
Schools meeting National Health Schools Standards in accordance with DfES targets	
 More children achieving 5+ GCSEs being educated in alternative settings 	TBC
Fewer half days missed due to absence in primary and secondary schools maintained by	TBC
the authority (LPSA 12 c&d)	
 Fewer days and half days lost from education by Looked After Children (LPSA 2G Target 	
12)	
 Improved results for 1 or more GCSEs for Looked After Children (LPSA 2G Target 13) 	
Fewer children and young people with a statement of SEN	
More statements of SEN completed within deadlines	
Fewer SEN tribunals	TBA
More reviewed and discontinued statements of SEN	TBA
Integrated processes for LDD	
 Increase the % of the total youth population aged 13-19 in contact with the youth service 	
Improved opportunities for children with LDD in education and training	TBC

Overall there has been good progress in addressing the priorities for secondary schools in 2006/07. There is an upward trend for attainment at KS4. The value added measures for KS2 – KS4 have also improved. There is evidence of significant impact from targeted support by the School Improvement Service (SIS) and the Secondary Strategy team particularly with respect to the core subjects; the development of assessment for learning (AfL); the development of interactive whiteboards expertise and school training.

Eleven out of fourteen high schools have specialist college status. SIS continues to promote and deploy resources to strengthen school partnerships and learning networks. The 14 – 19 strategy and action plan have been revised and refined to improve the progress that partnership delivery has on the vocational curriculum.

School Improvement Partners (SIPs) have, in the main, been recruited from outside the authority in order to increase the capacity of the team to support schools. There is evidence from OfSTED inspections, SIP reports and link inspectors that the quality of data and performance analysis in schools is improving steadily.

Overall, standards are good in terms of addressing the % of pupils achieving Level 4+ in maths and English in 2006 in Primary Schools, but there is a need to make significantly greater gains in the overall % improvement in these subjects and improvement compared to our statistical neighbours.

Areas of particular priority in 2007/08 are:

- Development of the 14 19 vocational curriculum
- Development of the Area Wide Prospectus and access to impartial advice and guidance on the learning entitlement and career pathways.
- Improved LA data collation and analysis (Particularly with respect to attendance, post 16 progression & NEETs)
- Improved behaviour and attendance strategies in identified schools.

- The development of personalised learning through the alignment of the secondary strategy and 14 19 strategy.
- Continue to raise the attainment of low achievers at KS4.
- Improved ICT provision and access.
- Improved attainment in KS3 English.
- Professional development of school workforce to support expansion of wider learning opportunities in secondary education.
- Implement the SIPs programme for all primary schools from September 2007.
- Improve attainment at Level 4 and Level 5 in Maths and English through the use of the ISP programme and focus on challenge for More Able pupils, focus on learning styles and teaching strategies, curriculum innovation and personalised learning, and sharing and building on good practice through a Good Practice directory.
- Continue to improve the outcomes of OFSTED inspections through school reviews and focus on helping schools with self-evaluation, monitoring and evaluation, moderation of work, tracking and data analysis.
- Continue to support schools in the use of the new primary framework, with a particular focus on the recommendations of the Rose Review and the use and analysis of pupil level tracking systems.

MAKE A POSITIVE CONTRIBUTION

PRIORITY AREA Reducing anti social behaviour

Key judgements;

- Action is taken to reduce anti social behaviour by children and young people.
- Action is taken to prevent offending and reduce re-offending by children and young people.

How will we know we are making progress?

M	AKE A POSITIVE CONTRIBUTION	
•	Shadow Partnership Board fully operational and effective	
•	Improved voluntary and community engagement of children and young people	
•	Increased participation of all children and young people in school and youth councils	
•	Reduced number of racist incidents in schools	TBC
•	Reduced first time entrants to the Youth Justice System (LAA)	
•	Reduced levels of re-offending (LAA)	
•	Increase the participation of young problem drug users under 18yrs in treatment	
	programmes	
•	Reduce the percentage of fixed term and permanent exclusions	TBC
•	Decrease in all forms of bullying behaviour	TBC

During 06/07 the following actions have been achieved;

- Increase in the parent provision co-ordinated by the YOS. An additional 2 parenting groups have been run across the county which represents a 50% increase
- Continued development of the Prevent & Deter Scheme. Work has progressed to begin the process of integrating P&D work within the wider prevention framework and to consider the integration of anti-social behaviour decisions into one overall youth crime prevention process
- A draft family support strategy produced
- Establishment of a Shadow Children's and Young People's Board

- Training of all YOS staff in the delivery of an individual & group work programme
- The expansion of the Children's Fund (CF) panel to work with young people up to the age of 18 who are at risk of offending
- · Additional funding for positive activities via the CF Panel

The 'Teenage Lifestyle Survey (2006)' revealed that 12% of young people surveyed took part in local youth council/forum activities or services on a local committee. Further survey work will take place in 2007 in order to establish a baseline for the numbers of young people who feel they have been given opportunities to influence decisions.

The High Focus Area review will inform actions to develop substance misuse interventions for young people, including the structure and policies of the young persons drug treatment service.

The Teenage Lifestyle survey showed that 35% of all pupils surveyed do voluntary activities at least once a month, and 18 % of young people help others at least once a month.

The Prevent and Deter scheme has been further developed and links have been made to the anti-social behaviour process and cross references to school excludees and non-attenders. Support for at risk young people is provided through the CF Panel. It has recently been agreed that the referral route for Positive Activities for Young people (PAYP – is the small programme targeting those most at risk of becoming NEET not the wider Positive activities and Youth Offer programme) will be through the Prevent and Deter scheme. The self-assessment for GOWM (March 2007) placed the scheme as amber / green.

The re-offending rate in 2006 was 50% compared to 53.5% in 2005. This is starting to move in the right direction however must be taken against changes in police processing which is increasing the number of crimes being reported.

The number of first time entrants to the youth justice system has increased by 15.7%. This is thought, in part, to be the result of the Offences Brought to Justice agenda, and in particular the sanction detection target which the Police have been set. Further analysis is required to identify the reasons for the increase.

The following have been identified as next steps in 2007/08:

- Further analysis as to the reasons for the increase in numbers of first time entrants to the youth justice system and development of an action plan to tackle the issues identified.
- The continued development of the Prevent and Deter scheme and establishing linkages to CAF implementation
- The development of a wider strategy for vulnerable young people and the Targeted Youth Support (TYS) Plan
- The establishment of baselines for the number of families receiving parenting support activities.
- The development and promotion of community engagement and volunteering opportunities for young people through implementation of the Youth Offer
- Ensuring engagement opportunities exist for disabled young people through the development of the Disabled Children Strategy
- Implementation of the HFA review recommendations
- Finalising and implementation of the Support for Families Strategy
- Implementation of the "Ngage" project with the objective of increasing the numbers of young offenders (16+) engaging in training or employment
- Ensuing engagement opportunities exist for Looked After Children through the CYPP Delivery Plan.

ACHIEVE ECONOMIC WELL-BEING

PRIORITY AREA

- Improving learning outcomes for 14-19 year olds
- Improving access and housing

Key judgements:

- a coordinated 14-19 Strategy is being implemented, which is based on an agreed set of performance indicators and improvement targets, and achieving improved outcomes in terms of:-
 - > access to their curriculum entitlement for young people;
 - > the achievement of all groups of learners when compared with benchmark data;
 - > the quality of teaching and learning;
 - > the level of resourcing for 14-19 learning;
 - > guidance and support to enable more young people to access and remain in appropriate learning.
- Action is taken to ensure that young people have decent housing.
- Community regeneration initiatives address the needs of children and young people.

How will we know we are making progress?

ACHIEVING ECONOMIC WELL-BEING	
Increased up take of child care for all families	
 Implementation of the 14-19 Action Plan and successful evaluation 	
Improved performance in GCSE (or equivalent) performance tables	
Increased NVQ level 2 achievement at 19.	
Distance travelled in post-16 level 2 provision.	
Value Added in post-16 level 3 provision.	
Increased 16-18 participation rates in learning	
Fewer 16-18 year olds in jobs without training.	TBC
Fewer 16-18 year olds who are NEET.	
 Increased % of teenage mothers, young offenders and care leavers in EET. 	
Fewer drop-outs from post-16 learning.	
Rate of expansion of curriculum offer.	
External inspection grades for teaching and learning.	
Reduce the number of care leavers without appropriate accommodation	
Reduce the number of families in temporary accommodation	
Decrease the number of homeless young people	TBC
 Increase the number of Herefordshire residents aged 19yrs to achieving a skills for life qualification 	

Progress has been made in all priority areas during the year, although it has been achieved more quickly in some areas than others. The priorities for the year were: -

- to improve housing provision for both single young people and families;
- to increase the % of all 16-18 year olds in education, employment and training;
- to increase the number of looked after children (LAC) who are in education, employment and training;
- to ensure that information, advice and guidance (IAG) provision for 14-19 year olds meets national quality standards;
- to ensure better coordinated transition planning for all children with learning difficulties and disabilities and focus on post-16 strategy.

Good progress has been achieved against all housing milestones.

The November, 2006 NEET target of 4.9% was exceeded with an achievement of 4.4%. Within this overall achievement there was good news for a range of vulnerable groups:-

- the proportion of teenage mothers in education, employment and training in December, 2006 was 31% compared to 25% the previous December;
- the proportion of young people with learning difficulties and disabilities who were NEET was down from 14.8% to 13.3% over the same period;
- the proportion of 19-year-old care leavers in education, employment and training went up from 56% to 61%.

The new Transitions Team (for young people with LDD) is in place. A Transitions Steering Group, with adult services, has been set up and is supported by an operations group with practitioners drawn from a wide range of children's and adult services. The Team has reviewed the overall transition process and involved themselves, as part of this work, in cases where progress was slow. As a result of this they have identified particular areas for improvement, which are now part of their action plan. The number of local groups dealing with disability issues has been rationalised, to give the opportunity for better coordination and planning.

Progress against IAG milestones has been good. Consultation with schools, colleges and training providers was carried out and showed a high level of satisfaction with current provision and arrangements. Local quality standards for schools have been updated and are being piloted. They focus particularly on outcomes and on customer feedback. They will be cross-referenced with the national quality standards, when the final version of those is available. A further education version will be available for piloting by December. A Transition Plan has been agreed between the Council and Connexions for an initial 2-year period of commissioning from April, 2008.

The 14-19 Strategy is being revised, a regular 14-19 Update is being produced and distributed widely and a 14-19 Manual has been produced and distributed to all providers with the aim of promoting a consistent approach to programme delivery. A small working group of the 14-19 Strategy Group has been set up to progress the decision at the Group's last meeting to establish a Herefordshire 14-19 Consortium. On top of this the sub groups of the Strategy Group are being updated and refocused to ensure they are appropriate and fulfilling their remit. These groups are focused on IAG, Vulnerable Young People, LLDD and Curriculum development.

With regard to the target to reduce the number of 16-18 year olds in jobs without training, progress is held back by Herefordshire's relatively low wage, low skill economy and by the inherent tension between targets to increase participation in learning and to reduce the proportion who are NEET. This is evidenced by the fact that over the period in which the NEET target was achieved and surpassed, the proportion of young people in jobs without training went up from 15.7% to 17.4%. Long-term progress requires strong collaborative effort at a strategic level. With this in mind, we plan to promote the idea of a public sector compact through the membership of the Children and Young People's Partnership Board and to develop a joint strategy with the Economic Development arm of the Council and LSC.

The Delivery Plan for 2007-08 has been updated in the light of this review of progress. Key points are:-

- the ambition to achieve the final bit of progress against bed and breakfast targets:
- the need to recalculate NEET baselines and targets in the light of national changes and to make sure that opportunity provision and support arrangements are responsive to these;
- the need for strategic support and development if jobs with training ambitions are to be met;
- accelerating progress on the 14-19 front now that resources issues have been resolved;
- Transition Pathways work moving into its delivery phase.

VULNERABLE CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE (LDD & LAC)

PRIORITY AREA

Improving outcomes for children with Learning Difficulties/Disabilities Improving outcomes for Looked After Children

Key judgements;

- Children and young people with LDD are helped to enjoy and achieve.
- Children and Young People with LDD are helped to make a positive contribution.
- Children and young people who are Looked After are helped to enjoy and achieve.
- Children and young people who are Looked After are helped to make a positive contribution.

How will we know we are making progress?

LD	OD .	
•	Integrated process and assessment for LDD.	
•	Fewer children and young people with a statement of SEN.	
•	More statements of SEN completed within deadlines.	
•	Fewer SEN tribunals.	ТВА
•	More reviewed and discontinued statements of SEN.	TBA
•	Improved opportunities for children with LDD in EET.	
•	Improved transition arrangements for children and young people with LDD.	

LAC	
Increase % of LAC offered a health check in the year (LAA).	TBC
Fewer days and half days lost from education by Looked After Children (LPSA 2G Target 12).	
Improved results for 1 or more GCSEs for LAC (LPSA 2G Target 13).	
Increased % of LAC in EET.	
Reduced number of care leavers without appropriate accommodation.	

OUR PLANS FOR INTEGRATING SERVICES IN HEREFORDSHIRE

PRIORITY AREA Integrating services and multi agency working

• Our Plan for Integrating Services, Processes and Strategies.

How we are going to get there

•	Consultation with young people to support their participation in strategic planning.	
•	Restructuring of Children's Services Directorate.	
•	Stakeholder events to take place to ensure involvement by all relevant groups	
•	A multi-agency working party will be formed to develop plans for integrating services, processes, strategies and co-location, for ratification by the Partnership Board.	
•	An Action Plan for further implementation of the Child Concern Model is now in place.	
•	A multi-agency working party is developing the common assessment framework, care planning and lead professional role: the work must be concluded by June 2006.	
•	Information sharing agreements will be developed in line with government guidance.	
•	Developing the Children's Workforce Strategy and Common Core of skills and knowledge.	

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		ECM /NSF Outco	me Area: BE HEALTHY				
Outcome / key requirements	CYP Plan Yr	Priority actions	Progress	Success measures		Lead	
Maximise uptake of childhood immunisation	1 2 3	 Annual community pharmacy leaflet campaigns Follow up localised low rates with 	 Community pharmacy campaign planned for Summer Term 2007. GPs aware of uptake 	Percentage of 2 year olds who are up to date with MMR immunisation from 2004/2005 baseline.		FH	
		local GPs	locally.	04/2005 (baseline) 05/2006 06/07	Target 83%	Outturn 78.5% 81.5% TBA	
	4	Offer informed choice to all parents through health visiting support	Health visiting support in place. Introduction of new childhood vaccination programme in September 2006 a risk but gives opportunity for full discussions	07/08 08/09	85% TBA	TBA TBA	
2. Increase in percentage of babies who are breast fed at 6 weeks in the county. CP	1 2 3	 Introduce new breastfeeding policy. Encourage breastfeeding through all anti-natal and postnatal contacts. Deliver enhanced training for health staff 	 Consultation on draft policy now completed. One outstanding area resolve on storage of breast milk where HHT policy is being reviewed in light of NICE guidance. Enhanced (Unicef) training programme planned and some completed. 	Increase in percentare breast fed at 6 with 2004/05 basel (LAA 11a/HCS20) 2004/05 (baseline) 2005/06 2006/07* 2007/08 2008/09 * as at December 20 TBA – mid/end June	Target 43% 44%	Outturn 37.9% 41.1% 40.6%	HB/SH

3.	Increase in percentage of babies born to South Wye mothers who are breast-fed.	1 2 3	Establish intensive breast feeding support project, focusing on all teenage mothers in Herefordship and all mothers in South Wye		Project established. Project lead in post and 4 peer support workers and a pool of health professionals now	Increase in percen are breast fed at 6 with 2004/05 basel (LAA 11/HCS 216)	weeks cor		JQ
					trained to train women		Target	Outturn	
					to become peer	2004/05 (baseline)		33.1%	
					supporters working	2005/06		41.2%	
					through Children's Centres.	2006/07*	33%	35.5%	
				4,	Breastfeeding actively	2007/08	40%		
				ľ	promoted.	2008/09	TBA		
				•		* as at Feb 2007 – F outturn due end of J)7	
4.	% of babies born to teenage mothers who are breastfeeding at 6 weeks	1 2 3	Establish intensive breast feedir support project, focusing on all teenage mothers in Herefordshin and all mothers in South Wye		Project Established. Project lead and 4 peer support workers in post.	Increase in percen are breast fed at 6 with 2004/05 basel (LAA 12/HCS 21a)	weeks cor		JQ
							Target	Outturn	
						2004/05 (baseline)		22.1%	
						2005/06		12.9%	
						2006/07 *	25%	15.3%	
						2007/08	30%		
				4		2008/09	TBA		
						* as at Sept 2006 – outturn at end of Jui)7	

5. Improvement in % of 5 year olds free from dental decay	1 2 3	•	Ensure access to dental care for Looked After children is protected and prioritised Begin option appraisal to fluoridate the water supply	•	Access for LAC at dental access centres has been protected and is continued. Fluoridation feasibility study now commissioned by SHA	Priority access secur SHA asked to comm study from Welsh Warner Percentage of 5 year dental decay from 2 baseline.	ission feas ater. a r olds fre e	·	FH
					from Welsh Water.	2001/02 (Papalina)	Target	Outturn	
						2001/02 (Baseline)		58%	
						2006/07	60%	TBA	
						2007/08	62%	TBA	
						2008/09	TBA	TBA	
6. Reducing year on year rise in obesity among children under 11 by 2010 (no baseline figures until September 2006)	1 2 3		Introduce height and weight measurement of children in Reception and Year 6	•	All children in Year reception and Year 6 were weighed and measured Summer 2006, achieving the second highest uptake in the West Midlands.	Measurement of all of consenting schools under July 2006. Year only been demonstrately level. The priority her Reducing obesity to children aged 5 and	ndertaken on year ri ted at a na re is for lo	se has ational cal data. ng	SW
		•	Identifying target schools for intervention once prevalence is	•	Analysis of data currently underway.	(HCS 22d link)			
			established		Health Improvement		Target	Outturn	
					Manager with special	20006/07 (baseline)		12%	
					responsibility for	2007/08	TBA		
					tackling obesity	2008/09	TBA		

				appointed Dec 06. Discussions with Heads scheduled for Summer Term 07.		
7.	Reducing teenage conceptions by 50% from 1998 (baseline) by 2010.(LAA)	1 2 3	 Target "hot spots" which have particularly high rates Extend 4Us clinics 	 Interim government office target of 10% reduction was achieved with 2004/2005 figures. Hot spots being targeted using teenage pregnancy grant. Teenage Pregnancy Co-ordinator post was vacant for a short time but recruitment now complete. 	Rolling average for 3 years 2002/2004 is 34.7 Reducing teenage conceptions by 50% from 1998 baseline by 2010. 1998 baseline is 37.2 (per 1,000 women aged 15-17) Target Outturn 1998 (baseline) 2005/06 +1.4% 2006/07 -19% (30.1) -15.7% 2007/08 -24% (28.2) 2008/09 -40% (22.3)	
			Implement teenage pregnancy strategy	Teenage pregnancy strategy being implemented and monitored via a new multi-agency group, Sexual Wellbeing and Health Network, which reports to CYPP.	with target – better than nationally – (Published Feb 07)	

8.	Reduce hospital admission rates for accidents among children.	1 2 3	•	Identify reliable database Scope level of accidental injury	•	Work in progress. Work in progress, to be completed when additional public health capacity is recruited. (Agreement now	Data for accident-ba now been confirmed was 349. Targets an achieving a 10% red by 08-9.	. 2002 base re based of luction in the	seline n nis figure	FH
						secured). Recruitment		Target	Outturn	-
						expected July 07.	2002 (baseline)	00.4	349	-
							2006/07 2007/08	334 324	TBA	-
							2007/08	314		-
							2000/03	1017		-
			•	Identify action plan	•	Action Plan to be drawn up once the data analysis has been done.				
9.	Ensure effective implementation of the multi-agency healthcare planning procedures for looked after children	1	•	All Looked After Children receive the best possible health care and all have a plan subject to consent	•	100% of young people under the age of 5yrs are up to date with health assessments.	Percentage of LAC place. Health of Looked a 1037SC/PAF CF/C1	fter Childr		SMcL
								Target	Outturn	-
							2005/06		90.7%	-
							2006/07	93%	90.2%	-
							2007/08	94%		
							2008/09	95%		
							2006/07 – 100% of 0)-5 yrs ach	ieved.	

		LAC have access to all services and support required to deliver the best possible outcomes for them.	This target is being collated it is anticipated that we will be marginally short of the 93% target.		AC
			The NCS event was held and well attended. The National Standard has been accepted by the CYP Partnership.	Procedures in place. Review chairs to monitor actions to be completed. Hold NHCS event 27/6/06 & Draft implementation plan - National Healthy Care Standard is adopted by the CYP's Partnership	
10. Improve access to Occupational Therapy Services.	1	Prompt access to OT services is in place for all relevant children and young people completed.	We continue to meet the locally set 13-week referral to assessment target and this is monitored weekly. An additional team	Percentage of referrals meeting the local standard of 13 weeks referral to assessment. Increase in number of OTs	MP
			leader is in post.	Info TBA	
11. Ensure appropriate social care support for the families of children with learning difficulties and	1 2	Effective family support and casework in place for all children with disabilities &/or learning disability and their families / carers	 Permanent social worker post taken up November 2006. Further 0.5wte post has been filled. 	New service available. Monitor increase in no of breaks provided.	MP/AH
disabilities.			 A Short Breaks strategy is being developed. Number of assessments undertaken by team 	March 2006 Gaseline 2006/07 70 TBA 2007/08 77 2008/09 85	

	has increased by 150% over last 6 months. Input and support to families increased through employment of two additional family support workers. A pilot single referral process has been put in place across the Kite Centre and CDC at Ross Road. Review of current Short Breaks provision undertaken and specification for new service drawn up. Contracts with local providers have been reviewed to ensure best use of existing contracts	Audit all cases every 6/12 to monitor take up Local care pathways in place and linking to CAF processes. No of CAF and AF assessment completed – TBA following pilot (Summer 07)	
	 Contracts with local providers have been reviewed to ensure 		

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12. Improve	1	Clear information in place for	Workshop took place		MP/AH
communication with		children, young people and	10 parents participated.		
parents and young		families / carers through all	Led by Philippa		
people with learning		available systems	Russell, from National		
difficulties and			Council of Disabled		
disabilities in terms of		 Consultation system in place for 	Children. Outcome		
both the assessment		children, young people and	now being incorporated		
of need and planning		families with clear standards and	in next version of		
of provision.		requirements in place	Disability Strategy		
			 Information sharing 		
			across agencies with		
			an interest in		
			communication,		
			consultation and user		
			involvement.		
			Questionnaire	Questionnaire response rate of 78%	
			developed and sent to	achieved, findings being incorporated	
			100 parent/carers	into the strategy.	
			across county. Analysis	into the strategy.	
			of the questionnaires		
			will form the basis of		
			developing strategies		
			for user involvement		
			and consultation.		
				Two Learning Disability Nurses offer the	
			Participation in open	Two Learning Disability Nurses offer the	
			evenings at special	service going into Special Schools on a	
			schools to seek	regular basis.	
			parent/carer views and		
			those of young people.		
			Drop-in sessions also		
			available at school.		

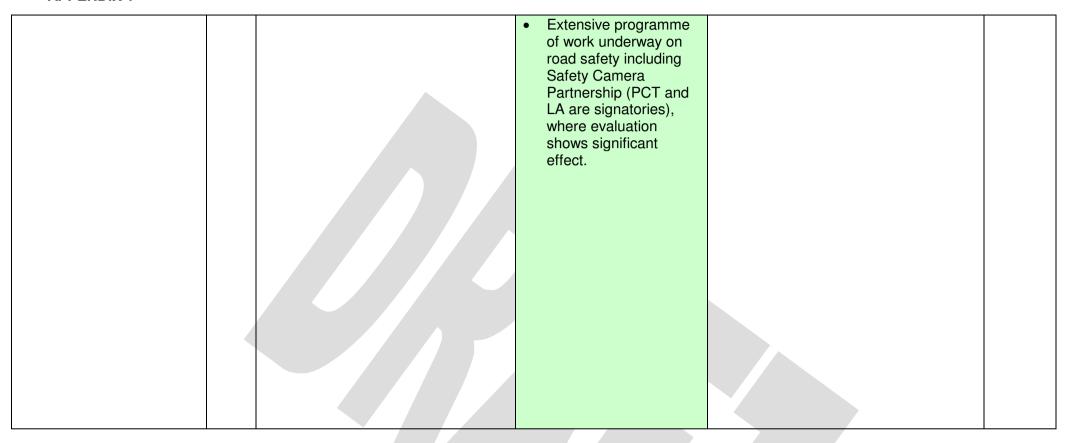
Draft information p containing local information for parents/carers is ir preparation.	to link with Herefordshire Connects.
Care pathways have been developed for number of specific groups of children.	children with communication disorders. Older children underway. Children with
Currently consultate about the future provision of special services out to members of the puland staff and special interest groups.	completed. ublic

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13. Improve access to 1	 Agree a multi-agency CAMHS 	 Multi-agency strategy 	CAMHS Strategy agreed	and in place.	MP
hospital in-patient	strategy to include commissioning	has been completed			
provision to meet	of Tier 4 services locally, given	and is being submitted	Progress towards a co		
children and young	regional capacity problems	to CYPPB for approval.	children & adolescent ı		
people's mental			service (APA 1043SC/ F	PAF A70)	
health needs (tier 4					
CAMHS)			Target		
			2005/06 N/A	12	
			2006/07 15	15	7
			2007/08 16		7
			2008/09 16		
	 Enhanced access to Tier 4 services. A range of acute service provision in place locally 	 Tier 4 commissioning is dealt with at regional level and a meeting with the SCA based at GOWM has been requested to further discuss whether or not this should continue to form part of our ongoing monitoring. Spot purchasing of tier 4 services is to be reviewed as part of the joint commissioning work programme. 	Further progress depend development of regional Progress TBA Meeting took place in Fe acknowledged as a region be taken forward at interlevel. Underway led by commiss based at PCT.	strategy – o 07, nal problem to mediate tier	

14. Increase the number of schools achieving the Healthy Schools Standard from the 2005 base.	1 2	Having set up a strategic steering group for Healthy schools, to look at the structure of this group after the first year at the next meeting in September, to ensure accurate representation of the partners we work with. This will be a new	group meeting has revised its membership and meets regularly. An operational group has been established and its terms of	A multi-agency established to comeeting regular Increase in number which have ac	oversee pro rly. mber of so hieved the	chools, HSS.	ТВ
		group for the coming year. There will be biennial meetings of this group. The group will monitor impact against their own KPIs and the work of HHSP. This will be done through discussion between key members of the group and plan for the year ahead. These will be reviewed at	reference and membership have been reviewed and agreed. New PCT appointment made, to begin December 2006, and will continue to work closely with Healthy	2005/06 (baseline) 2006/07 2007/08 2008/09 (National targe	Target 51 81 101 ts have been	Outturn 51 61 en set and will	-
		the next meeting. • Monthly meetings commencing August 2006 with Director of Public Health in addition to the strategic meetings to consolidate the input of the PCT. This is taking the form of planning for a new appointment at the PCT who will support the work in schools around food and the obesity agenda.	Schools.	be monitored be regionally)	oth locally a	and	

	Establishing a PSHE coordinators group in line with the findings of the NCB. This will ensure the quality provision of PSHE, as well as ensuring the use of updates and resources.	PSHE Co-ordinators' Group will be established once Healthy Schools moves to new office premises early 2007. Meanwhile, a password protected area has been established on the website for PSHE co-ordinators to speak electronically to each other. This went live 22.11.06. New premises move complete.		
15. Improve measures of Healthy lifestyles for teenagers	Focus on;	Autumn lifestyle survey has been completed. Analysis is now complete and currently being disseminated amongst partners.	Decrease in smoking rates and substance use. 2006/07 Progress – Results of TLS received and baseline, Indicator confirmation and target TBA	FH

in the short-term. HCS 23/ LAA 44 Target Outturn
2006/07 278 TBA
2007/08 271
2008/09 264
 17. Reduce the number of 0-15 year olds killed or seriously injured in road traffic collisions in Herefordshire. Fewer young people involved in road accidents. Currently working on whether or not this is the best indicator. Want to develop another on hospital Target is to reduce the number of children killed or seriously injured in road traffic accidents by 50% by 2010 from 1994-8 baselines.
(CSDSP) admissions, and Target Outturn
possibly a focus on achieving a reduction baseline) 1994/98 (AV baseline)
in numbers admitted for cycling, road traffic 2006/07 17 13
accidents. 2007/08 15 2008/09 14



		ECM /NSF Outco	me Area: Staying Safe				
Outcome / key requirements	CYP Plan Yr	Priority Actions	Progress	Success measures			Lead
1. Ensure that appropriate criteria are set for the involvement of the local authority's professionally qualified social care staff in child protection cases.	1	 Effective targeting of social work assessment and intervention on the most vulnerable children. New criteria drawn up. Revised criteria; shared and agreed across agencies. Survey all agencies in June. 		Improvement on PIs to assessment. All staff using new provised thresholds. (SPIs) Referrals of children 10,000 population at 89a/KIGS CH 141) 2004/05 (Baseline) 2005/06 2006/07 2007/08	ocedures a See JAR IA	AP for per	SMcL/L M/SMe
2. Ensure that these criteria are clearly understood by all concerned and consistently applied in practice	1	Clear supervisory, decision making and case flow arrangements are embedded within the duty team and understood by partners	 Further work underway to formally establish HSCB structure – to be completed by March 2007. Revised outcome/target included in 07/08 plan. 	PI Numbers of referr to Initial Assessments % referrals of childr leading to initial ass (APA 2017SC/CH143) 2004/05 (baseline) 2005/06 2006/07	on targer en in nee essment	t d	LM

	•	LSCB effectively overseeing all safeguarding arrangements including response to new Working Together 2006	 Performance targets re Initial and Core Assessments not likely to be met and need to be revised. Revised outcome/target included in 07/08 plan. 	PI Number of Core (see JAR IAP for de Supervision log aud Managers to check supervision and tra Review appropriate audits. Workshops running LSCB established a new criteria; training development post r Guidance reviewed	etail of PIs dited 6/12. staff awar ining sessi eness of re- g March 06 and review g post and recruitment	eness in ons. ferrals in onwards. ing use of	SMcL
3. Ensure that there is an effective workforce strategy to address the recruitment and retention problems within the local authority's social care service.	1	Effective workforce strategy is in place to ensure that recruitment, retention and development of professional social workers is in place Integrate social work workforce strategy to wider HR strategies for children's services	 NB Amber due to SW target not being met Not possible to meet target within current budget Revised outcome/target included in 07/08 plan. 	Improved retention monitored. Reduced vacancy r monitored quarterly No of wte qualified (children) per 10,0 employed staff on March 2006 March 2007 Qualified social w turnover rate (Dire only) March 2006 March 2007	rates - to be d social workers (ch	orkers (Directly Outturn 11.6 nildren)	DJ

		Qualified social workers (children) vacancy rate (Directly employed staff only)		
		Target	Outturn	
	March 2006		16.7	
	March 2007	5.0		
	Qualified social retention rate staff only)			
		Target	Outturn	
	March 2006		93.2	
	March 2007	92.0		
	Social care work are fully embed workforce strate Number of corchildren in new population und (APA 2021SC/0)	ded within wid egy. e assessmen d per 10,000 der 18 CH145)	er ts of	
		Target	Outturn	
	March 2006	.=	32.5	
	March 2007	45	51.6	
	Numbers of re 10,000 popular CH141)			
		Target	Outturn	
	2005/06	200	175	
	2006/07	220	266	

	% of initial asses working days of 1704)		
		Target	Outturn
	2005/06	75%	70.1%
	2006/07	75%	58.7%
	2007/08	68%	
	2008/09	72%	
	2009/10	75%	
	Timing of Core A CF/C64/ APA 202		
		Target	Outturn
	2005/06	75%	76%
	2006/07	80%	61%
	2007/08	66%	
	2008/09	68%	
	2009/10	70%	

4.	Ensure that a written record is made of all contacts with the social care duty team.	1	All contacts with / referrals to duty social work team recorded and responded to promptly and appropriately to meet National Assessment Framework timescales		PI Numbers of referrals of CIN are on target (see JAR IAP for detail of PIs) All duty cases are allocated. Weekly case tracking and monthly audit. % referrals of children in need leading to initial assessments (APA 2017SC/CH143)		I of PIs) onthly	SMcL
						Target	Outturn	
					2005/06		54%	
					2006/07	60%	66%	
					2007/08	65%		
					2008/09	70%		
					2009/10	75%		
						•		
5.	Ensure there is a single referral, assessment and service-planning framework for children in need, which is consistently and effectively applied in practice.	1	 Updated Child Need Framework in place to cover the whole continuum of needs and services Effective common process system for managing the identification and provision of services to children with additional needs to meet requirements of national Common Assessment 	Revised outcome/target included in 07/08 plan.	CCM is updated a CAF (Every Child Herefordshire) who New CAF building and disseminated. No of CAFs complete TBA following pilot 06/07 target 30:	Matters in ole system on CCM, in the detect as a read to the detect as a read	approach s produced measure – r 07	SMcL

6. Ensure that the training guidance and support needs of all staff contributing to the implementation of the Child Concern Model are addressed, both in terms of the time required to undertake the tasks involved and the necessary skill	1	Training and development strategy put in place for staff and managers across agencies	Revised outcome/target included in 07/08 plan.	Programme and curriculum set up. Facilitators in place. No of staff trained and using CAF 06/07 Baseline target 160: Outturn 202 No of CAFs completed 06/07 29 Baseline target 30 Targets TBA. Baseline to be set in 07 following pilot.	SMcL/ SMe
7. More families receive additional support - % increase in provision of family support	1 2 3	 Inter-agency Family and Parenting Support Strategy in place by October 2006 to inform commissioning intentions for 2007/8. Action plan to be developed 	 Strategy not yet in place – event planned for 5/12 to form basis of strategy to be brought to CYPPB for agreement March 	Expenditure on Family Support Services per capita aged under 18. APA 6009SC/KIGS EX77 Target Outturn	YC
8. Provision of intensive family support		during August to deliver the Strategy following consultation.	2007. • Revised outcome/target	2004/05 24 2005/06 27 2006/07 28 35	

Strategy to be presented by	included in 07/08 plan.	
	included in 07/00 plan.	
Director of Children's Services to		
Children and Young People's		
Partnership Board with a view to		
formal endorsement September		
2006.		
 Lead officers to develop 		
implementation plan by end		
September 2006.		
 New "what works" Government 		
guidance on Family Support due		
September 2006. Action plan to		
be checked against this.		
Commissioning family support		
services and parenting		
programmes to meet identified		
gaps i.e. poor geographic		
distribution around the county,		
services to cover parenting		
children 0-17, specific service to		
cover children with a disability or		
other additional need, services		
appropriate to families where		
English is not their first language.		
Process to commence October		
2006.		

Uprating of Service Directory to		
provide a better service to		
professionals and the public by		
December 2006.		
 Engagement of children, young 		
people and parents or carers in		
the development of new services.		
 Improved outcome for children. 		
Parents better able to cope with		
parenting responsibilities.		

		ECM Outcome Ar	rea: Enjoy and Achieve		
requirements	CYP Plan Yr	Priority Actions	Progress	Success measures	Lead
1. Absenteeism in primary schools: Reduction in the number of half day sessions missed due to authorised and unauthorised absence as a % of total no. of sessions in primary schools	1 2	 Cool Cats (attendance positive reinforcement) pilot in 3 schools, St James, Trinity, Lea commencing September 2006 for 1 academic year. Requirement for each school to inform EWS of ten worst attendees. Lists to be updated fortnightly and absent figures followed up by EWS. To commence September 2006. School attendance figures to be plotted against individual school targets monthly. Figures to be monitored monthly. Principal EWO to discuss with head teachers regarding authorised absences and provide extra EWS support if agreed commencing September 2006. 	 Schools that missed DfES target for 05/06 are being targeted. SLAs being negotiated with schools. 	Monthly meetings with other colleagues / services monitoring attendance data to assess effectiveness of actions. EWS to undertake a comprehensive review of all policies and procedures aimed at increasing data collection and assessment. To be reviewed every term. 06/07 outturn: (05/06 academic year) Authorised absence: Herefordshire: 5.67% Statistical Neighbours Mean: 5.54% National: 5.3% Unauthorised absence: Herefordshire: 0.3% England: 0.5%	GS/SMc L/PC

	Use of Penalty Notice Warnings (minimum 10 U/A's) / Penalty Notices (minimum 20 U/A's) for pupils with unauthorised absences not achieving	 05/06 43 issued. 06/07 2 issued (40 warning letters issued – anticipate 25% will result in issue of 	DfES RAG Dashboard Report 06/07 Primary attendance rating; GOOD HCS 33/LAA 5/BVPI 46			
	attendance targets set by	Penalty Notice.		Target	Outturn	
	government. EWS to plot issuing of Penalty Notice Warnings		2004/05 (baseline)		5.2%	
	against Penalty Notices related to		2005/06	4.90%	5.05%	
	individual schools, Key stages,		2006/07*	4.50%	5.67%	
	year groups etc.		2007/08	4.0%	TBA	
	Use of Parenting Contracts	Parenting classes now	*DfES has advised to absence rate maybe one off infectious illr term.	attributal	ole to the	
<	(voluntary agreement), Parenting Orders (via magistrates court), Parenting Classes EWS to operate Parenting Classes from September 2006.	scheduled to start in January 07	term.			
	EWS to provide extra support to ten schools with lowest whole attendance in county monitored on a half-termly basis.	Targeted work at 6 high and 35 primary schools.				
	Truancy Sweeps to be conducted on half-termly basis.					

 Advertising campaign on city buses aimed at parent/carers for 8 weeks from September 2006. Use of questionnaires to assess effectiveness. Poster campaign in all schools from early in next school year. Members of EWS to raise profile of service in schools via assemblies, leaflets etc. To form part of SLA with each school. To be reviewed termly. 	Campaign completed. Analysis to follow.	
'Book bag' scheme advertising EWS in all library outlets and 'book mark' scheme advertising EWS in Excellence Cluster schools from September. To be reviewed at end of each term.	In all libraries	
Half-termly meetings between Principal EWO and primary school heads in Excellence cluster to review attendance targets and behaviour plan.	Delayed	
Use LPSA2 funding to recruit an additional EWO from September 2006. Review effectiveness on annual basis.		

2. Absenteeism in	1	Action as above			Target	Outturn	GS/SMc
secondary schools:	2		2	2004/05		7.8%	L/PC
Reduction in number of half day sessions			2	2005/06 (baseline)		7.61%	
missed due to			2	2006/07	7.00%	7.9%	
authorised and			2	2007/08	6.00%		
unauthorised absence as a % of total number of sessions in secondary schools			E () / / / / / / / / / / / / / / / / / /	BVPI 45/LAA 6/HCS 06/07 Outturn: (05/0 Authorised absence: Herefordshire: 7.9% Statistical Neighbour National: 5.3% Unauthorised absent Herefordshire: 1.4% England: 1.3%	6 34 6 academ : rs MEAN: ce:		
				DfES RAG Dashboa Secondary attendan			

3. Absenteeism of Looked after Children to be reduced. (a) Number of children	2	 From September: All LAC to be monitored half termly. Schools to provide absence data. LAC with problematic attendance 	•	LAC in secondary schools monitored by EWS and data supplied on a bi-weekly basis. See above, children of	(a) APA 3074SC/HCS 35a/LAA7 PAF CF/C24			GS/SMc L/PC/AB
looked after by Herefordshire continuously for at least 12 months and were of school age, who missed a total of at least 25 days of schooling for any reason during the previous year (expressed as a percentage).		to be monitored weekly/ bi-weekly in the first instance.		concern in primary and residential schools monitored as above by attendance monitoring officer.	2004/05 (baseline) 2005/06 2006/07 2007/08 2008/09 2009/10	Target 11.6% 9% 9% 8.5% 8%	Outturn 12.6% 9.2% 10.5%	-
(b) The number of half- day sessions missed due to authorised and unauthorised absence expressed as a percentage of total number of sessions in		EWO to be in daily attendance at schools for LAC with long-term attendance problems when indicated.			(b) LAA 8/HSC 35b	·		
primary schools by children looked after by Herefordshire continuously for at least 12 months during the previous year		 To establish closer links with EWS by September 2006. Create a mechanism to collate absence data from schools that arrives in a number of different formats by December 2006. 	•	Meeting monthly Mechanism established and working well.	2004/05* (baseline) 2005/06 2006/07 2007/08 2008/09 3 year average	4.65% 4.45% 4.25% 4.25% 4.5%	4.68% 4.02% 3.49%	- - - - -
		See actions above for primary and secondary absenteeism generally.						

(c) The number of half- day sessions missed due to authorised and				(c) LAA 9/HCS 350	3			
unauthorised absence					Target	Outturn		
expressed as a				2004/05*		7.66%		
percentage of total				2005/06	7.6%	8.51%		
number of sessions in secondary schools by				2006/07	7.2%	6.79%		
children looked after				2007/08	7.0%			
by Herefordshire				2008/09	7.0%			
continuously for at				3 year average	7.0%			
least 12 months during the previous year				* Academic year 03	3/04			
4. Percentage of pupils with 5 A*-C including Maths and English	1 2	Use secondary strategy staff and expertise to:		Initial analysis by la data.	ate Sept us	ing QCA	GS	
mano ana Englion		Analyse and interpret individual school and pupil attainment data.		Detailed analysis by late Oct				
		Identify schools below national floor targets at KS3 English, Maths, Science	No schools in this category Target setting data p and SIS team by autubreak. Targets set by schools.			autumn half term		
		Identify schools with low KS2 – KS3 Contextual Value Added (CVA) and conversion rates.		years examination May 08 examinatio	n cohort.	JV 06 101		
		Data is provided by QCA, NCER late August – October.		BVPI 38/HCS 31/L	AA 15			
		_			Targe	t Outturn		
		Target consultant teaching &					_	
		learning and leadership support in		2004/05 (baseline)		45.4%	_	
		identified schools		2005/06	47.5%		_	
				2006/07	51.6%	48.3%		
				2007/08	54%			

			06/07 Outturn: (05/0 Stat Neighbours ME National: 45.8% DfES RAG Dashboa 5 A* - C equivalent 2 Maths: GOOD Total % improvemen & Maths (2005 – 200	AN: 46.3% rd Report 2006% inc	% 06/07 : Eng & C inc Eng	
5. Percentage of all pupils in LEA schools achieving 5 or more 5A* - G grades at GCSE, or equivalent accredited vocational or alternative curriculum qualification	1 2	 Use Secondary Strategy Staff and expertise to: Analyse and interpret individual school and pupil related performance data for all secondary schools Identify schools below the national floor targets at KS3 Maths, Science & English Identify schools with low contextual value added (CVA)between KS2 – KS3, KS3 – KS4 & KS2 – KS4 identify schools with low conversion rates from KS2 – KS3 – KS4. identify schools with low or declining performance in 5A*-G grades. Target consultant teaching, learning & leadership support at the identified schools or departments. 	Academic Targets at and school inspector term for the following I.e. Targets for 2008 during the autumn to in line with DfES prabeyond 2007 have n schools and as such alteration Target setting data pand SIS team by aut break for review. 2005/06 2006/07 2007/08 06/07 Outturn: (05/0 National 90.5%	rs each aug academ /2009 will erm of 200 ctice. Tar ot been will be subrovided to turn half Target 93% 95%	ottumn ic year. be set 07. This is rgets erified by ubject to 0 schools term Outturn 88% 93.7%	GS

6. Improve educational attainment of Looked After Children.	1 2 3	 Analysis of cohorts and learning support needs Additional support provided where required Monitor progress regularly 		Ensure there is a Personal Education Plan for all Looked After Children to be used as the basis for targeting individual support.			SMcL/J D/AB
					Target	Outturn	
				% of CLA with PEP		750/	-
				2005/06 (baseline)		75%	
				2006/07 target	85%	TBA	
				2007/08 target	100%		
7. Improve measures of healthy lifestyles for teenagers – participation in activities (sports/physical exercise, recreational activities). % of 11-15 s.	2 3	Children and young people have access to enhanced leisure and pastime opportunities.	 Lifestyle survey undertaken during October. Results of analysis due in January. 	Establish Baseline fro	·	•	JR
8. Quality of Life – Activities for teenagers CP	1 2 3	Children and young people have access to enhanced leisure and pastime opportunities.	 Lifestyle survey undertaken during October. Results of analysis due in January. 	School / club links resources to development Extended Schools an met. Baseline from Custom Survey 2006 and Lifest Progress/Targets TBA	sustain d Service ner Satisfa style Surv	leisure s targets action	JR/RH

Raise attainment at KS2 performance in '05.	1 2	Young people achieve better results. Further action to be advised.	Value added between Key Stage 1-2 improved. Increase in L4 plus.		Herefordshire VA measure: 05/06 99.8				
			Improved proportion of pupils in LA schools in		Eng	Maths	Science	=	
			the previous summer	2004/05	81%	75.9%	88%		
			achieving Level 4 or above in KS2 Maths.	2005/06 2006/07 target	81.1% 81%	75.1% 82%	87.9% No Govt target	_	
			Improved proportion of pupils in LA schools in	2007/08 target	81%	84%			
			the previous summer achieving Level 4 or above in KS2 English.	DfES RAG Sum of the Eng & Mat	e % of pu	upils achie	eving L4+ in		
					006): NE		ing & Maths NIFICANT		
				Diff DfES I Neighbour NEEDS IM	average	Eng & N	Statistical Maths 2006:		
				2006/07 outturn	E	nglish	Maths	1	
				Herefordsl		0.7%	75.6%		
				Stat neighbours		0%	76%		
				National	79	9%	76%		

10. Raising the attainment of low-achievers in KS4.	1 2	Young people achieve better results. Schools are supported to maximise potential for achievement.	Improved results for A-G (LPSA2)	or 1 or mor	e GCSEs	GS
				Target	Outturn	1
			2006/07	90%	98.3%	
			2007/08	90%		
			APA 3072SC/ PAI young people lea or over with at le A*-G or a GNVQ	ving care	aged 16	
				Target	Outturn	
			2005/06		91.7%	
			2006/07	90%	76.5%	
			2007/08	90%		
			APA 3071SC/ DIS children LAC who 11 who were elig equiv) examinatione GCSE equiva	o were pur ible for GC ons who sa	oils in Yr SE (or at at least	
				Target	Outturn	-
			2005/06		82.4%	
			2006/07	85%	84.6%	
			2007/08	85%		
			2008/09	86%		
			2009/10	87%		

				APA 3073SC/ DIS 1 people leaving car with 5 or more GC or a GNVQ	e aged 16	or over	
					Target	Outturn	
				2005/06		8.3%	
				2006/07	10%	5.9%	
				2007/08	10%		
				2008/09	10%		
				2009/10	10%		
11. % of 3 year olds who have access to a good quality free early years education place	1 2	Maximise uptake of 3 years olds.	Target being met	Uptake of 3 year of HCS 66/ LAA 13 2005/06 (baseline) 2006/07 2007/08	Target 85% 85%	Outturn 85% 85%	GS

		ECM Outcome Are	a: Positive Contribution				
Outcome / key requirements	CYP Plan Yr	Priority Actions	Progress	Success	Success measures		
Reduce the number of first time entrants to the Youth Justice System in	1 2 3	From 1 st April 06, expansion of Children's Fund (CF) panel via YOS Prevention Grant to ensure full geographical coverage within		Reduce by 5% by 20 time entrants into the system by 2% between	stice	КВа	
Herefordshire (CS&		Herefordshire and expansion of			Target	Outturn	1
DS)		age range to include young people aged 8-17 years old.		05/06 (Baseline)		342	_
				2006/07	335	396	1
		Increase in Parenting prevention work within YOS via recruitment of 2 nd YOS parenting worker and development/implementation of revised YOS parenting strategy.	2 nd Parenting Worker in place. Revised YOS parenting guidance in place for March 2007.				
		Develop and implement Restorative Justice strategy within YOS and recruit Restorative Justice worker from April 2007.	On track – interim RJ worker in post, recruitment commenced for permanent worker. RJ workshops to develop action plan held December.				

		Continue to develop the Prevent and Deter (P&D) strand of the Prolific and Other Priority Offender (PPO) Strategy and ensure P&D panel is effective.	On track – through P&D Steering Group. RAG assessment of P&D submitted to GOWM in March 07 as amber/green.				
		Ensure linkages exist between work within the PPO strategy (P&D), Anti Social Behaviour Strategy (ASB), CF panels and developments within Children's Services prevention approaches.	 On track – through P&D Steering and Operational Group. Explore link between P&D and CAF (May 07) with a view to integrating systems Jan 08. 				
2. Reduce the number of young people who re-offend	1	Analyse ASSET data for October to December 2005 cohort to identify 2006/7 priority offending risk factors by April 2007.	To be replaced (see below)	Achieve a 5% reductive rate for 2006 comparate for 2006 comparate for 2006 comparate for these are not called offenders' in a 3-monoton for two years). LAA 36	red with 2 ndar year	002. but 're-	КВа
		Develop strategies to address the 2005/6 risk factors identified by June 2006.	To be replaced (see below)	2002/04 (baseline) 2003/05 2006/07	Target 53.5% 45%	Outturn 47% 50%*	- - -
				*Outturn 2006/07 (2	004 cohor	t) - 50%	

	Implementation of new risk policy including risk led planning framework by March 2007.	On track. Improvements are beginning to be delivered. This is against changes to police recording that is increasing crime reporting.	(Provisional) YOS and Police School liaison Officers develop preventative programmes in schools to address crime, disorder, antisocial behaviour and drug misuse and its consequences. No of programmes delivered.
	Review the effectiveness of the implementation of the risk led approach and identify strategies for ensuring this is fully integrated across all YOS practice by September 2006.	Review completed - Action Plan in place.	
	Complete a detailed study of recidivism rates to identify whether the YOS and its partners are effectively contributing to the reduction of youth crime by March 2007.	To be deleted – feasibility study result – not cost effective.	
	 Extend the Risk Led Approach into YOS Preventative Services by September 2006. 	Work ongoing slippage in timescale.	

Co-ordinate and develop group work and individual programmes for work with low /medium/high Risk Young People by March 2007.	On track – regular group work sessions have been held within Herefordshire YOT since December 2006. 20 medium risk young people have completed programmes. High-risk young people seen individually. New focus on medium risk offenders being developed with police for 07/08.	
 Increase the number of Pathways staff trained to use the group work and individual programmes. All YOS staff to be trained in Pathways by March 2007. 	On track. 9/12 staff have completed training. Remaining staff to complete a service wide mop up training session. Local implementation plan being developed.	

3.	Develop family support and systems of early identification of children for all ages at risk of crime, disorder, anti-social behaviour and drug use	1 2 3	Intensive family support available. Family Support Strategy to include support for parents of children and young people in the identified vulnerable groups	On track	No of Parenting programmes run TBA Numbers of families identified TBA Targets to be advised.			SMcL/A H/JD
4.	% of young people who feel Herefordshire Council does enough to give opportunity to influence decisions)	1 2 3	Young people are empowered to contribute to decision-making and are aware of how they can do this.	On track using Youth Survey to be undertaken May-July 2007	HCS 69/ LAA 18 2003 (baseline) 2005 2007	Target	Outturn 13.8% 19.2%	AH/JR
5.	Proportion of 13 - 18 year olds who feel they can influence decisions affecting local services.	1 2 3	Young people are empowered to contribute to decision-making and are aware of how they can do this.	On track using Youth Survey to be undertaken May-July 2007	Baseline to be establ 2007 Youth survey	ished thr	ough	AH/JR
6.	% of CYP volunteering	1 2 3	More young people contributing positively to community needs.	On track using .Youth Survey	Baseline to be establ 2007 Youth Survey a Lifestyles Survey. (M	nd Teena	age	AH/JR

Outcome / key requirements	CYP Plan Yr	Priority action	Progress	Success measures		Lead	
Improve housing provision for both single young people and families (JAR)	1	To acquire 6 additional properties (single accommodation units) to extend housing options for care leavers by May 2007 complete with 10 hours per week support from SHYPP.	All 6 acquired, 3 already in use. The other 3 will be shortly. All with floating support.	Provide 6 additional units of accommodation for care leavers by May 2007 Improved further preventive information and advice service.		RG	
		Recruit an Aftercare Coordinator and Accommodation Project Workers by November, 2006.	Accommodation Worker recruited November. Aftercare Co-ordinator starts January.	No of families housed in B&B		JD	
		Recruit and train 5 additional supportive lodgings providers by April, 2007.		2005/06(Baseline) 2006/07	Target 0	Outturn 40 7	
				No of families with in B&B for more that	an 6 week	S	
				2005/06 (baseline)	Target	Outturn 28	1
				2006/07	0	0	1

2. Increase % of all 16-18 year olds in education, employment or training.	1 2 3	 Maximise the take up by Y11 leavers and by those who are already NEET of existing opportunities in 6th forms, FE, training, E2E and pre-E2E, including canvassing, clearing house systems and job club activities. In preparation for 2010 target, produced revised baseline figures using new counting arrangements. Mar 07 	Nov NEET target exceeded. 4.4% achieved.		RL/ST/S F
		 Work with partners e.g. HCT to develop and deliver additional provision for some NEET young people. Provide targeted support for those young people facing barriers to becoming EET-ready e.g. help with housing, personal development programmes, joint Connexions – Youth Service pilots. 	 Additional opportunities provided through: Fire and Rescue. Redspace Youth Counselling Trust Youth Express 	Increase % of key vulnerable groups in EET:- Nov '10 teenage mothers 60% Dec '08 young people 16+ supervised by YOS 93%	
		 Encourage schools to use NEET DVD and supporting material produced by Connexions and Rural Media. Collate Y11 destination information by institution and County and distribute. 	Distributed in January	 Annual increase in % of positive Y11 destinations. (2005 baseline 94.4%). 	

- Analyse 16+ achievement data alongside a breakdown of current provision to enhance 14-19 planning.
 Get hold of and study a breakdown of 16 cochievement.
- Get hold of and study a breakdown of 16+ achievement data for 2006. By end Nov 06.
- Agree basis and arrangement for analysing current provision on a similar basis to the achievement data. By end Dec '06.
- Complete analysis, agree areas for action and incorporate in 14-19 Strategy and planning. By end March '07.
- Agree and implement performance framework for 14-19 provision, including recruitment, retention and progression rates by provider and County.
- Include detailed consideration of a performance framework in the review of the 14-19 Strategy. Consideration to include data to be included, timing and arrangements for collection and responsibility for analysis. End March '07.
- Agreed performance framework implemented. Year 2.

14-19 Strategy in the process of being updated, including arrangements for 14-19 planning, performance framework and student feedback.

 Range and level of 14-19 provision meets the needs of all young people, including those from vulnerable groups.

- Annual reduction in 16-18 year olds in jobs without training (Nov '05 baseline 18.7%) Dec 06 – 17.4%
- Annual increase in % 16-18 year olds in learning (Nov '05 baseline 70.6%).

HCS 40/ LAA 2 - % of 16-18 year olds NOT in Education, Employment or Training

	Target	Outturn
2006/07	4.9%	4.3%
2007/08	5.3%	
2008/09	5.0%	
2009/10	4.7%	

 Establish baseline for student satisfaction with their programme and IAG support and for external inspection grades. Agree content and method of surveying student satisfaction with their programme and IAG support. By end March '07. Agree arrangements for completion and analysis of survey. By end March '07. Agree basis for analysing inspection grades, the timescale and lead responsibility for analysis. By end March '07. Implement survey/arrangements for analysis, identify areas for improvement and agree action/targets for subsequent years. By end Summer Term '07. 	
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2 Impropos vermbor of		 Produce County Plan for personal development and volunteering activities, setting out mix and quantity of provision required. Agree a framework for the development and delivery of activities. Coverage to include consideration of personal qualities and interpersonal skills developed, experiences and accessibility. By end March '07. Map existing provision against framework. Year 2. Agree priorities for development and lead responsibilities. Year 2. 		people, help to skills.	unities availablincluding thos develop their e	e who need employability	JD
3. Increase number of LAC's who are in EET's	2	Actions as in 3 above with particular focus on LAC. Recruit an Aftercare Co-ordinator.	Recruitment Complete	and trainin working] (l	Employment of care lead BVPI 161) ratio of LAC i Target 16 (0.96) 12 (0.98) 15 (0.98)	vers [joint	JD

4. Ensure that	1	Consult with schools, colleges,	Transition Plan in place	RL
information, advice	2	training providers and others on	Transition Flat in place	
and guidance (IAG)	_	current provision.	Plan produced and consulted on.	
provision for 14-19		· ·	Than produced and consulted on.	
		Agree and implement a Transition Plan Indiana.	Droppostus fully mosts a national	
year olds meets		Transition Plan between	Prospectus fully meets a national	
national quality		Connexions and Children's	specification and on course for	
standards.		Services.	publication in May, 2007.	
		 Develop common set of 		
		standards for the Specialist		
		Diploma Gateway and Careers		
		Quality Mark.		
		Assess local standards against		
		national standards		
		 Agree plan to enable all learning 		
		providers to achieve standards.		
		Agree software and resources		
		available to produce Area		
		Prospectus. Appoint staff and		
		gather data.		
5. Ensure better co-	1	 Transitions steering group with 	Needs analysis / commissioning plan in	MP/AH
ordinated transition	2	adults' service to be set up to	place and joint transitions strategy with	
planning for all		develop strategy.	adult services	
children with learning		Appoint new transitions workers		
difficulties and		& Implement new processes	Joint protocol in place between adults	
disabilities and focus		5p. 5 p. 233366	and children's services.	
on Post 16 strategy			Appointment of new transitions workers	
			& Implement new processes	





OUTCOME AREA: BE HEALTHY

1. Background Summary

The CYP Plan sets out in the "Be Healthy" section the comments of JAR on strengths and improvements needed; and sections on "where we want to be"; "how we are going to get there"; and "how we will know we are making progress". From all of these a delivery plan was constructed and this has formed the basis for priority development work in 2006/2007, although other programmes of work have been maintained. At the same time, a specific JAR improvement plan has been delivered in close co-operation with the West Midlands Government Office Improvement Board.

2. Priority Areas 2006/2007

Progress has been made against all the priority areas set out in the CYP Plan and its delivery plan. Inevitably this has been made at a faster rate in some areas than in others. Those areas where faster progress has been made include:

- Actions to tackle childhood obesity
- Actions to improve dental health
- Increasing availability of sexual health services
- Encouraging breast feeding among teenage mothers
- Encouraging breast feeding among women living in South Wye, the most socially deprived area
- Ensuring priority access to CAMHS for the most vulnerable groups
- Development of respite care
- Improvements in occupational therapy
- Increasing the number of schools achieving Healthy Schools status
- Consulting with staff, special interest groups, parents, carers, and children and young people with disabilities
- Developing joint care pathways for priority groups of children with special needs, such as epilepsy, ASD, and Down's syndrome
- Employment of additional family support workers for children with learning difficulties and disabilities
- Increase in numbers of assessments undertaken by learning disability team, by 150% over 6 months

However, slower progress has been made in some of the areas, which were identified within the Children and Young People's Plan. These include:

- Creating an integrated acute and community paediatric service. Given changes in the broader policy and political context, this is now unlikely to be achieved by merging the two parts of the service, which currently sit in two different organisations (Acute Trust and PCT). Instead, work on agreeing joint care pathways is in hand and still developing.
- Improving the capacity of the Drugs Action Team. Continued staff vacancy has impeded this, and the Zig Zag Service continues to attract a red rating in its regional review. This will be actively addressed in 2007/2008 through the Community Safety Partnership.

- Developing services for children and young people with conduct disorders. This has been delayed pending the recruitment of medical staff but two newly appointed staff will take this forward.
- Reducing hospital admissions from accidents. This has been delayed due to capacity issues in the Public Health department caused by the continued failure to recruit a Director of Public Health. This priority will be reviewed by the 'Be Healthy' sub-group.

3. Impact

In general, work in the "Be Healthy" outcome area has continued to build on its "good" rating in the JAR. The health of children and young people continues to be good and there continues to be effective promotion of healthy lifestyles. The work of health professionals continues to be delivered in the context of an understanding of the varied needs of different children and young people and the imperative to target services appropriately at the most vulnerable.

Much progress was achieved against the plan in 2006/2007. However, in many instances it is too soon to demonstrate an impact on outcomes because the effort this year has been on establishing reliable baseline data. For example, the Healthy Lifestyles Survey carried out in High Schools and the weighing and measuring of all year 6 and Reception year children have both been completed with excellent response rates and these will provide a robust baseline dataset against which to measure impact in future years.

Other pieces of successfully completed work, which will not yet have delivered an impact on outcomes, include:

- The significant increase in the numbers of schools achieving Healthy Schools status;
- Increases in the availability of school nurse drop-ins;
- Increases in generic tier 1 CAMHS training;
- Improvements in occupational therapy services;
- Production of a CAMHS strategy agreed through the multi-agency CAMHS partnership;
- Production of the first draft of a disability strategy.

In other areas, impacts of the implementation of the Children and Young People's Plan can be more clearly seen. For example:

- The uptake of respite care for children and young people with learning disabilities has increased;
- Waiting times for CAMHS have dropped significantly;
- Breast feeding rates among women in the most deprived parts of the county have increased;
- Uptake of MMR immunisation at 2 years has increased;
- Occupational therapy services have increased.

4. Next Steps 2007/2008

In 2007/2008 the "Be Healthy" sub-group will continue to ensure the existing delivery plan is progressed. It will also prepare for a new Children and Young People's Plan in April 2008. It will produce a tighter "Be Healthy" section with outcomes and performance indicators more clearly identified and matched to actions and priorities.

Areas of particular priority in 2007/2008 are:

- Developing an action plan to reduce hospital admissions for accidents
- Producing an agreed final draft of a strategy for children and young people with disability
- Introduction of chlamydia screening programme and satellite sexual health clinics
- Agreeing a care pathway for overweight and obese children and young people
- Strengthening the DAT
- Developing a fuller set of shared protocols for integrated care between primary and secondary health sectors.



CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE'S PLAN DELIVERY PLAN 07/08

ECM /NSF Outcome Area: BE HEALTHY								
Outcome / key requirements	CY P Pla n Yr	Priority actions	Lead	Progress	Success measu	ires		
Maximise uptake of childhood immunisation	1 2 3	Annual community pharmacy leaflet campaigns	FH	Community pharmacy campaign planned for Summer Term 2007	Percentage of 2 year olds who are to date with MMR immunisation f 2004/2005 baseline.			
		Offer informed choice to all parents through health visiting support		Health visiting support in place. Introduction of new childhood vaccination programme in September 2006 a risk but gives opportunity for full discussions	2004/2005 (baseline) 2005/2006 2006/07 8 2007/08 8	arget Outturn 78.5% 81.5% 3% TBA 5% BA		
2. Increase in percentage of babies who are breast fed at 6 weeks in the county. CP	1 2 3	 Introduce new breastfeeding policy. Encourage breast feeding through all ante-natal and post-natal contacts 	HB/SH	 Consultation on draft policy now completed. One outstanding area to resolve on storage of breast milk, where HHT policy is being reviewed in the light of NICE guidance. On-going. Enhanced (Unicef) training programme now underway. See prior reference 06/07 	Increase in percentage of babies ware breast fed at 6 weeks compare with a 2004/2005 baseline. (LAA 11a/HCS20)			

3.	Increase in percentage of babies born to South Wye mothers who are breast-fed.	1 2 3	•	Establish intensive breast feeding support project, focusing on all teenage mothers in Herefordshire and all mothers in South Wye	JQ	•	Project established. Project lead and 4 peer support workers in post.	Increase in percentare breast fed at 6 with a 2004/2005 batter (LAA 11/HCS 216)	veeks, co	ompared Outturn
								2004/05 (baseline) 2005/06		33.1% 41.2%
								2006/07*	33%	35.5%
								2007/08	40%	33.376
								2008/09	TBA	
4.	% of babies born to teenage mothers who are breastfeeding at 6	1 2 3	•	Establish intensive breast feeding support project, focusing on all teenage mothers in Herefordshire and	JQ	•	Project established. Project lead and 4 peer support workers in post.	*as at Feb 2007 – Final 2006/07 outturn due end of June 2007. Increase in percentage of babie are breast fed at 6 weeks, compute with a 2004/2005 baseline:		bies who
	weeks			all mothers in South Wye					Target	Outturn
								2004/05 (baseline)		22.1%
								2005/06		12.9%
								2006/07 *	25%	15.3%
								2007/08	30%	
								2008/09	TBA	
								 as at Sept 2006 Final 2006/07 outturn 2007. 	n at end o	f June

5. Improvement in % of 5 year olds free from dental decay	1 2 3	•	Begin option appraisal to fluoridate the water supply	FH	•	Feasibility study has now been commissioned by the SHA from Welsh Water, having secured approval from PCT Board and LA Health Scrutiny Committee support. Dental survey planned for 2007/2008.	Increase in percent free from dental de 2001/02 (baseline) 2006/07 2007/08 2008/09		Outturn 58% TBA		
6. Reducing year on year rise in obesity among children under 11 by 2010 (no	1 2 3	•	Introduce height and weight measurement of children in Reception and Year 6	SW	•	All children in Year reception and Year 6 were weighed and measured Summer 2006, achieving the second highest uptake in the West Midlands.	Reducing obesity I children aged 5 and 2006/07 (baseline)	Target	s.		
until September	ntil September • Identifying target schools for	•	• 4		Identifying target schools for		•	Analysis of data currently	2007/08	TBA TBA	
2006)				underway. Health Improvement Manager with special responsibility for tackling obesity appointed December 2006. Discussions with Heads scheduled for Summer Term 2007.	(HCS 22d link)	1.5.4					

7. Reducing teenage conceptions by 50% from 1998 (baseline) by 2010.(LAA)	1 2 3	particularly high rates Extend 4Us clinics	Teena ge pregn ancy Lead	of 10% reduction was achieved with 2004/2005 figures. Rolling average for 3 years 2002/2004 is 34.7	50% from 199		2010. ,000
				 Hot spots being targeted using teenaged pregnancy grant. Teenage Pregnancy Coordinator post was vacant for a short time but recruitment now complete. 		-19% (30.1) -24% (28.2) -40% (22.3) roving but not in nationally – (P	
		Implement teenage pregnancy strategy		Teenage pregnancy strategy being implemented and monitored via a new multiagency group, Sexual Wellbeing and Health Network, which reports to CYPP.			

8.	Reduce hospital admission rates for accidents among children.	1 2 3	•	Identify reliable database Scope level of accidental injury	FH	•	Work in progress. Work in progress, to be completed when additional public health capacity is recruited. (Agreement now secured). Recruitment expected July 2007.	Targets are based o	admissions. 2002 baseline was 3 Targets are based on achieving a reduction in this figure by 08-9. Target O 2002 (baseline) 34 T 2007/08 324	
			•	Identify action plan		•	Action Plan to be drawn up once the data analysis has been done.			
9.	Ensure effective implementation of the multi-agency healthcare planning procedures for looked after children	1	•	LAC have access to all services and support required to deliver the best possible outcomes for them.	AC	•	This target is being collated it is anticipated that we will be marginally short of the 93% target.	Percentage of LAC v Health of Looked a 1037SC/PAF CF/C1 2005/06 2006/07 2007/08 2008/09 2006/2007 – 100% of achieved.	Target 93% 94% 95% of 0-5 year	Outturn 90.7% 90.2% TBA TBA s
			•	Development locally on Healthy Care Standard.		•	National Healthy Care Standard now adopted by Partnership Board and being implemented.	First draft of healthy to consultation. Aud 2007/2008.		

10. Ensure appropriate social care support for	1 2	•	Effective family support and casework in place for all children with disabilities &/or	MP	•	Permanent social worker post taken up November 2006.	Increase in no of	breaks pro	ovided.
the families of			learning disability and their		•	Further 0.5wte post has been filled.		Target	Outturn
children with learning difficulties and			families/carers		Number of assessments undertaken by team has	March 06 (baseline) 2006/07	70	63 TBA	
disabilities.						increased by 150% over last 6 months.	2007/08	77	15/1
aloubilitioo!						Input and support to families	2008/09	85	
		4			•	increased through employment of two additional family support workers. A pilot single referral process has been put in place across the Kite Centre and CDC at Ross Road. Review of current Short Breaks provision undertaken and specification for new service drawn up. Funding to the team has been increased.	Local care pathwa linking to CAF pro- No of CAF and AF completed – TBA (Summer 07)	cesses.	nt

		1.45		
11. Improve communication with parents and young people with learning difficulties and disabilities in terms of both the assessment of need and planning of provision.	 Clear information in place for children, young people and families/carers through all available systems Consultation system in place for children, young people and families with clear standards and requirements in place 	MP	 Workshop took place. 10 parents came and fully participated. Led by Philippa Russell, from National Council of Disabled Children. Outcome now being incorporated in next version of Disability Strategy. Information sharing across agencies with an interest in communication, consultation and user involvement. 	
			 Questionnaire developed and sent to 100 parent/carers across county. Analysis of the questionnaires will form the basis of developing strategies for user involvement and consultation. Questionnaire response rate achieved, findings being into the strategy. 	
			 Participation in open evenings at special schools to seek parent/carer views and those of young people. Drop-in sessions also available at school. Draft information pack Two learning disability nurse service, going in to special sregular basis. First draft complete, now being the participation of the participation of the participation in open evenings at special schools to seek parent/carer views and those of young people. Drop-in sessions also available at school. 	schools on a
			containing local information for parents/carers is in preparation. Care pathways have been developed for a number of specific groups of children. Care pathways have been children with communication Older children underway. Chearing impairment.	nnects. , younger a disorders.

				Currently consultation about the future provision of specialist services out to members of the public and staff and special interest groups.	New build consultation successfully completed.
12. Improve access to hospital in-patient provision to meet children and young people's mental health needs (tier 4 CAMHS)	1	 Agree a multi-agency CAMHS strategy to include commissioning of Tier 4 services locally, given regional capacity problems. Enhanced access to Tier 4 services. A range of acute service provision in place locally 	MP	 Multi-agency strategy has been completed and is being submitted to CYPPB for approval. Tier 4 commissioning is dealt with at regional level and a meeting with the SCA based at GOWM has been requested to further discuss whether or not this should continue to form part of our on-going monitoring. Spot purchasing of tier 4 services is to be reviewed as part of the joint commissioning work programme. 	Completed and agreed by CAMHS Strategy Group. Meeting took place in February 2007, acknowledged as a regional problem to be taken forward at intermediate tier level. Underway, led by commissioning team, based at PCT. Progress towards a comprehensive children & adolescent mental health service (APA 1043SC/ PAF A70) Target Outturn 2005/06 N/A 12 2006/07 15 15 2007/08 16 2008/09 16 Further progress dependant upon development of regional strategy – Progress TBA

13. Increase the number of schools achieving the Healthy Schools Standard from the 2005 base.	1 2	Having set up a Strategic Steering Group for Healthy Schools, to review the structrof this to ensure accurate representation of partners. The group will monitor impact against their own KPIs and the work of HHSP. This will be done through discussion between key members of the group and plan for the year.	et he	Strategic steering group meeting has revised its membership and meets regularly. An operational group has been established and its terms of reference and membership have been reviewed and agreed. Increase in numbers which have achieved 2005/06 (Baseline) 2005/06 (Baseline) 2006/07 2007/08 2008/09 (National targets have the meaning and provided in the provided	Target Outturn 51 51 61 81 101 e been set and will
		Establishing a PSHE coordinators group in line with the findings of the NCB. The will ensure the quality provitor of PSHE, as well as ensuring the use of updates and resources.	ion	PHSE Co-ordinators' Group will be established once Healthy Schools moves to new office premises early 2007. Meanwhile, a password protected area has been established on the website for PHSE co-ordinators to speak electronically to each other. This went live 22.11.06. New premises move complete.	any and
14. Improve measures of Healthy lifestyles for teenagers		Focus on; • Smoking rates • Substance use / abuse (alco and drugs)	FH	Autumn lifestyle survey has been completed. Analysis is now complete and currently being disseminated amongst partners. Decrease in smoking substance use. 2006/07 Progress – Freceived and baselin confirmation and tar (HCS 22a +22f)	Results of TLS e, Indicator

15. Reduce rate of sexually transmitted infections		•	Monitor current rates and ensure all partners including Healthy Schools, primary care practitioners, community pharmacists and school nursing work together to reduce rates.	MC	•	Current DH rates being monitored but discussion underway about local rates, which are meaningful in the context of a planned increase in clinic time, which will aim to increase STI detection in the short-term.	Reduction in numbe under 20 year olds. this figure to have in short-term as we expresservices for young proceed this as an interinidentify and treat procundiagnosed infection therefore relatively in the HCS 23/ LAA 44	We would creased in cand and leople. We meet success eviously on. The tandest.	d expect the improve e would as we rgets are
							2006/07 2007/08 2008/09	278 271 264	Outturn TBA
16. Reduce the number of 0-15 year olds killed or seriously injured in road traffic collisions in Herefordshire. (CSDSP)	1 2 3	•	Fewer young people involved in road accidents.	FH	•	Extensive programme of work underway on road safety including Safety Camera Partnership)PCT and LA are signatories), where evaluation shows significant effect.	1994/98 (AV baseline) 2006/07 2007/08 2008/09 Reduction in the nu killed or seriously it traffic accidents by from 1994-8 baseling	injured in v 50% by 2	19 13 children road

OUTCOME AREA: STAY SAFE

1. Background Summary

Following the Joint Area Review (JAR) in 2005 and the recommendations made in relation to the Stay Safe outcome, the Children and Young People's Directorate has worked together with its partner agencies so that all children and young people in Herefordshire are provided with services to ensure that they are safe.

The JAR Action Plan has now been completed and signed off, and Government Office West Midlands (GOWM) have indicated that they are satisfied with progress in relation to this service area.

Further work has been carried out to formally establish Herefordshire Safeguarding Children Board (HSCB) and a Business Manager has now been appointed to support the work of HSCB.

There has been good development with embedding the Child Concern Model within all agencies in Herefordshire and this is now moving forward with the roll out of the Common Assessment Framework (CAF). This is currently being piloted geographically in the South Wye area and also with children with disabilities across the county. Early feedback suggests that partner agencies and families have found this involvement helpful and reassuring.

The safeguarding of children is the responsibility of the whole of the professional community and overall partnership working has been strengthened over the last year. This is demonstrated within the realms of the Child Concern Model and again presently with the multi agency engagement of staff members within the CAF pilot, where there is a commitment amongst agencies to ensure that this works in the best interest of children and young people and their families.

The number of referrals has increased significantly over the last year, exceeding targets set. Whilst the overall number of assessments has also increased, the volume of work has resulted in some pressure on initial and core assessment timescales.

2. Priority Areas 2006/2007

HSCB is currently overseeing progress relating to the Stay Safe outcome working alongside the Children and Young People's Partnership Board (CYPPB).

Training and support for staff will remain a high priority and will be reviewed as necessary depending on the needs of individual services and emerging legislation.

New HSCB Safeguarding Procedures are currently being developed in line with the requirements of Working Together 2006 and will be appropriately linked into single agency protocols and procedures so that all children in Herefordshire will be safe from abuse and neglect.

A draft Children and Young People's Workforce Strategy is currently being consulted upon and this is considered crucial to support the delivery of the Children and Young People's Plan.

It is recognised that more families need help at an earlier stage with support being offered before crisis point and this forms the basis of the Support for Families Strategy, which is currently being developed.

Following the evaluation of the CAF pilot, this will be rolled out across the county. This will then be audited to ensure that all agencies are fully engaging and that an action plan is developed to address any issues identified.

The HSCB Business Plan for 2007/08 will be monitored closely throughout the year using a 'traffic light' system to highlight any areas where there are concerns about progress and extra input is required.

3. Impact

As part of the overall Children and Young People's Workforce Strategy, the implementation of the Social Worker Recruitment and Retention Strategy meant that the target of 50 Social Workers in post by March 2007 was achieved earlier in the month, but this had slipped back slightly by the end of the month due to fluctuations related to agency staff. At the end of April this had risen to 49.4 and on the basis of recent appointments is expected to rise further in line with targets set.

The target of 160 set for the number of staff to be trained as part of the CAF pilot training has been exceeded with 202 staff being trained by 31 March 2007.

The overall target for the numbers of CAFs to be completed during the pilot is 40. A staged target of 30 was identified for 31 March 2007, with the actual number of CAFs completed being 29.

All children on the Child Protection Register continue to have an allocated Social Worker and all Reviews are carried out within statutory timescales.

The appointment of a Team Manager to oversee the operation of the Planning, Audit and Review Unit is already ensuring that a more robust framework is in place to routinely audit service provision and outcomes for children.

All Looked after Children have an allocated Social Worker and performance for this group of children and young people continues to be sound overall.

4. Next Steps 2007/2008

HSCB will ensure that the priority actions identified in the Business Plan for 2007/08 are progressed on schedule.

HSCB will appoint a Training Officer to oversee and evaluate the annual training programme for 2007/08. This will include both single and multi agency training and will ensure that all specific service needs are addressed.

The new HSCB Safeguarding Procedures will be launched in September 2007 and will then be audited on a regular basis to ensure that they are robust and being fully implemented. The Procedures will be closely monitored by HSCB and amended as required.

Following the evaluation of the CAF Pilot in July 2007, CAF will be rolled out across the county and targets set as appropriate.

Following agreement by CYPPB, the Support for Families Strategy will be launched in September 2007 and will inform commissioning activity for 2008/09.

HSCB will develop a dataset of appropriate safeguarding performance indicators. This will enable HSCB to oversee the role and performance of all agencies in relation to safeguarding so that the agency can be appropriately challenged if it is considered that they are not responding appropriately in relation to the safeguarding of children and young people within Herefordshire.

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		ECM /NSF	Outcom	e Area: Staying Safe			
Outcome / key requirements	CYP Plan Yr	Priority Actions	Lead	Progress	Success	measur	es
1. Ensure that there is a comprehensive and effective workforce strategy in place to support the delivery	1	Develop comprehensive Children's Workforce Strategy by May 2008	SMc	Outline strategy agreed by CYPPB November 2006	Strategy agreed by	CYPPB	
of the Children and Young People's Plan.				•			
		 Revise Social Worker Recruitment and Retention Strategy and integrate with overall Children's Workforce 	SMc	Staff focus group held to inform review of strategy	Social Worker esta to 50 (milestone to March 2008)		
		Strategy by April 2007				Target	Outturn
					2006/07	50	48.9
					2007/08	53	
					Timescales for Initi Assessment compl xx (target to be dev Numbers of referr 10,000 population CH141)	etion incr reloped)	reased by/to
						Target	Outturn

		2005/06 2006/07 % of initial assess working days of re 1704)	220 ments wit	
	-	2005/06 2006/07 2007/08 2008/09 2009/10 Timing of Core As CF/C64/ APA 2022	75% 75% 68% 72% 75% 8essment	70.1% 58.7%
		2005/06 2006/07 2007/08 2008/09 2009/10	Targets 75% 80% 66% 68% 70%	Outturns 76% 61%

2. Ensure there is a single referral, assessment and service-planning framework for children in need, which is consistently and effectively applied in practice.	1	Establish effective multi agency process for managing the identification and provision of services to children with additional needs in line with the requirements of the national Common Assessment	SMc	 Pilot proceeding in line with timetable 29 CAFs completed at end of March 2007; target set of 30 	CAF (Every Child Matters in Herefordshire) pilots comple evaluated on schedule (July CAF rolled out across count 2007) Target for end of pilot (July 2 (further target to be develope CAF pilot) Progress and targets etc. T	eted and 2007) y (October 007) = 40 ed following	
3. More families needing help receive additional support at an earlier stage	1 2 3	Develop comprehensive and multi agency Support for Families Strategy by May 2007	AH	Strategy agreed by CYPPB on schedule	Strategy informs commissioning activity for 2008/09 Expenditure on Family Support Services per capita aged under 18. APA 6009SC/KIGS EX77		
					Target	Outturn	
					2004/05	24	
					2005/06	27	
					2006/07 28	35	
4. Establish effective Local Safeguarding Children Board	1	 Formally establish Herefordshire Safeguarding Children Board (HSCB) 	SMc		Membership and Terms of Reference agreed		

Appoint permanent HSCB Business Manager		 Secondment commenced January 2007 Post to be advertised September 2007 	HSCB Business Manager in post
Agree HSCB Business Plan for 2007/08 by April 2007		Priorities agreed at HSCB Development Day (December 2006)	Business plan agreed and approved by CYPPB
Appoint HSCB Training Officer	SW	Interviews set for April 2007. Appointment now made.	HSCB Training officer to be appointed
Formally establish Working sub groups			Membership and Terms of reference agreed. Workplans agreed and incorporated into HSCB Business Plan (April 2007)
 Appoint Local Authority Designated Officer for management of Allegations of Abuse made against a person who works with Children 			Agree Job Description and appoint to position (Sept 2007)
 Raising awareness across the county of the work of HSCB for professionals, parents, children and young people. 	SW		Leaflets designed, printed and distributed (Dec 2007)
Child Death Review arrangements in place	NF		Membership and Terms of Reference agreed. Workplan agreed and clear arrangements for Child Death in place. (May 2007)

Inform the general public about the legislation surrounding children/young people travelling in motor vehicles	KB	Liaise with the relevant authority to ensure that information regarding seat belt laws/booster seats is widely available (July 2007)
Reduce the incidence of bullying experienced by children and young people including cases of racial harassment	DL	Multi-agency services to audit and take steps to reduce
Multi agency Staff training to be planned for Child Protection and Safeguarding and service specific training to be offered. Regular audit to take place of training offered and received.	g Protection undertal Septem Amendral develop	Safeguarding/Child Appropriate training offered to staff and audits completed. Appropriate training offered to staff and audits completed. See across agencies. Deer 2007. The ents to and audits completed. The ents to and audits completed. The ents to and audits completed.
Policies and Procedures	RT	To commission policies and procedures designed to ensure a uniform approach to safeguarding and consistency in practice across Herefordshire July 2007
Ensure frontline staff are supported in monitoring progress of Safeguarding	"Roadsh multiage the Com Workpla	Regular Team meetings, supervision and annual appraisals to take place and feedback to be given to managers and Heads of Service, resulting in action taking place as required.

OUTCOME AREA: ENJOY AND ACHIEVE

1. Background Summary

The CYP Plan sets out in the "Enjoy and Achieve" section the comments of JAR on strengths and improvements needed; and sections on "where we want to be"; "how we are going to get there"; and "how we will know we are making progress". From all of these a delivery plan was constructed and this has formed the basis for priority development work in 2006/2007, although other programmes of work have been maintained.

2. Priority Areas 2006/2007

Good progress has been made in all priority areas as identified in the CYP plan and its delivery plan. Those areas where good progress has been made include:

- % pupils with 5 A* C including English and Maths at GCSE
- % pupils with 5+ A* G at GCSE or equivalent
- The improved education attainment of looked after children
- The improved attainment of low achievers at KS4
- Reduced rates of absenteeism amongst looked after children
- 14-19 Strategy and Action Plan

In terms of raising attainment at Key Stage 2 from the 2005 performance:

- o The % of pupils achieving Level 4+ in English and Maths at Key Stage 2 in 2006 is good.
- The total improvement of pupils achieving Level 4+ in English and Maths at Key Stage 2 from 2004 to 2006 is in need of significant improvement.
- o The difference in DFES Local Authority average from our statistical neighbours in English and maths in 2006 needs improvement.

In terms of improving the results of school inspections, there has been good improvement in the 40 inspections from June 2006 to April 2007:

- Outstanding 5%
- o Good 57%
- Satisfactory 32%
- Notice to Improve 5%
- o There are no schools in the Serious Weaknesses category.

In terms of reducing absenteeism in primary schools, good progress has been made. The rate of absenteeism in Looked After Children is good.

3. Impact

Overall there has been good progress in addressing the priorities for secondary schools in 2006/07. There is an upward trend for attainment at KS4. The value added measures for KS2 – KS4 have also improved. There is evidence of significant impact from targeted support by the School Improvement Service (SIS) and the Secondary Strategy team particularly with respect to the core subjects; the development of assessment for learning (AfL); the development of interactive whiteboards expertise and school training.

Eleven out of fourteen high schools have specialist college status. SIS continues to promote and deploy resources to strengthen school partnerships and learning networks. The 14 – 19 strategy and action plan have been revised and refined to improve the progress that partnership delivery has on the vocational curriculum.

School Improvement Partners (SIPs) have, in the main, been recruited from outside the authority in order to increase the capacity of the team to support schools. There is evidence from OfSTED inspections, SIP reports and link inspectors that the quality of data and performance analysis in schools is improving steadily.

Overall, standards are good in terms of addressing the % of pupils achieving Level 4+ in maths and English in 2006 in Primary Schools, but there is a need to make significantly greater gains in the overall % improvement in these subjects and improvement compared to our statistical neighbours.

The School Improvement Service adopts the principle of support in inverse proportion to success and has a clear and agreed policy with schools for school support categories that equates with the level of need. The schools currently in the highest category of support are using the Local Authority funded Intensifying Support Programme from 2006 –7 and we anticipate that they will need to continue through to 2008 to see the full benefit of this support. The School Improvement Service operates a system of in-depth school reviews of teaching and learning on a three-yearly cycle to help schools to identify and address areas of weakness and to confirm and celebrate successes. In addition, through the Local Authority INSET programme, we offer training in data analysis, pre-inspection preparation, leadership and management and teaching and learning, with particular focus on the new primary framework.

Leadership and management of the primary School Improvement Partner programme is good with some outstanding features. There is a clear vision for the SIP role in primary school improvement. Having consulted with schools, the School Improvement Service is currently recruiting School Improvement Partners from outside of the authority to work alongside the existing school improvement team to build capacity. The result will be a 'mixed economy' of Local Authority and external SIPs. This provision is consistent with the expressed views of the primary headteachers.

4. Next Steps 2007/2008

Areas of particular priority in 2007/08 are:

- Development of the 14 19 vocational curriculum
- Development of the Area Wide Prospectus and access to impartial advice and guidance on the learning entitlement and career pathways.
- Improved LA data collation and analysis (Particularly with respect to attendance, post 16 progression & NEETs)
- Improved behaviour and attendance strategies in identified schools.
- The development of personalised learning through the alignment of the secondary strategy and 14 19 strategy.

- Continue to raise the attainment of low achievers at KS4.
- Improved ICT provision and access.
- Improved attainment in KS3 English.
- Professional development of school workforce to support expansion of wider learning opportunities in secondary education.
- Implement the SIPs programme for all primary schools from September 2007.
- Improve attainment at Level 4 and Level 5 in Maths and English through the use of the ISP programme and focus on challenge for More Able pupils, focus on learning styles and teaching strategies, curriculum innovation and personalised learning, and sharing and building on good practice through a Good Practice directory.
- Continue to improve the outcomes of OFSTED inspections through school reviews and focus on helping schools with self-evaluation, monitoring and evaluation, moderation of work, tracking and data analysis.
- Continue to support schools in the use of the new primary framework, with a particular focus on the recommendations of the Rose Review and the use and analysis of pupil level tracking systems.

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	ECM Outcome Area: Enjoy and Achieve									
Outcome / key requirements	CY P Pla n Yr	Priority Actions	Lead	Progress	Success measures					
1. Absenteeism in primary schools: Reduction in the number of half day sessions missed due to authorised and unauthorised absence as a % of total no. of sessions in primary schools	1 2	Cool Cats (attendance positive reinforcement) pilot in 3 schools, St James, Trinity, Lea commencing September 2006 for 1 academic year.	McL/		Monthly meetings with other colleagues / services monitoring attendance data to assess effectiveness of actions. EWS to undertake a comprehensive review of all policies and procedures aimed at increasing data collection and assessment. To be reviewed every term.					
		Requirement for each school to inform EWS of ten worst attendees. Lists to be updated fortnightly and absent figures followed up by EWS. To commence September 2006.								

School attendance figures to be plotted against individual	Schools that missed DfES target for 05/06 are being	HCS 33/LAA5/BVPI	46	
school targets monthly.	targeted.		Target	Outturn
Figures to be monitored		2004/05 (baseline)		5.2%
monthly.		2005/06	4.90%	5.05%
		2006/07*	4.50%	5.67%
		2007/08	4.0%	
Principal EWO to discuss with	SLAs being negotiated with			
head teachers regarding authorised absences and provide extra EWS support if agreed commencing September 2006.	schools.	*DfES has advised the absence rate maybe one off infectious illneterm.	attributab	le to the
		06/07 outturn: (05/06) Authorised absence: Herefordshire: 5.67% Statistical Neighbour National: 5.3% Unauthorised absence Herefordshire: 0.3% England: 0.5%	s Mean: 5	• ,
		DfES RAG Dashboar Primary attendance r Subject to Data Qual	rating; GC	OD
		outcome TBA		

Use of Penalty Notice Warnings (minimum 10 U/A's) / Penalty Notices (minimum 20 U/A's) for pupils with unauthorised absences not achieving attendance targets set by government. EWS to plot issuing of Penalty Notice Warnings against Penalty Notices related to individual schools, Key stages, year groups etc.	 05/06 43 issued. 06/07 2 issued (40 warning letters issued – anticipate 25% will result in issue of Penalty Notice. 	
Use of Parenting Contracts (voluntary agreement), Parenting Orders (via magistrates court), Parenting Classes EWS to operate Parenting Classes from September 2006.	Parenting that is now scheduled to start in January 07	
EWS to provide extra support to ten schools with lowest whole attendance in county monitored on a half-termly basis.	Targeted work at 6 high and 35 primary schools.	
Truancy Sweeps to be conducted on half-termly basis.		

Advertising campaign on city buses aimed at parent/carers for 8 weeks from September 2006. Use of questionnaires to assess effectiveness. Poster campaign in all schools from early in next school year.	Campaign completed. Analysis to follow.	
Members of EWS to raise profile of service in schools via assemblies, leaflets etc. To form part of SLA with each school. To be reviewed termly.		
'Book bag' scheme advertising EWS in all library outlets and 'book mark' scheme advertising EWS in Excellence Cluster schools from September. To be reviewed at end of each term.	• In all libraries	
Half-termly meetings between Principal EWO and primary school heads in Excellence cluster to review attendance targets and behaviour plan.	Delayed	
Use LPSA2 funding to recruit an additional EWO from September 2006. Review effectiveness on annual basis.		

2. Absenteeism in secondary	1 2	Action as above	GS/S McL/	BVPI 45/LAA 6/HCS34
schools: Reduction in number of half			PC	2004/05 Target Outturn (baseline) 7.8%
day sessions missed due to				2005/06 7.61% 2006/07 7.00% 7.9%
authorised and unauthorised				2007/08 6.0%
absence as a % of total number of sessions in secondary schools				06/07 Outturn: (05/06 academic year) Authorised Absence: Herefordshire: 7.9% Statistical Neighbours Mean: 7.69% National: 5.3% Unauthorised Absence: Herefordshire: 1.4% England: 1.3% DfES RAG Dashboard Report 06/07 Secondary Attendance Rating: GOOD Subject to Data Quality Review — outcome TBA

3. Absenteeism of	1	From September:	GS/		(a) APA 3074SC/HC	S 35a/LA	A7/PAF
3. Absepteeism of Looked after	2	All LAC to be monitored half	SMcL/		CF/C24		
Children to be	_	termly. Schools to provide	PC/AB		3.732.		
reduced.		absence data.	I O//LD			Target	Outturn
(a) Number of					2004/05 (baseline)		12.6%
children looked					2005/06	11.6%	9.2%
after by					2006/07	9%	10.5%
Herefordshire					2007/08	9%	
continuously for					2008/09	8.5%	
at least 12 months					2009/10	8%	
and were of			I				
school age, who		LAC with problematic					
missed a total of at least 25 days of		attendance to be monitored					
schooling for any		weekly/ bi-weekly in the first					
reason during the		instance.					
previous year		EWO to be in daily attendance					
(b) The number of		at schools for LAC with long-			(1) 1 4 4 6 (1100 67)		
half-day sessions		term attendance problems			(b) LAA 8/HCS 35b		
missed due to		when indicated.					
authorised and		To establish closer links with		Meeting monthly		Target	Outturn
unauthorised		EWS by September 2006.		g	2004/05*	9	4.68%
absence		Create a mechanism to collate			(baseline)		
expressed as a		absence data from schools			2005/06	4.65%	4.02%
percentage of total number of		that arrives in a number of			2006/07	4.45%	3.49%
sessions in		different formats by December			2007/08	4.25%	
primary schools		2006.			2008/09	4.25%	
by children looked		See actions above for primary			2000/00	0 ,	
after by		and secondary absenteeism			3 year average	4.5%	
Herefordshire		generally.				L	
continuously for							
at least 12 months							
during the							
previous year							

(c) The number of half-day sessions missed due to		(c) LAA 9/HCS 35	c	
authorised and			Target	Outturn
unauthorised		2004/05*		7.66%
absence expressed as a percentage of		2005/06	7.6%	8.51%
total number of		2006/07	7.2%	6.79%
sessions in		2007/08	7.0%	
secondary schools		2008/09	7.0%	
by children looked		3 year average	7.0%	
after by Herefordshire continuously for at least 12 months during the previous year		*Academic year 03	3/04	

4. Percentage of pupils with 5 A*-C including Maths and English	1 2	 Use secondary strategy staff and expertise to: Analyse and interpret individual school and pupil attainment data. Identify schools below national floor targets at KS3 English, Maths, Science 	GS	No schools in this category	Initial analysis by lat data. Detailed analysis by Target setting data pand SIS team by autoreak. Targets set by school years examination g	late Oct orovided to tumn half ols for the troups.	to schools term
		 Identify schools with low KS2 KS3 Contextual Value Added (CVA) and conversion rates. Identify schools with low or declining performance in 5A* - C GCSE including Maths, English. Data is provided by QCA, NCER late August – October. Target consultant teaching & learning and leadership support in identified schools 		Only one school with declining performance (marginal).	May 08 examination 2004/05 (baseline) 2005/06 2006/07 2007/08 O6/07 Outturn: (05/0 Stat Neighbours Me National: 45.8% DfES RAG Dashboa 5 A*-C equivalent 20 inc eng & maths: GO Total % improvemer Eng & Math (2005-2	Target 47.5% 51.6% 54% 06 acader an: 46.3% ard Report 006 % DOD nt 5+ A*-0	Outturn 45.4% 45.5% 48.3% mic year) 6 t 06/07

5.	Percentage of all pupils in LEA schools achieving 5 or more 5A* - G grades at GCSE, or equivalent accredited vocational or alternative curriculum qualification	1 2	Use Secondary Strategy Staff and expertise to: • analyse and interpret individual school and pupil related performance data for all secondary schools • identify schools below the national floor targets at KS3 Maths, Science & English • identify schools with low contextual value added (CVA)between KS2 – KS3,	GS	Academic Targets ar and school inspector term for the following I.e. Targets for 2008, during the autumn te in line with DfES prace beyond 2007 have no schools and as such alteration Target setting data p and SIS team by auto break for review.	s each au academi (2009 will rm of 200 ctice. Tar ot been ver will be su	tumn c year. be set 7. This is gets erified by bject to
			 KS3 – KS4 & KS2 – KS4 identify schools with low conversion rates from KS2 – KS3 – KS4. identify schools with low or declining performance in 5A*-G grades. Target consultant teaching, learning & leadership support at the identified schools or departments. 		2005/06 2006/07 2007/08 06/07 Outturn: (05/06 National 90.5%	Target 93% 95% academ	Outturn 88% 93.7% ic year)

6.	Improve educational attainment of Looked After Children.	1 2 3	 Analysis of cohorts and learning support needs Additional support provided where required Monitor progress regularly 	SMcL/ JD/ AB		Ensure there is a Personal Education Plan for all Looked After Children to be used as the basis for targeting individual support. % of CLA with PEP		
						2005/06 (baseline)	Target	Outturn 75%
						2006/07	85%	TBA
						2007/08	100%	TB/
7.	Improve measures of healthy lifestyles for teenagers – participation in activities (sports/physical exercise, recreational activities). % of 11-15 s.	2 3	Children and young people have access to enhanced leisure and pastime opportunities.	JR	 Lifestyle survey undertaken during October. Results of analysis due in January. 	Establish Baseline from Lifestyle survey		
8.	Quality of Life – Activities for teenagers CP	1 2 3	Children and young people have access to enhanced leisure and pastime opportunities.	JR/RH	 Lifestyle survey undertaken during October. Results of analysis due in January. 	School / club links using education resources to sustain leisure development Extended Schools and Services targets met. Baseline from Customer Satisfaction Survey 2006 and Lifestyle Survey 2006.		

9. Raise attainment at KS2 performance in '05.	1 2	Young people achieve better results. Further action to be advised.	GS	Value added between Key Stage 1-2 improved. Increase in L4 plus. Improved proportion of pupils in LA schools in the previous summer achieving Level 4 or above in KS2 Maths. Improved proportion of pupils in LA schools in the previous summer achieving Level 4 or above in KS2 English.			
				0004/05	Eng	Maths	Science
				2004/05	81%	75.9%	
				2005/06	81.1%	75.1%	87.9%
				2006/07 target	81%	82%	no Govt target
				2007/08	81%	84%	
				2006/07 Outturn	E	English	Maths
				Herefords	hire 8	30.7%	75.6%
				Stat Neighbou	rs	30%	76%
				National	7	79%	76%

10. Raising the attainment of low-achievers in KS4.	1 2	Young people achieve better results. Schools are supported to maximise potential for GS	DfES RAG Dashb Sum of the % of p Eng & Maths in 20 Total % improven Maths (2004-2006 NEEDS SIGNIFIC Diff DfES LA aver Neighbour averag NEEDS IMPROVI Improved results a A-G (LPSA2)	oupils achie 006 GOOD nent L4+ Er 6) CANT IMPR rage from S ge Eng & Ma EMENT	oving L4+ in and and over MENT tatistical aths 2006
		achievement.	2006/07 2007/08 APA 3072SC/ PA young people lea over with at leas A*-G or a GNVQ	aving care	aged 16 or
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					Target	Outturn	
				2005/06		82.4%	
				2006/07	85%	84.6%	
				2007/08	85%		
				2008/09	86%		
				2009/10	87%		
				people leaving	APA 3073SC/ DIS 1403 - % of young people leaving care aged 16 or over with 5 or more GCSEs at grade A*-C or a GNVQ Target Outturn		
				2005/06	raiget	8.3%	
				2006/07		5.9%	
				2000/07	10%	3.976	
				2008/09	10%		
				2009/10	10%		
11. % of 3 year olds who have access to a good quality free early years education place	1 2	Maximise uptake of 3 years olds. GS	Target being met	% of 3 year olds a good quality seducation place HCS 66/ LAA 13	Uptake of 3 year olds (DfES target) % of 3 year olds who have access to a good quality free early years education place LAA 13/ HCS 66 HCS 66/ LAA 13 Target Outturn 2005/06 (baseline) 85%		

OUTCOME AREA: MAKING A POSITIVE CONTRIBUTION

1. Background Summary

The key priority area in the CYPP in the making a positive contribution outcome area is reducing anti-social behaviour and the prevention of offending & re-offending by children and young people.

Other areas are reduction in class A drug use and increases in the numbers of young people participating in treatment, support provided to young people at risk of offending through the Prevent and Deter programme, reduction of bullying, the delivery of the 14-19 action plan for vulnerable young people, the development of diversionary activities for children and young people and a strategy to develop parenting and family support.

It has been recognised that the plan needs to also address continuing development in arrangements and outcomes for children with disabilities, and for children in the looked after system.

The plan additionally needs to address young people's participation in decision-making and in community involvement; a youth consultation framework is being developed to support this.

2. Priority Areas 2006/2007

During 06/07 the following actions have been achieved;

- Increase in the parent provision co-ordinated by the YOS. An additional 2 parenting groups have been run across the county which represents a 50% increase
- Continued development of the Prevent & Deter Scheme. Work has progressed to begin the process of integrating P&D work within the wider prevention framework and to consider the integration of anti-social behaviour decisions into one overall youth crime prevention process
- A draft family support strategy produced
- Establishment of a Shadow Children's and Young People's Board
- Training of all YOS staff in the delivery of an individual & group work programme
- The expansion of the Children's Fund (CF) panel to work with young people up to the age of 18 who are at risk of offending
- Additional funding for positive activities via the CF Panel

Herefordshire is also a High Focus Area (HFA) for young persons substance misuse interventions across all four tiers of provision. The HFA is a review and action planning process facilitated by an external consultant.

3. Impact

The Shadow Children's and Young Person's Board has become fully operational and is commenting on papers being presented to the CYPP Board. The Shadow Board is now considering wider representation and member succession issues. Impact on decision-making, members of CYPPB and taking an active part in discussions.

The 'Teenage Lifestyle Survey (2006)' revealed that 12% of young people surveyed took part in local youth council/forum activities or services on a local committee. Further survey work will take place in 2007 in order to establish a baseline for the numbers of young people who feel they have been given opportunities to influence decisions.

The High Focus Area review will inform actions to develop substance misuse interventions for young people, including the structure and policies of the young persons drug treatment service.

The Teenage Lifestyle survey showed that 35% of all pupils surveyed do voluntary activities at least once a month, and 18 % of young people help others at least once a month.

The Prevent and Deter scheme has been further developed and links have been made to the anti-social behaviour process and cross references to school excludees and non-attenders. Support for at risk young people is provided through the CF Panel. It has recently been agreed that the referral route for Positive Activities for Young people (PAYP – is the small programme targeting those most at risk of becoming NEET not the wider Positive activities and Youth Offer programme) will be through the Prevent and Deter scheme. The self-assessment for GOWM (March 2007) placed the scheme as amber / green.

The re-offending rate in 2006 was 50% compared to 53.5% in 2005. This is starting to move in the right direction however must be taken against changes in police processing which is increasing the number of crimes being reported.

The number of first time entrants to the youth justice system has increased by 15.7%. This is thought, in part, to be the result of the Offences Brought to Justice agenda, and in particular the sanction detection target which the Police have been set. Further analysis is required to identify the reasons for the increase.

4. Next Steps 2007/2008

The following have been identified as next steps;

- Further analysis as to the reasons for the increase in numbers of first time entrants to the youth justice system and development of an action plan to tackle the issues identified.
- The continued development of the Prevent and Deter scheme and establishing linkages to CAF implementation
- The development of a wider strategy for vulnerable young people and the Targeted Youth Support (TYS) Plan
- The establishment of baselines for the number of families receiving parenting support activities.

- The development and promotion of community engagement and volunteering opportunities for young people through implementation of the Youth Offer
- Ensuring engagement opportunities exist for disabled young people through the development of the Disabled Children Strategy
- Implementation of the HFA review recommendations
- Finalising and implementation of the Support for Families Strategy
- Implementation of the "Ngage" project with the objective of increasing the numbers of young offenders (16+) engaging in training or employment
- Ensuing engagement opportunities exist for Looked After Children through the CYPP Delivery Plan.



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	ECM Outcome Area: Positive Contribution									
Outcome / key requirements	CYP Plan Yr	Priority Actions	Lead	Progress	Success measures					
Reduce the number of first time entrants to the Youth Justice System in Herefordshire (CS& DS) LAA – Reduce Crime	1 2 3	Establish reasons for significant increase in First time entrants during the second part of 2006/7	PK	Joint analysis work being undertaken between YOS & police. Herefordshire demonstrating higher increases in FTE's than other West Mercia Divisions.	Reduce by 5% by 2008. Reduce first time entrants into the youth justice system by 2% between 05/06 and 06/07 Target Outturn 2005/06 342 (baseline) 335 396 2006/07 15.7% increase 2007/08 5% increase					
		Continue to develop the Prevent and Deter (P&D) strand of the Prolific and Other Priority Offender (PPO) Strategy and ensure P&D panel is effective.	PK	 On track - through P&D Steering Group. RAG Assessment of P&D submitted to GOWM in March 07 as Amber / Green 	Move verified Traffic Light Assessment from amber/green (March 2007) to Green by September 2007.					

		Ensure linkages exist between work within the PPO strategy (P&D), Anti Social Behaviour Strategy (ASB), CF panels and developments within Children's Services prevention approaches including CAF.	PK	Steering Group • Explore P&D and 2007) wi	a – through P&D & Operational link between d CAF (may ith a view to ng systems 2008	Protocol agridecisions to P&D/CAF pr 2008	be integra	ited into
Reduce the number of young people who re- offend A: Reduce the proportion of young offenders & PPOs who re-offend.	1	Implementation of new risk policy including risk led planning framework by March 2007.	КВ	beginninThis is a	ments are ag to be delivered. gainst changes recording that is ag crime	Achieve a 59 offending rat compared w (These are r but 're-offend period tracks	te for 2006 ith 2002. not calendaders' in a seed for 2 years.	ar year 3 month ears)
wild re-offeria.							Target	Outturn
						2002/04 (baseline) 2003/05	53.5%	47%
						2006/07*	45%	50%
						*Outturn 200 - 50% (Prov	isionaÌ)	,
		Implement the action plan resulting from the Review of implementation of the YOS Risk- led approach & service restructure.	КВ	On track		Comprehens in place, reg (monthly) Actions prog Service struc	ularly reviences	ewed

		Co-ordinate and develop group work and individual programmes for work with low /medium/high Risk Young People by March 2007.	KB	 On track. Regular group work sessions have been held within Herefordshire YOT since December 2006. 20 medium risk young people have completed these programmes. High risk young people are seen individually New focus on medium risk offenders being developed with police for 2007/8. 	
3. Develop a coherent	1	 Increase the number of Pathways staff trained to use the group work and individual programmes. All YOS staff to be trained in Pathways by March 2007. Intensive family support 	KB	 9/12 staff have completed training. Remaining staff to complete a service wide mop up training session. Local implementation plan being developed. Stakeholder workshop 	Strategy agreed by CYPPB
parent & support for families strategy	2 3	available. Family Support Strategy to include support for parents of children and young people of all ages at risk of crime, disorder, anti-social behaviour & drug use.		held on 5 th December 2006 & Steering Group established.	% increase in number of families receiving support. This PI needs further clarification and review in light of new strategy

		2nd draft of strategy – April 2007	RW	Multi-agency strategy development group established. Second draft produced and circulated for comment by the group in March 2007. Draft also approved for wider consultation by CYPPB.
		Consultation on 2 nd draft – April- June 2007.	RW	 Multi-agency strategy development group agreed an 8-week consultation period will be sufficient and practical. Consultation to begin after the May elections. Final draft strategy and delivery plan approved by CYPPB in July 2007.
4. % of young people who feel Herefordshire	1 2	Young people are empowered to contribute to decision-making	JR	On track using Youth Survey to be undertaken HCS 69/ LAA 18
Council does enough	3	and are aware of how they can		May - July 2007. Target Outturn
to give opportunity to influence decisions)		do this.		2003 (baseline) 13.8%
initidence decisions)				2005 19.2%
				2007 28%
5. Proportion of 13 - 18 year olds who feel they can influence decisions affecting local services	1 2 3	Young people are empowered to contribute to decision-making and are aware of how they can do this.	JR	On track using Youth Survey to be undertaken May - June 2007. Baseline to be established through 2007 Youth Survey. TBA

6.	% of CYP volunteering	1 2 3	More young people contributing positively to community needs.	JR	On track using Youth Survey.	Baseline to be established through 2007 Youth Survey and Teenage Lifestyles Survey. (May - June 2007). TBA
7.	Develop a wider strategy for vulnerable young people	1 2 3	Identify/establish group to develop the strategy by March 2007.	KBe	Vulnerable Young Peoples Group (VYPG) has been established. Terms of reference agreed.	Targeted Youth Support (TYS) Strategy to be in Place by April 2008 and how this links to the VYPG
			Clarify definition & identify/map existing work – March-July 2007.	TBA	 24 indicators of vulnerability have been developed through local research. Links to CAF have been developed. 	Common understanding of vulnerability across all partners Swift and easy referral to TYS via CAF?
			Develop strategy to better co- ordinate work with vulnerable young people December 2007.	TBA	KBe and JR have attended Targeted Youth Support (TYS) conference will present implications at next meeting.	Better co-ordination of services for vulnerable young people.

8. Continued improvement in arrangements & outcomes for children with disabilities.	1 2 3	Review of and establish additional new short breaks provision	MP	On Track	Increase in numbers of short breaks provided from baseline. Baseline 65. March 07 - 90 places
		Improve transitions planning for disabled children	MP	 On track Pilot at Barrs Court School + 1 other (TBC) in Sept 07. Co-operation required from all key partners. 	All young disabled people in defined cohort will have a transition plan. May 07 to agree delivery Plan Pilot in Sept 07
		 Develop a Disabled Children Strategy 	MP	First Draft completed on track but further work to be done in order to agree Draft. Draft out for consultation In May 07	Consultation to be undertaken and draft work of strategy needs re-working.

OUTCOME AREA: ACHIEVING ECONOMIC WELL-BEING

1. Background Summary

The Children and Young People's Plan is derived from comments made in inspection reports, national policy developments and target requirements and an assessment of local needs. It is informed by consultation with, and the individual plans of a wide range of partners. From this, priorities were developed for the 2006-08 Delivery Plan.

In the case of Economic Well-Being, key influences were the Area Wide Inspection and the JAR, 14-19 developments in learning and the NEET target.

The Economic Well-Being sub-group has reviewed progress against the Delivery Plan in 2006-07 and produced an updated plan for 2007-08, which is appended to this narrative. Additional influences during the year which have influenced the outcome of the review are the Annual Performance Assessment (APA) and the 14-19 Progress Checks.

2. Priority Areas 2006/2007

Progress has been made in all priority areas during the year, although it has been achieved more quickly in some areas than others. This is described in more detail in the following section which analyses the impact made in 2006-07.

The priorities for the year were: -

- to improve housing provision for both single young people and families;
- to increase the % of all 16-18 year olds in education, employment and training;
- to increase the number of looked after children (LAC) who are in education, employment and training;
- to ensure that information, advice and guidance (IAG) provision for 14-19 year olds meets national quality standards;
- to ensure better coordinated transition planning for all children with learning difficulties and disabilities and focus on post-16 strategy.

3. Impact

Good progress has been achieved against all housing milestones. 6 additional units of accommodation for care leavers, all with floating support have been provided. An Aftercare Coordinator is in post and an Accommodation Project Worker has been appointed, who is recruiting and providing training for 5 additional supportive lodgings providers. Substantial progress has been made against both bed and breakfast targets from a challenging starting position with a substantial backlog of families in B and B, when the service was taken back in-house. Over the year the number of families in B and B fell from 40 to 4 and the number in B and B for more than 6 weeks fell from 28 to 2.

The November, 2006 NEET target of 4.9% was exceeded with an achievement of 4.4%. Within this overall achievement there was good news for a range of vulnerable groups:-

- the proportion of teenage mothers in education, employment and training in December, 2006 was 31% compared to 25% the previous December;
- the proportion of young people with learning difficulties and disabilities who were NEET was down from 14.8% to 13.3% over the same period;
- the proportion of 19-year-old care leavers in education, employment and training went up from 56% to 61%.

This was achieved in a number of ways:-

- through rigorous case management and regular monitoring by Connexions PAs;
- through the provision of additional, flexible provision such as the ESF funded Youth Express, a pre-E2E programme for 16-18 year olds;
- through the provision, where appropriate, of targeted programmes e.g. the Young Mothers to Be course, which will be further developed in 2007-08 with the secondment to Connexions of a midwife to act as course coordinator;
- through preventative work e.g. young people who have been NEET producing a DVD describing their experiences for use in schools, together with a pre-prepared lesson plan;

The new Transitions Team (for young people with LDD) is also in place. A Transitions Steering Group, with adult services, has been set up and is supported by an operations group with practitioners drawn from a wide range of children's and adult services. The Team has reviewed the overall transition process and involved themselves, as part of this work, in cases where progress was slow. As a result of this they have identified particular areas for improvement, which are now part of their action plan. The number of local groups dealing with disability issues has been rationalised, to give the opportunity for better coordination and planning.

Progress against IAG milestones has been good. Consultation with schools, colleges and training providers was carried out and showed a high level of satisfaction with current provision and arrangements. Local quality standards for schools have been updated and are being piloted. They focus particularly on outcomes and on customer feedback. They will be cross-referenced with the national quality standards, when the final version of those is available. A further education version will be available for piloting by December. A Transition Plan has been agreed between the Council and Connexions for an initial 2-year period of commissioning from April, 2008.

Two areas of work where progress has been slower than we would have liked are 14-19 education developments and the specific target to reduce the proportion of 16-18 year olds in jobs without training.

With regard to the former, long-term ill health, followed by a protracted recruitment period, reduced the capacity of the central team to support some aspects of 14-19 developments. The staffing situation has been resolved and there is a perceptible change of momentum. A 14-19 Strategy Manager is in post, a secondment to develop the Area Prospectus is in place and a further secondment at Secondary Head level to support curriculum and workforce development will be in place soon. As well as this further resources are being explored for LLDD and data to ensure that efficient planning can take place and data is easily available to support it.

In spite of these difficulties considerable progress has been made, particularly in the area of collaborative working between schools and colleges. 4 geographical groupings of schools are developing and some joint curriculum working and common timetabling is in place. Working groups produced submissions for all 5 of the new diplomas. Two successful bids for Young Apprenticeships have been agreed for 2007/08 and locally funds have been sought to produce a continuation for the successful countywide Increased Flexibility Programme. Although unsuccessful first time around, plans are already in hand to reconvene the working groups to address issues raised in the feedback and to identify leads and groups to work on the next batch of diplomas. Collaboration between the colleges on the Folly Lane campus is achieving more effective use of resources, through joint teaching on some programmes and the removal of some course duplication.

The 14-19 Strategy is being revised, a regular 14-19 Update is being produced and distributed widely and a 14-19 Manual has been produced and distributed to all providers with the aim of promoting a consistent approach to programme delivery. A small working group of the 14-19 Strategy Group has been set up to progress the decision at the Group's last meeting to establish a Herefordshire 14-19 Consortium. On top of this the sub groups of the Strategy Group are being updated and refocused to ensure they are appropriate and fulfilling their remit. These groups are focused on IAG, Vulnerable Young People, LLDD and Curriculum development.

With regard to the target to reduce the number of 16-18 year olds in jobs without training, progress is held back by Herefordshire's relatively low wage, low skill economy and by the inherent tension between targets to increase participation in learning and to reduce the proportion who are NEET. This is evidenced by the fact that over the period in which the NEET target was achieved and surpassed, the proportion of young people in jobs without training went up from 15.7% to 17.4%. Long-term progress requires strong collaborative effort at a strategic level. With this in mind, we plan to promote the idea of a public sector compact through the membership of the Children and Young People's Partnership Board and to develop a joint strategy with the Economic Development arm of the Council and LSC.

4. Next Steps 2007/2008

The Delivery Plan for 2007-08 has been updated in the light of this review of progress. Key points which have been carried forward to the revision are:-

- the ambition to achieve the final bit of progress against bed and breakfast targets;
- the need to recalculate NEET baselines and targets in the light of national changes and to make sure that opportunity provision and support arrangements are responsive to these;
- the need for strategic support and development if jobs with training ambitions are to be met;
- accelerating progress on the 14-19 front now that resources issues have been resolved;
- Transition Pathways work moving into its delivery phase.

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	ECM Outcome Area: Achieving Economic Well-being									
	Outcome/Key Requirements	CYP Plan	Priority Action	Lead	Progress	Success	Measure	S		
1	. Improve housing	2	To continue to reduce the number of families with	RG	Substantial progress achieved in year of the Plan: target 1 down from 40 in	No of families ho	used in B&			
	provision for		children who are housed in		March '06 and target 2 down from 28 in		Target	Outturn		
	young people		bed and breakfast		March '06	2005/06		40		
	and families.		accommodation.			2006/07	0	7		
						No of families wit				
						2005/06		28		
						2006/07	0	0		
2	2. Increase the % of all 16-18 year olds in education, employment and training.	2	To maintain progress towards the new 2010 NEET target, taking into account changes at national level in the method of calculation.	RL	Revised baseline and interim targets established.	•				

	•	To extend the range and nature of provision to meet the needs of the NEET group.	RL	•	Connexions and LSC working together on new NEET commissioning strategy. Contract with Redspace to work with most challenging group of NEET young people. Extend provision for teenage mothers through secondment of a midwife to Connexions.	employmer '07 baselin • Increased education, '07 baselin	% of teenage employment a e = 31% 6 of LDD who e = 13.3% 2 - % of 16-18	mothers in and training are NEET
							Target	Outturn
						2006/07	4.9%	4.3%
						2007/08	5.3%	
						2008/09	5%	
						2009/10	4.7%	
						HCS 41/ LAA of LACs who Employment	are in Educat or Training	ion,
						2004/07	Target	Outturn
						2004/05	10 (0.00)	12 (0.92)
						2005/06	16 (0.96)	16 (0.96)
						2006/07	12 (0.98)	14 (1.25)
						2007/08	15 (0.98)	

 To improve preventative work with regard to NEET. To increase the availability of jobs with training for young people. 		 Produce and share with providers separate analyses for LAC and LDD of aspiration surveys and of activity survey. Implement the September guarantee. Implement recommendations of consultant on post-16 drop-out. Develop strategy with LSC and Economic Development to encourage more employers to offer training. Work with CYPSPB partners to establish a public service compact. Appoint fixed term development worker. 	Reduction in the % of 16-18 year olds in jobs without training Dec '06 baseline = 17.4%
To fully develop 14-19 working.	PG	 14-19 Strategy in the process of being updated, including arrangements for 14-19 planning, performance framework and student feedback. Decision to form a consortium agreed. Arrangements in hand to revise existing diploma submissions and prepare second round applications. Curriculum and workforce development appointment in progress. 14-19 Team in process of being reorganised to provide effective support to emerging networks Area Prospectus development has begun. 	 Revised strategy published. Consortium formally established. Approval to start some diplomas achieved. Appointment completed. June '07. Appointments completed. September 07 Initial version of prospectus up and running. Sept '07.

3. Ensure that information, advice and guidance (IAG) provision for 14-19 year olds meets national quality standards.	2	 Finalise local standards for IAG and work with school clusters to assess IAG provision against the standards. Consult schools and colleges about the PA role and balance of PA time between KS3, KS4 and KS5. Develop IAG materials, especially relating to Y9 option choice. 	RL	 Draft standards being piloted in Wigmore. IAG group to be one of 4 working groups supporting the consortium. IAG standards for colleges to be produced. Local standards to be mapped against national standards when they are available. IAG Development Group to be consulted about format of consultation in June. Feedback from young people on Y9 option choice experience analysed. 	 Final version of standards agreed. Oct '07. IAG group fully established. Sept '07. Draft standards available for piloting. Dec '07. Initial version of Area prospectus up and running. Sept '07. Clear direction on PA focus in schools and colleges in commissioned provision of Connexions Services. Materials on Y9 option choice produced for young people, parents and school staff. Dec '07.
		 Develop information and set up referral processes for elective home educated young people. Explore the potential for combining socio-economic data with raw destination information to provide "value added" destination data, as a means to identifying and sharing good practice. 	KB RL	 Initial step is to produce information packs for Home Education Manager. First step is to investigate what socioeconomic data is available at individual school level. 	 Systems in place by Nov '07. Value added Y11 destination data available for each school.

4. Ensure better coordinated transition planning for all children with learning difficulties and disabilities and focus on post-16 strategy.	2	Progress the Transition Team's workplan, including: finalising the Transitions Process and Protocols; setting up a young person's user group; piloting the Transitions Pathway in 2 schools; the early identification of young people who will need adult care; tracking Y11 leavers with SEN statements; assessing the information needs of parents/carers and young people and improving provision as necessary;	КВ	 Currently working with individual young people to get feedback. One pilot school has been identified. 	•	Process and protocols in place. Sept '07. Process informed by the views of young people. July '07. Agency roles and responsibilities in the Pathway confirmed. March '08. Better informed and planned transitions.
		- explore the potential of a Transitions Panel made up of cross agency practitioners to help and support vulnerable young people who do not meet eligibility criteria, e.g. Asperger's, Mental Health, behaviour etc		Awaiting panel members agreement for panel to commence. Sept '07.		No vulnerable young person will be left without appropriate support.

- make Y9 and Y11 Transition Plan documents more person centred and focused on future aspirations.	 Operational group to finalise document. May '07. 	•	More meaningful Transition Plan for young person with SEN/LDD which they can understand and take with them through the years of Transition.
- Improve Section 140 information which post-16 providers receive to help young people in transition.	 New Section 140 format in development by Connexions. 	•	Better information sharing to identify what additional support young people need who have SEN/LDD.

Notes

- 1. The separate objective for LAC in education, employment and training which appeared in last year's plan has been integrated as a distinct sub-set of item 2 (Increase % of 16-18 year olds in education, employment and training), which is where it logically belongs.
- 2. Item 2 also included last year a strand concerned with a County plan for personal development and volunteering activities. This overlapped with similar items in Enjoy and Achieve and in Making a Positive Contribution. It has been agreed with Jon Ralph, the overall lead on positive activities, that these entries should be consolidated in one of the other sections of the plan.

SERVICE MANAGEMENT

1. Background

The creation of the Children & Young People's Board required the development of support arrangements for it to operate effectively. Following the JAR Inspection in 2005 and, as part of the Improvement Board work undertaken with GOWM, action has been taken in the following areas;

- A Performance Management framework covering the 5 outcomes has been developed in conjunction with the Institute of Public Care.
- Joint Commissioning Strategy Framework has been written and submitted to the Board for endorsement.
- The views of Young People and users have been sought through the implementation of the Hear by Rights Standard and the creation of a Shadow Board, linked the main Board.
- An information sharing protocol has been agreed.
- A Workforce Strategy has been developed.
- The coordination of consultation with Children & Young People to improve their participation in planning and review has been improved

The targets set for completion at the end of March 2007 were achieved, and significant improvement has been made. However, further progress is required to improve/develop/embed various aspects of Service Management to ensure continued and sustained improvement in services for children and young people in the future.

Expressed in terms of the Annual Performance Assessment of Children & Young People's Services, Service Management is currently 'adequate' overall with some good aspects. The Delivery Plan for 07/08 aims to ensure that this moves to good overall.

2. Areas for Development in 07/08

The following needs to be achieved to gain further improvement in service management;

- a) On **ambition**, the partnership should aim to maintain and further strengthen its leadership ensuring that there is a clear and shared understanding of the partnerships ambitions amongst the community and amongst children. The priorities which the Board set in 2005 will be reviewed, and the services currently on offer will be tested against the degree to which they meet the needs of carers and users. Although the rural nature of the county presents challenges in offering choice, the implementation of Children's Centres serving these rural areas will significantly improve the choice available.
- b) Priorities are clearly understood, and targeted pooled funding will be developed for the stated priorities in order to increase the effectiveness of services. The long-standing arrangement around Joint Agency Meetings will be augmented through the Local Area Agreement in terms of the 2008/09 budget and the development of the Public Service Trust proposals.

The implementation of the family support strategy reflects the move to preventative and early intervention services. There will be Joint Commissioning of family support services by the autumn of 2007.

All services will address diversity and equality matters.

c) In terms of **capacity**, the decision-making processes within the partnership are clear, transparent and timely working to a three-year plan. The Partnership works on trust, on openness and constructive challenge. There is substantial involvement of the voluntary and community sector.

There is a Joint Commissioning Framework and this will be used to provide services for family support, mental health, shared care. Joint commissioning should be increased to improve impact and maximise the effectiveness of resources.

The Workforce Development Strategy will be finalised, and then implemented to ensure that there are the people, skills and suppliers available to meet the needs of children and young people in Herefordshire. Its 5 themes will be pursued in 2007/08.

Similarly, the development of a single and more efficient assessment framework with well co-ordinated services will be put in place within the year to maximise impact throughout the County.

d) On **Performance Management** the partnership needs to demonstrate that it regularly reviews all services to ensure that needs and priorities are met in a timely and cost effective way. Children and Young People themselves should be given a clear role in this, and there should be evidence that their views have influenced decision-making. The creation of the performance team in the Directorate will allow performance reports to be made to regular meetings of the Children & Young People's Partnership Board.

This will include benchmarking activities to allow comparison with other authorities.

3. Conclusion

More specific actions to achieve these outcomes are set out in the attached appendix.

Where we want to be	How we are going to get there	Delivering in 07/08
Ambition		
Shared understanding of aims of Partnership by whole community	Development of Communications Strategy	Communications Strategy developed and approved by Board by December 2007
<u>Prioritisation</u>		
 Priorities agreed and owned by Partners Greater emphasis on preventative services 	 Shift in resources in preparing for 08/09 budgets As above 	Partners report to Board outcome of resource allocation process against Board's priorities
Capacity		
 Greater effectiveness through more Joint Commissioning Clear evidence of involvement of Young People and Community 	 More services procured through Joint Commissioning Framework Continued support of Community and Young People's input CYPPB Business Manager appointed Children's Commissioning Lead appointed 	 Implementation of Family Support, CAMHS and Disability Strategies pursued through Joint Commissioning Format of reports to Board to include sections on Community and Young People's comments
Performance Management		
Regular reviews of serviceMonitoring against targetsBenchmarking undertaken	Council to provide Performance Management function through Operational Information Sharing protocols developed and implemented	 Standing item on Partnership Board Agenda to cover Performance Reporting Information on other Partnership's introduced

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JR=John Ralph, Youth Services Manager

JRose=Jane Rose, Community Safety and Drugs Partnership

RH=Ros Hatherill, Manager of Early Years and Childcare Service Manager

DJ= David Johnson, Head of Corporate Human Resources

GD=Graham Dunhill, Director of Environment

TB=Tess Boyes, PSHE and Healthy Schools Co-ordinator

Teenage Pregnancy Co-ordinator

AB=Annie Bushby, Education Liaison Support Co-ordinator

AC=Anna Cassin, Health Visitor Looked After Children, PCT

RG=Richard Gabb, Head of Strategic Housing Services

PC= Polly Garnett, 14-19 Strategy Manager

Hereford PCT

FH=France Howie, Acting Director of Public Health

SD=Sue Doheny, Locality Manager, Hereford City and Children's Services

HB=Hazel Blankley, Professional Head for Health Visiting, PCT

LR=Lynne Renton, Designated Nurse PCT

MP=Marcia Perry, PCT/HCC - Directorate Manager of Children's Services

Other Partners

ST=Sarah Tulk, LSC

RL=Roger Little, Connexions

KB=Kaye Berry, Connexions

KBa=Keith Barham, YOS

PK=Phil Kendrick, Prevention Manager, YOS

Derivation of Indicators

CP = The Community Strategy for Herefordshire (Community Plan)

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Membership of the Children and Young People's Partnership Board

Sharon Menghini, Herefordshire Council (Chair) Hope Bachmann, Shadow Partnership Board Dave Maguire, Shadow Partnership Board Andy Preedy, Herefordshire Council Helen Horton. The Alliance Jill Hiscox, Herefordshire Home Start Sian Bailey, Headteacher, Blackmarston School John Sheppard, Head Teacher, Wyebridge Sports College Euan McGilp, Headteacher, St. Martin's Primary School Alan Blundell, Herefordshire Council Anne Heath, Herefordshire Council Shaun McLurg, Herefordshire Council Sue Mead. Herefordshire Primary Care Trust Frances Howie, Herefordshire Primary Care Trust Marcia Perry, Herefordshire Primary Care Trust Yvonne Clowsley, Herefordshire Primary Care Trust Dr. Ian Tait, Herefordshire Primary Care Trust Dr. Sally Stucke, Herefordshire Hospitals NHS Trust Peter Harper, Herefordshire Hospitals NHS Trust Simon Hairsnape, Herefordshire Primary Care Trust Sharon Gray, Learning & Skills Council Sarah Tulk, Learning & Skills Council Roger Little, Connexions Keith Barham, Worcs and Hfds Youth Offending Team Paul Baker, West Mercia Probation Ivan Powell, West Mercia Constabulary Mark Turner, West Mercia Constabulary Sharon Gibbons, West Mercia Constabulary Alan Mardell, West Mercia Constabulary