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## Open Report on behalf of Executive Director Adults and Children's

Report to: Children and Young People Scrutiny Committee

Date: 24 June 2011

Subject: Performance Indicators 2011/2012

## Summary:

The performance indicators in Appendix A are those which will be reported upon quarterly during 2011/12.

#### **Actions Required:**

To note the report and raise questions as required.

## 1. Background

The vision for children in Lincolnshire has been defined by DMT as:

"That every child in every part of the county should achieve their potential"
This is underpinned by a number of key principles

## 1. Early Intervention and Prevention

Strong universal services, providing early action and intensive support to vulnerable children and young people.

#### 2. Safeguarding

Ensuring children are safe in every environment. Encouraging community responsibility for safeguarding.

#### 3. Aspiration and Well Being

Ensuring all those working with children champion the importance of aspiration. Develop self-esteem, self belief and resilience in all children, young people and their families.

#### 4. Learning and Achievement

All children being the best that they can be.

Closing the gap between vulnerable groups and children living in disadvantaged communities.

#### 5. Best Use of Resources

Integrating delivery with a focus on outcomes, life chances and opportunities. Effective use of resources to provide better services locally. Empower communities, creating opportunities for them to engage

As a result the Comprehensive Spending Review and the subsequent LCC financial settlement, Children's Services have been required to make savings and efficiencies. The final Federated Core Offer structure for the 'performance team' will result in a 20% efficiency saving.

In order to continue to meet our statutory reporting requirements and those of Children's Services Executive DMT a large reduction in Performance Indicators (PIs) for 2011/12 was agreed in May 2011.

When looking at the number of PIs for inclusion in Exec DMT the following implications were considered:

- the reliance on front line staff to record and collate data in order to provide the data sources upon which PIs are reported. This requirement is at a time when the capacity of front line staff may have already been reduced.
- data being made available for reporting purposes. Currently a large amount of manual manipulation of data is undertaken to ensure its accuracy for reporting. With reduced resources this data will be available through self serve Business Objects reports (push button reports accessed through a single piece of reporting software), with out any manual intervention/manipulation. This is likely to create data quality issues.

After discussions with DMT an agreed number of 116 (15 new) PIs for 2011/12 was decided. This has taken into account national reporting requirements and locally determined priorities. The 116 PIs for 2011/12 compares to 227 PIs in 2010/11.

It has been agreed that Performance Reports to Executive DMT would be distributed quarterly instead of monthly.

Reporting to CYP Scrutiny will continue to be quarterly.

The attached appendices show the measures identified by Assistant Directors for inclusion in the 2011/12 Exec DMT report.

#### 2. Conclusion

That the Children and Young People Scrutiny committee ratify the Performance Indicators for 2011/12 outlined in Appendix A.

## 3. Consultation

## a) Policy Proofing Actions Required

N/A

# 4. Appendices

These are listed below and attached at the back of the report	
Appendix A	Children's Services Performance Indicators 2011/12

## 5. Background Papers

No background papers within Section 100D of the Local Government Act 1972 were used in the preparation of this report.

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