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CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE'S STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP

REPORT

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SUBJECT: Children & Young People's Plan 2011

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IS THE REPORT CONFIDENTIAL? No

1. Purpose

To inform the Children's Trust Board of the current situation regarding the statutory duty to develop a CYPP;

- b) to note CYPP draft to be circulated for consultation from10th August to 14th October 2011
- c) outline the proposed approach and scope to the CYPP and request input

2. Background/Context

In March 2010 the government announced that statutory responsibility for developing the CYPP by April 2011 moved from the local authority to the Children's Trust Board. Preparation for developing the new CYPP has been taken forward on this basis as agreed at the Children's Trust Board in March 2010.

In July 2010 the government also intends to remove the requirement for local authorities to set up Children's Trust Boards and the requirement on those Boards to prepare and publish a joint Children and Young People's Plan. It plans to do this at the first available legislative opportunity. In the autumn, it also plans to revoke the regulations underpinning the CYPP and withdraw the statutory guidance on Children's Trusts and with that the prescription regarding what it must contain.

All partners on Lincolnshire CYPSP remain strongly committed to working together to improve outcomes for children and young people in Lincolnshire. We have therefore agreed to continue to produce a strategic plan in developing our new CYPP we have undertaken a comprehensive analysis of need and consulted widely on what matters most to children, young people, parents and carers.

This consultation seeks the views of those who will need to respond to the guidance, in particular whether the guidance is clear and helpful.

Approach to the CYPP

In light of the flexibility, we propose that the CYPP document be a focused high-level strategy, clearly articulating the Children's Trust priorities (children & young people are given every opportunity to thrive and prosper, feel safe; are economically successful and achieve their aspirations).

In retaining a Children's Trust, the CYPP will also form a high-level framework for the Trust to work within when developing their delivery plans at a more detailed level.

Unlike previous CYPP (as driven by statutory guidance) the CYPP 2011 will not cover in-depth operational service planning, nor will it set out delivery projects complete with agreed milestones, outcomes and indicators.

3. Recommendation

- That CYPSP note the Children & Young People's Plan consultation and respond during the consultation period.
- That CYPSP agree that partners take the draft through their own decision making process for consultation as they deem appropriate.

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