

**Meeting:** Children, Education and Skills Sub-committee

**Date:** 16 November 2015

**Title:** ADHD Sub Group

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**Service:** Law and Governance

**Wards affected:** All

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## **1. Purpose of Report**

To provide the Sub-committee with a proposed scope for the Attention Deficit and Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD) Sub Group.

## **2. Recommendation(s)**

The Sub-committee is recommended to:

1. Consider and approve the proposed remit and work programme for the ADHD sub group and determine its membership.

## **3. Details**

- 3.1 North Tyneside Healthwatch and the local Parents' Support Group for children with Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD) and Autistic Spectrum Disorder (ASD) had requested that support provided for children with Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD) be considered as part of the Sub-committee's work programme.
- 3.2 As the topic also fell within the remit of the Adult Social Care, Health and Wellbeing Sub-Committee it was agreed that the Children, Education and Skills Sub-Committee would lead the work and that Councillors P Oliver and M Huscroft from the Adult Social Care, Health and Wellbeing Sub-Committee would be invited to attend the meeting when the topic was discussed.
- 3.3 At the meeting held on 16 February 2015, the Sub-committee considered a report produced by the Authority's Disability and Additional Needs Service which gave an update on ADHD, detailed the recommendations of the clinical guidelines produced by the National Institute for Health and Clinical Excellence (NICE) and provided some local context and information with regards to provision in North Tyneside. Councillors Huscroft and Oliver were invited to attend.
- 3.4 Also in attendance at the meeting were representatives from Healthwatch and the Parents' Support Group who presented a briefing note which summarised the context of their request for the issue to be considered and highlighted questions which they considered remained unanswered.

- 3.5 At the end of the discussion the Sub-committee agreed to establish a sub group in the 2015/16 municipal year and use the points raised in the Healthwatch Briefing Note as the basis for its remit (previous minute CES33/02/14).
- 3.6 The Sub-committee has completed its work on the Child Sexual Exploitation Sub Group and is now in a position to begin work on the ADHD sub group in the new year.
- 3.7 The Sub-committee is requested to approve the proposed scope and work programme of the ADHD Sub Group (attached as appendix A) and determine its membership.

#### **4. Appendices**

- Appendix A – Scoping document for the ADHD Sub Group.

## Scoping Template – ADHD Sub Group

Title of study		Support for Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD)
Name of sub group		ADHD Sub Group
Membership		TBC
1	Focus of study	
	Support provided for children with Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder and their families.	
2	Objectives	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To scrutinise current services available for those diagnosed with ADHD, across both social care and health.</li> <li>• Make recommendations on how the current provision could be improved.</li> </ul>	
3	Key questions	
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Is there a clear picture of the pathway children with ADHD, and their families, are expected to take through the Health, Social Care and Education systems? <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Do we know how well these systems are working together on the ground?</li> <li>b) Anticipating that the Care Act will significantly increase the Local Authority's obligation, how clearly is information provided to families about what help is available?</li> </ol> </li> <li>2. Why is there still no multi-agency group in North Tyneside (recommended by NICE in 2008), and can one be set up in 2015?</li> <li>3. Are the existing tools and processes delivering for children and young people with ADHD?</li> <li>4. Does the Local Authority have enough information about either prevalence or outcomes to be able to budget and provide for local need?</li> </ol>	
4	Evidence to be obtained	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• How children are identified</li> <li>• What systems are in operation and by which organisation</li> <li>• What information is available to parents</li> <li>• How do parents and young people feel about the process they have to go through and the support they receive</li> <li>• What data collation, management and sharing is undertaken and by which organisation(s)</li> </ul>	

5	Witnesses to be interviewed
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Representatives from Healthwatch</li> <li>• Parents of children with ADHD</li> <li>• Frontline staff</li> <li>• Staff from partnerships</li> </ul>
6	Identify methods of evidence gathering
	<p>Desk top/literature research  Briefing notes/presentations  Questioning witnesses</p>
7	Support required by the group/sub committee
	<p>The Sub Group will be supported by:</p> <p>Elizabeth Kerr, Democratic Services and an officer from the Authority's Disability and Additional Needs Service.</p>
8	External/independent advice
	n/a
9	Consultees for draft report
	Jacqui Old – Head of Health, Education, Care and Safeguarding
10	Date draft report required
	tbc
11	Date final report required
	tbc
12	Evaluation
	<p>Any recommendation(s) reported to Cabinet will require a response within 2 months under the requirements of Section 122 of the Local Government and Public Involvement in health Act 2007. Cabinet will be asked to clearly state whether or not it accepts the recommendation(s) and the reasons for the decision. Cabinet must indicate what action, if any, it proposes to take.</p> <p>If recommendations are accepted by Cabinet the proposed action to implement the recommendations can be monitored by the sub committee.</p>