

SEND Executive Board

13 October 2021

Meeting: Attendance, Decision Log, Actions, Forward Plan

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| **Attendees** | **Role** |
| 1. Jackie Cairns | Chair, Director for Newcastle System, CCG |
| 1. Judith Hay | Chair, Director: Children, Education and Skills, NCC |
| 1. Deanne Taylor | Head of SEND, NCC |
| 1. Steve Gittins | Chair of Inclusion Sub-Group, Representing Primary schools |
| 1. Karen Worton | Group Nurse Director, Central Locality, CNTW |
| 1. Helga Charters) | Associate Director of Allied Health Professionals & Psychological Therapies, NUTH |
| 1. Chris Rollings | Headteacher, Hadrian School, Representing the Specialist schools |
| 1. Mark Anderson | Designated Medical Officer |
| 1. Vicki Jefferson | Representing the Parent/Carer forum |
| **Officers in attendance** |  |
| 1. Deborah O’Brien |  |
| 1. Jill Bauld | SEND Voice Lead, NCC/CCG |
| 1. Ann Banks | Project Manager, NCC |
| 1. Nicola Gannon | Delivery Project Lead, Newcastle, CCG |
| 1. Claire Knox | Commissioner, Inclusion, NCC |
| 1. Jane Giles | Head of Service: Speech & Language Therapy, NUTH |
| 1. Ewan Dick |  |
| **Apologies** |  |
| 1. Jayne Forsdike | Assistant Director, Children’s Social Care, NCC |
| 1. Rachel Gibson | Head of Central Support Services, Newcastle College and representing Post 16 providers |
| 1. Al McDowell | Director of Adult Social Care and Integrated Services |
| 1. Barbara Stanton | Commissioning Service Delivery Manager, CCG |
| 1. Marie Leddy | Representing the Parent/Carer forum |
| 1. Kirsty Stuart | Representing the Parent/Carer forum |
| 1. Jo Atkinson | Representing the Parent/Carer forum |
| 1. Anna Williams | Associate Director, Central Locality Community Services, CNTW |
| 1. Michelle Stamp | Public Health Consultant, NCC |
| 1. Martin Wood | Principal Walbottle Academy, Representing secondary schools |

**Decision Log: 13 October 2021**

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| **Agenda item** | **Decision** | **Actions** | **Lead Officer** | **Complete/Carried forward** |
| 1 | **Minutes** of the SEND Executive Board 14 July were agreed. | Deanne to follow up actions with officers outside the meeting. | Ann Banks | Complete. |
| 2 | **Therapy services**  Discussion about the current challenges in delivering therapy services. Fundamental issue is we are not meeting demand (particularly in relation to OT and SaLT) and we are expecting needs to increase. Focus so far has been attempting to respond to individual services to improve. Everyone acknowledged that this is a complex and growing problem which will take creativity to resolve.  As per what has been agreed in the APP, we need to be able to show progress within 6 and 12 months.  **Agreed**: To work collaboratively to design services that will meet current and future needs.  **Agreed:** Immediate actions are needed to tackle waiting lists | Case for change to be developed for the therapy services system to be approved by the Place for Children Board. Workshop with Senior Leaders arranged.  Report back to January SEND Board | Sarah Kerrigan  Jackie Cairns | On agenda for January meeting.  On agenda for January meeting. |
| 3 | **Outcomes Framework Proposal**  Agreed to stand down the next SEND Executive Board and use the time to work on developing the outcomes framework. | Board members to nominate officers to attend the outcomes workshop as appropriate. | Sarah Ledger | On agenda for January meeting. |
| 4 | **Local Offer update** | Board invited to the Local offer live event on 26/27 November. | Ann Banks | Update for January meeting |
| 5 | **AOB**  Jackie been successful to get funding to get a DCO, currently recruiting.  Vicky Jefferson to be PCF rep at SEND Executive Board. |  |  |  |
| 6  Summary | Meeting has demonstrated open, honest dialogue and consensus and commitment to securing rapid change. In respect of therapies, collectively we are currently not meeting the needs of our children and young people. We recognise that we have finite financial and human resources, but we have many assets to exploit to support children. We all agree that we must look at this as a systems issue and think creatively to ensure a fit for purpose therapies offer that meets current and future needs. |  |  |  |