

Using a partnership approach to transform outcomes for children

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Progress since LGR

- Prior to LGR were 6 Children's Trust Boards. While this allowed for local approaches it did not influence whole system change
- April – Dec 2009 Review of priorities in old CYP Plan, but move towards thinking about Outcomes – what will make a difference?
- January 2010 – present. Multi-agency Outcome leads group has lead a process of assessing needs, defining outcomes, and agreeing priorities, and produced a draft plan for consultation

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Current activity

- Key question – will anybody be better off as a result of this plan?
- Still too many priorities and too many day-to-day matters in the plan
- Plan will only be focussed on what cannot be achieved by a single agency
- Priorities are broad, but will be followed up by detailed time-bound annual action plan with quarterly monitoring

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Where do we want to get to?

- A place where everybody in the Borough (children, parents, providers and planners) agrees what the top priorities are to make things better for children, and how we are going to achieve that (commitments and entitlements)
- Joint budgets that cut across organisational boundaries if we can make better use of the money together

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Where do we want to get to?

- Away from targets, paper plans and tick boxes
- But
- Into a place where we do what we say we will for children and families and can be held to account, both as separate agencies and collectively.

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- One plan with overarching achievable outcomes/outputs
- But
- Broken down into specific actions/priorities for APB's, which are informed by and inform those APB's
- Local commissioning based on these plans, enabled by the CTB joint commissioning team, using evidence-based approaches

Where do we want to get to?

- A plan which we can then monitor and evaluate from a people and place perspective, that draws on all available public funds but also provides opportunities for investment from private and other public sources

Addressing Child Poverty – a plan for the Borough

- Locally, draw on lessons from Total Place
- Child Poverty Needs Assessment
- Child Poverty Strategy by April 2011
- Multi-agency approach –key themes:
- Tackling worklessness; early intervention; narrowing the gap in children's outcomes