

Feedback from Thematic Partnerships: May 2008

Thematic Partnership		
Children and Young People's Partnership		
Main Aims of the Partnership		
<p>Originally established in mid 2005 as a task group to tackle one of the Community Strategy's Priorities ... " to increase provision and availability of community based facilities* for young people (where "facilities were defined as services, support, guidance, places to go and things to do).</p> <p>It was agreed this year that the group needs to revisit the current terms of reference and membership of the group.</p>		
Emerging Priorities		
How can you make a difference?	1	Consideration of CYPP leading on new Extended Services programme.
	2	The implications of the re-structure of Children and Youth Services at HCC and the resulting effects on provision locally.
	3	identifying the impact of children living in poverty in certain parts of Fareham and how these themes can be tackled across the other thematic partnerships
Links to Hampshire Local Area Agreement Priority Outcomes		
LAA Priority:	1	<p>Improve the life chances of children and young people.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Better parenting. • Improved sexual health and fewer teenage pregnancies. • Widen participation in range of sport, recreation and cultural activities available for young people. • Healthy eating / reduce childhood obesity. • Improved mental health of children and young people by developing the Child and Adolescent Mental Health Service.
Progress since March 2008		
<p><i>At its last meeting the CYP two key issues we discussed. The group received a presentation from Fareham's Locality Team on their role in supporting local children. This includes;</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <i>1. working with children and families to try and encourage children to continue their education,</i> <i>2. supporting and signposting struggling parents,</i> <i>3. delivering Child Protection awareness training in schools to all staff groups,</i> <i>4. providing training for children about safety,</i> <i>5. providing Common Assessment Framework (CAF) training</i> <i>6. early intervention and trying to prevent events from a reaching crisis stage.</i> <i>7. The team have recently started providing training for CAF in Fareham and are working with schools.</i> <p><i>The group also discussed an information paper on the effects of poverty on Children and agreed that they would like to know what happened with the proposals for Credit Union work in Fareham.</i></p> <p><i>The group continues to keep a close watching brief on the local situation with regard to the changes at HCC to Children's Services and Youth Support Services. Until the recent re-structure has been rolled out and vacant posts recruited too, the true effect on local service delivery will not be known. The Group, through its various members continues to be involved in the development of Extended Services and the formation of Children's Centres locally. Both of these initiatives are aimed at improving services, information and support for local parents and children. Although progress in some parts of the Borough has been slow, The CYP continues to receive regular updates on these projects in order to ensure that a good coverage of services can be provided and any gaps in local provision are flagged up and identified in local planning of services.</i></p> <p><i>Member organisations we also requested to provide a summary of the progress made by their organisation in respect of the CYP Priorities. This will be used to provide a 'map' of current activity being undertaken and how this work meets the targets of Fareham CY and whether the current membership needs to be re-visited.</i></p>		

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