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Foreword from Dr Carol Tozer
People Commissioner and Director of Children's Services for Torbay

Our Priorities

After reviewing the progress we have made, taking account of the views of professionals, partners, stakeholders and the wider community, we have defined the following priorities for the Children and Young People's Plan:

- Reduce the number of teenagers becoming pregnant
- Reduce the use of alcohol and substance misuse
- Ensure all children and young people are protected from abuse and neglect and feel safe and supported in their families and communities
- Raise attainment at all stages of education
- Improve attendance and behaviour at education settings
- Reduce the number of children and young people living in poverty

We will regularly monitor our progress in achieving these improvements and regularly update the activity plans contained within this plan, so that we can show how:

- every child and young person in Torbay is supported and helped to achieve the best outcomes they can
- every child and young person in Torbay lives in safety and good health, is well educated, enjoys their childhood and contributes positively to the community life of the Bay
- families are well supported to care for their children
- we can evidence that we are making a difference to children and families in Torbay

I am very proud to be the director of Children's Services for Torbay and Chair of the Children's Trust Commissioning Board. I look forward to continuing to work with partners to ensure further improvement in the outcomes for children and young people.

Dr Carol Tozer
People Commissioner and Director of Children's Services

Executive Summary

Torbay's Sustainable Community Strategy (Community Plan)

Torbay is clear about its priorities - "Turning the Tide" Torbay's community plan was launched in June 2007 and has drawn on the views of our residents as well as representatives from the business, community and voluntary sectors. Our 20 year ambition for Torbay is to be:

- a prosperous area known to be a great place to live and learn and grow up in
- an area where we compete on a world stage in our traditional industries of tourism and fishing
- an area where communities know and support each other and enjoy some of the best services in England
- an area that widens opportunities and provides high quality employment and retains our young people in the Bay
- an area that celebrates the differences in the three towns, builds on the strengths of these towns and brings back the feel-good factor:

The plan focuses on economic prosperity as the top priority for delivery of the vision and as a means of community prosperity.

The vision is broken down into four key themes these are:

- Pride in the bay
- Stronger communities
- Learning and skills for the future
- The new economy

Our shared vision for children and young people

All children's services professionals were invited to submit their vision for children and families in Torbay. The Children's Trust Delivery Board voted on the following winning vision:

"Everyone working together to ensure the best now and for the future for all our children and young people".

We want all Torbay's children and young people to grow up:

- healthy and emotionally secure and confident
- living in a caring and safe place
- having high aspirations which enable them to succeed as far as they can at school
- having a wide range of facilities and opportunities to enjoy recreation, play and have fun
- having stayed out of trouble
- in a Bay which sees them as valued members of the community
- having been actively encouraged and supported to have their say in all decision making that affects their lives
- having had every opportunity to achieve their ambitions

Underpinning this vision is:

- the United Nations' Convention on the Rights of the Child and its key themes of children participating in decisions which affect them, the provision of services and protection and keeping children safe.
- the Mayor's vision of a new English Riviera and Torbay Strategic Partnership 's community plan

Why do we have a Children and Young People's Plan?

The Children and Young People's Plan (CYPP) is a single plan about the needs, priorities and services provided for children, young people and their families/carers in Torbay. The Plan has been developed with oversight from Torbay Children's Trust, involving wide consultation and involvement of professionals across partners and key stakeholders, children and young people, their parents and wider community groups. This is our second three-year Plan which builds on the achievements and lessons learned from the development and delivery of our first Plan and the refresh undertaken for 2009 - 2010.

The Children and Young People's Plan is the overall vision for children and families in Torbay and forms the children's chapter of Torbay's Community Plan on behalf of Torbay Strategic Partnership. It is the Children's Trust's defining statement of its priorities for delivering measurable improvements for all children and young people across the five Every Child Matters (ECM) outcomes; Be Healthy, Stay Safe, Enjoy and Achieve, Make a Positive Contribution and Achieve Economic Well-being.

The plan shows how the Children's Trust partners will work together to improve outcomes for children and families and defines the priority areas we will focus on and activities we will undertake to help achieve these improvements. This plan is underpinned by the plans of partners who will direct resources to improve outcomes in the identified priority areas, over the next three years. We want to improve outcomes for all children and young people, reduce inequalities and narrow the gap between those who do well and those who do not. We must make sure we put in place good systems to identify all children who need extra help and we must intervene early to support them.

This plan contains six specific sections covering the plans we have agreed with partners to help achieve improved outcomes for children and families in Torbay, including:

- a needs assessment detailing what we know about the lives of children and families
- key developments detailing services provided and planned provision over the next 3 years, including development of Torbay Children's Trust
- a description of the actions undertaken to choose the priorities to focus on improving over the next 3 years, consultations held and views of young people
- a statement on how the budgets of the local authority and partners will be used to contribute to these improvements
- a risk assessment
- detailed activity plans which shows how we will monitor arrangements and the activities partners will undertake to help to achieve improved outcomes, including joint working.

Torbay context

The following sections detail key data identified in our assessment of need. The data has been drawn from various sources to show the areas of need for Torbay children and young people. These include a Joint Strategic Needs Assessment (data developed with partners such as Torbay Care Trust to show where need is in Torbay), Local Area Agreement priorities, TellUs Surveys (questionnaires for school children), the Place Survey (questionnaires for Torbay residents) and other national and local indicators.

Torbay has an area of 64 square kilometres with 35 kilometres of coastline and consists of the three towns of Torquay, Paignton and Brixham. It serves a small local authority area with a population of 134,200 (2007 mid year estimate) which is projected to grow by 4.4% to 141,300 in 2013. During the summer holiday season, the population increases by about 50,000. Children and young people (0-19) represent 21.9% of the population, slightly below the England figure of 22.9%. Older people are projected to continue to form a larger than average proportion of the community with those aged 50 and over projected to represent 45% of the population compared to 21.1% aged 0-19. Torbay has a small but increasing black and ethnic minority population (3.2% in 2001 increasing to 5.04% in 2009. In 2005/6 life expectancy at birth in Torbay was 78.5 for men and 82.7 for women.

Every Child Matters (ECM) outcome

Community Plan and Local Area Agreement priority - Stronger Communities

What we know about being healthy in Torbay

Healthy lifestyles

The majority of young people in Torbay are healthy, eat healthy and regularly exercise.

- Nearly 1 in 5 adults in Torbay are obese.
- 7.3% of children in the Reception Year (age 5-6) were shown by the National Child Measurement Programme (NCMP) to be obese (England 10%).
- 16.4% of children age 11 (Year 6) were obese (England 18.9%)
- 27% of adults continue to smoke and there is a rising proportion of teenage girls smoking, giving Torbay the highest prevalence rate in the whole of the South West.
- 8% of young people thought that they were not very healthy (Tellus3)
- 29% of young people usually eat 1-2 portions of fruit and vegetables each day (TellUs3)
2% eat no portions
- 80% of young people participated in high-quality PE and sport (2007/8) (England 76%)

Teenagers Becoming Pregnant

- The latest teenage conception data (2007) showed a rate of 57.4 conceptions per thousand young women aged 15 – 17 in Torbay, compared with 51.1 for the previous year. The 2007 rate was 29.9% higher than the 1998 baseline whilst the target is to reduce the 1998 rate by 50% by 2010. The teenage conception rate is significantly above the South West average of 36.0 and higher than the England rate of 41.9.
- Targeted prevention nurses working within high teenage pregnancy rates schools. School nurse walk in lunch time session in each secondary school at least once a week in addition to classroom PSHE work and one to one work with children and their families.

Alcohol & substance misuse

- While Torbay does not have a nationally distinctive culture of drug or alcohol abuse it is an issue for a significant minority of young people.
- 16% of young people said they had been drunk in the last week (8% 3 or more times). (England 16% and 6% respectively).
- 8% of young people regularly smoke cigarettes (6% every day)
- 11% of young people had used cannabis or skunk at least once in the last 4 weeks with 6% using 3 or more times (England %)
- 21.8% of mothers smoked at the time of delivery (2007/08) (England 14.4% & South West 14.1%)
- Alcohol liver disease admissions are twice the expected rate across Torbay as a whole and five times the expected rate in one ward.
- Torbay has over a 1000 problematic drug users.
- 2006-2008, hospital non-elective admissions related to mental health, alcohol-related mental disorders 102.1 (England 100). Roundham-with-Hyde (285.2), Tormohun (193.6) and Wellswood (178.8).
- 2006/07 alcohol related hospital admissions 1621 per 100,000 population (England 1384 & South West 1315)
- In the 2006 General User Satisfaction survey:
 - (a) 50% perceived people being drunk or rowdy in public as a problem (England 30.6%)
 - (b) 59% believed people not treating others with respect and consideration was a fairly or very big problem (England 47.7%)
 - (c) 64% perceived people using or dealing drugs as fairly/very big problem (England 43%)

Every Child Matters (ECM) outcome

Community Plan and Local Area Agreement priority - Stronger Communities

What we know about staying safe in Torbay

Children and Young People are Protected from Abuse and Neglect and Feel Safe

- Between April and December 2008, 1010 children were recorded by police as being present at incidents of domestic violence and abuse.
- 20% of all incidents (crime & non crime) reported were classed as Very High Risk. In 2007/8 there was one domestic abuse homicide.
- 84% of young people said they felt very or quite safe in school (England 88%) and 15% felt a bit or very unsafe in school (England 11%)
- 21% of young people felt a bit unsafe from being hurt by others (TellUs3) (England 19%)
- 140 per 10,000 young people aged 0-17 received unintentional and/or deliberate injuries in 2006/7 (England 123, South West 127)
- 118.7 young people per 10,000 had non-elective admissions for injuries & poisonings (0 – 14) (2007/8) (England 100)
- There are on average 272 incidents of domestic abuse in Torbay each month, with 86% of victims being female. Alcohol and/or drugs are involved in approximately 50% of domestic violence and abuse incidents. 20% of all incidents (crime & non crime) were reported as Very High Risk. There was 1 Domestic Abuse Homicide 2007-08.
- There were 76 young people subject to a child protection plan at 31st March 2009. This rose to 100 by October.
- 72.8% of initial assessments for children in need were carried out within 7 working days (to end June 2009)
- 71.2% of core assessments were carried out on time (within 35 working days)
- 4.5% of child protection plans which ended during the year had lasted at least 2 years (NI64)
- 10.3% of child protection plans started during the year were repeat plans (NI 65)
- 70 out of 73 reviews of child protection cases were carried out on time (95.9%)
- 91.9% of referrals in the year went on to initial assessment (841/914)
- 48% of young people said they have never been bullied at school (England 56%)
- 7% of children and young people said they were bullied most days (England 6%)
- 26% of young people said their school dealt with bullying very or quite well (England 35%)
- 22% of young people said their school dealt with bullying badly (England 16%)
- **NI 111 First time youth offending**
- Numbers of young people receiving final warnings, reprimands or convictions
- 2344 first time entrants aged 10 – 17 to the criminal justice system (2007/8) per 100,000 (England 1825 & South West 1657)
- 73% of people who believed that parents not being made to take responsibility for the behaviour of their children was a fairly or very big problem (2006 General User Satisfaction survey) (England 61.7%)
- Youth Inclusion Project has proved a successful model in reducing youth crime and has been extended into Paignton and Brixham. By targeting Youth Service and Play Ranger resource into the most deprived wards, it is intended that young people should feel safer. Start up of “R Nite” on a Saturday night is based on a model used successfully elsewhere to reduce anti-social behaviour.
- Well-established Missing Persons protocol and tracking system. Numbers of reported Children Missing Education rose by over 100% between 05/06 and 06/07. The percentage of those tracked and located has remained at 97%. Intelligence sharing and operational arrangements with the Police are being strengthened further, including a Police Officer to be located in Union House with Children in Need team.

Every Child Matters (ECM) outcome

Community Plan and Local Area Agreement priority - Learning and Skills for the future

What we know about enjoy & achieve in Torbay

Attainment at education settings

- In Early Years, significantly more children are meeting their early learning goals. Since 2005 there has been a 10% rise in the number of children attaining 78+ points on the Foundation stage tests. This increase is well above statistical neighbour and national levels of improvement. The gap has narrowed by 7% between 20% lowest performers and the rest over the last 3 years. Children in the most deprived super-output areas are improving at a greater rate than the rest, which is evidence of the effective targeting and positive impact of early years settings and Children's Centres.
- The provisional results for 2009 for pupils achieving Level 2 or above are in line with the figure for England but below for those achieving Level 3 or above. The average point score is below the figure for the South West and England.
- The 2008 Key Stage 2 results, showed improvement but remained below those nationally. The provisional results for 2009 show some further improvement in English and maths but continue to be below those for the South West and England. 79% (74% of boys & 84% of girls) achieved Level 4 or higher in English (England 80% & South West 81%)
- 77% (77% of boys & 87% of girls) achieved Level 4 or higher in maths (England 79% & South West 79%)
- 87% (85% of boys & 89% of girls) achieved Level 4 or higher in science (England 88% & South West 89%)
- Performance at Key Stage 3 is well above national levels in all Key Stage 3 subjects, and especially English
- Key Stage 4 performance is at national levels with more pupils gaining five or more grades A* to C including English and mathematics than the national average. The proportion of pupils leaving school with no qualifications has declined.
- The provisional results for 2009 - 5+A*-C including Maths & English 53.6%, 5+A*-C 66.6% (England 50.4% & 69.2% respectively; South West 51.6% & 67.5% respectively)
- In 2007/8 the total absence rates was 5.52% (Primary) & 8.2% (Secondary). Despite recent improvement these are higher than South West & England averages.
- During Autumn 2008 total absence was 6.11% (Primary) & 7.94% (Secondary) (South West 5.28% & 7% and England 5.61% & 7.31% respectively)
- During Spring 2009 total absence was 6.07% (Primary) & 7.69% (Secondary) (South West 5.29% & 6.99% and England 5.28% & 7.15% respectively)
- Take up of 14-19 learning diplomas (NI 90)
- % of 16-18 year olds not in education, employment or training NEETs) (2008/9) 4.8% (England 6.7% and South West 5.7%)
- % of 17 year olds in education or training (NI 91) 74.2%, 2007/7 76.1% 2006/7
- Implementation of ENABLE Pilot in 8 schools (5 Primary and 3 secondary). Pilot review indicates this has had apposite impact in supporting schools in working with children with Social, Emotional and Behavioural difficulties (SEBS).
- Fair Access protocol agreed for secondary schools in admitting children who have been excluded from schools.
- Educational Psychology Service has adopted a consultation model of working and aligned intervention activities with work of Cluster teams.
- There has been a reduction in permanent exclusions in all phases.

Every Child Matters (ECM) outcome

Community Plan and Local Area Agreement priority Stronger Communities

What we know about making a positive contribution in Torbay

Participation in decision making and positive activities including volunteering

- TellUs3 30% thought children & young people's views about the local area were listened to a great deal or a fair amount, 37% not very much & 18% not at all.
- 52% of children & young people thought their views are listened to in the running of their school a great deal, 32% not very much and 8% not at all
- 55% of young people in the last year had given their time to help a charity, a local voluntary group, a neighbour or someone else in the local area (TellUs3) (England 61%)
- 539 young people aged 13 – 19 gained an accredited outcome in 2008/9 (NI 110) (compared to a target of 492)
- **Add Tell Us 4 data**
- 2000 young people consulted as part of the Integrated Youth Support Service (IYSS) agenda – enabling them to help shape local priorities. Young people involved in planning and set-up of “R Nite” and development of leisure opportunities. Young people have successfully administered the Youth Opportunity and Youth Capital funds and shaped local Play Strategy.
- Children's Rights has worked with the Council and special schools to establish the views of Children with Learning Difficulties and Disabilities, who have access to advocacy services.
- A member of the Youth Parliament has been elected and is supported by the Youth Service to contribute towards council decision-making processes. Young people's consultation groups are regularly used to inform decisions.
- Junior Street Wardens are in place.
- The Youth Service is improving and making a more visible contribution to school and multi-disciplinary agendas. Numbers of young people receiving a service have increased. Pattern of staffing is shifting towards more evening and weekend provision. Improved communications with partners and schools through regular newsletters and Youth Service/School visits.
- Games Bus, Youth Van, Youth Inclusion Project and more opportunities during weekends and evenings are all aimed at reducing anti-social behaviour.
- Participation Strategy published in November 2007 – full engagement from young people.
- Youth Cabinet now set up following successful Youth Parliament elections – largest number of student candidates for elections in Torbay.
- Youth Service offering dedicated support to Youth cabinet members to facilitate young people's voice in the planning and development of services.

Participation

Children and young people, including those with learning difficulties and/or disabilities are regularly engaged in decision making and have shaped priorities of the Children's Trust (APA 2008 strength). Very good performance on looked after children contributing their views to statutory reviews (APA 2008 strength). Torbay Youth Elections proved popular with 1985 votes cast (around 1 in 6 young people who were eligible to vote took the time to do so). The member of Youth Parliament, his deputy and Youth Cabinet supported by Youth Service to contribute towards council decision-making processes. Young people's consultation groups regularly used to inform decisions.

Junior Street Wardens are in place.

Every Child Matters (ECM) outcome

Community Plan and Local Area Agreement priority

The New Economy

What we know about achieving economic well-being in Torbay

Children and Young People Living in Poverty

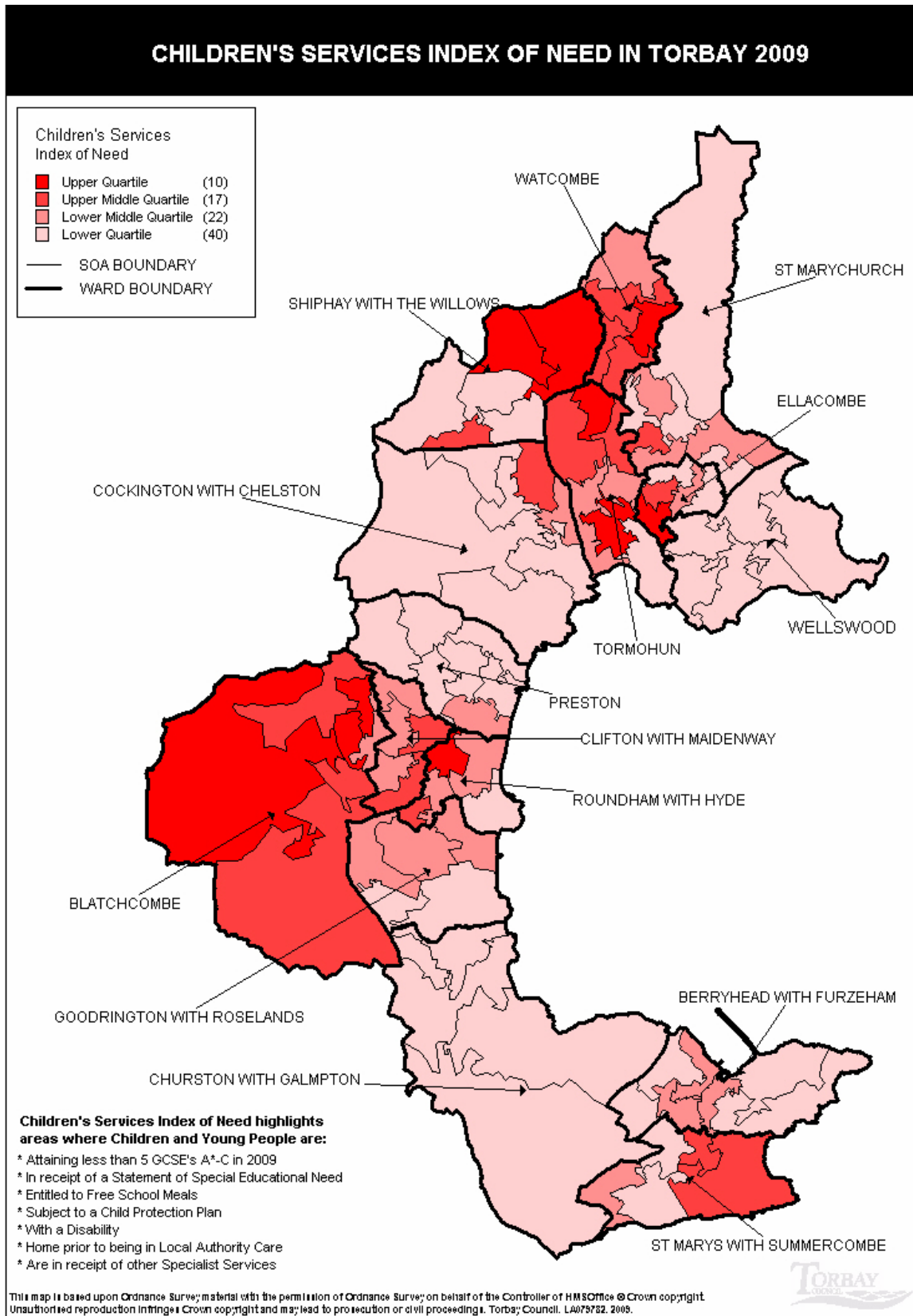
- Income deprivation affecting children (2007) - 1 ward ranked in top 10%, 4 in 10%+ to 20%, 3 in 20%+ to 30%, 6 in 30%+ to 40% and 1 40%+ to 50%
- 11.1% of pupils took free school meals (2008) (England 11.8% & South West 7.7%)
- 9.2% dependent children are living in overcrowded households (England 12.5% and South West 7.8%)
- in 2008/09, 93.3% of care leavers were living in suitable accommodation (NI 147) (England 88.4% and South West 90.6%)
- **Proportion of children living in poverty NI 116)**
- Care leavers in education, employment or training (NI 148)
- Connexions service regarded positively by young people. Only 5.7% of young people are not in employment, education or training – ahead of target and best in the South West. Only two young people did not receive a September Guarantee offer.

Economic context

- Torbay has pockets of severe multiple deprivation with 2 wards ranked in top 10%, 4 in 10%+ to 20% and 4 in 20%+ to 30%.
- Three wards have in excess of 40% of children in poverty with Tormohun being the worst at 75.7%, (2004). The England average is 28.3%.
- Torbay's economy faces significant pressures. While unemployment is low it remains the highest in the Region. Torbay's share of unemployment across the region has grown from 3.93% in 2000 to 4.7% in May 2009. In the South West, the proportion of the working population claiming Job Seekers allowance is 3.1%. The national figure is 4.1%.
- Gross Value Added per head is 63% of the English average. This is the lowest in the south west region and 6th lowest in England.
- Earnings are noticeably lower than the national figure, with the mean gross pay for residents only being 78% of the national figure.
- House prices are 9.45 times average earnings.
- Net additional homes provided (NI 154). Number of affordable homes delivered (NI 155) Performance in 2008/9 of 119 was well below the target of 150. Performance in 2007/8 of 149 was in line with the target of 145.

Map: Torbay Children's Services – index of need

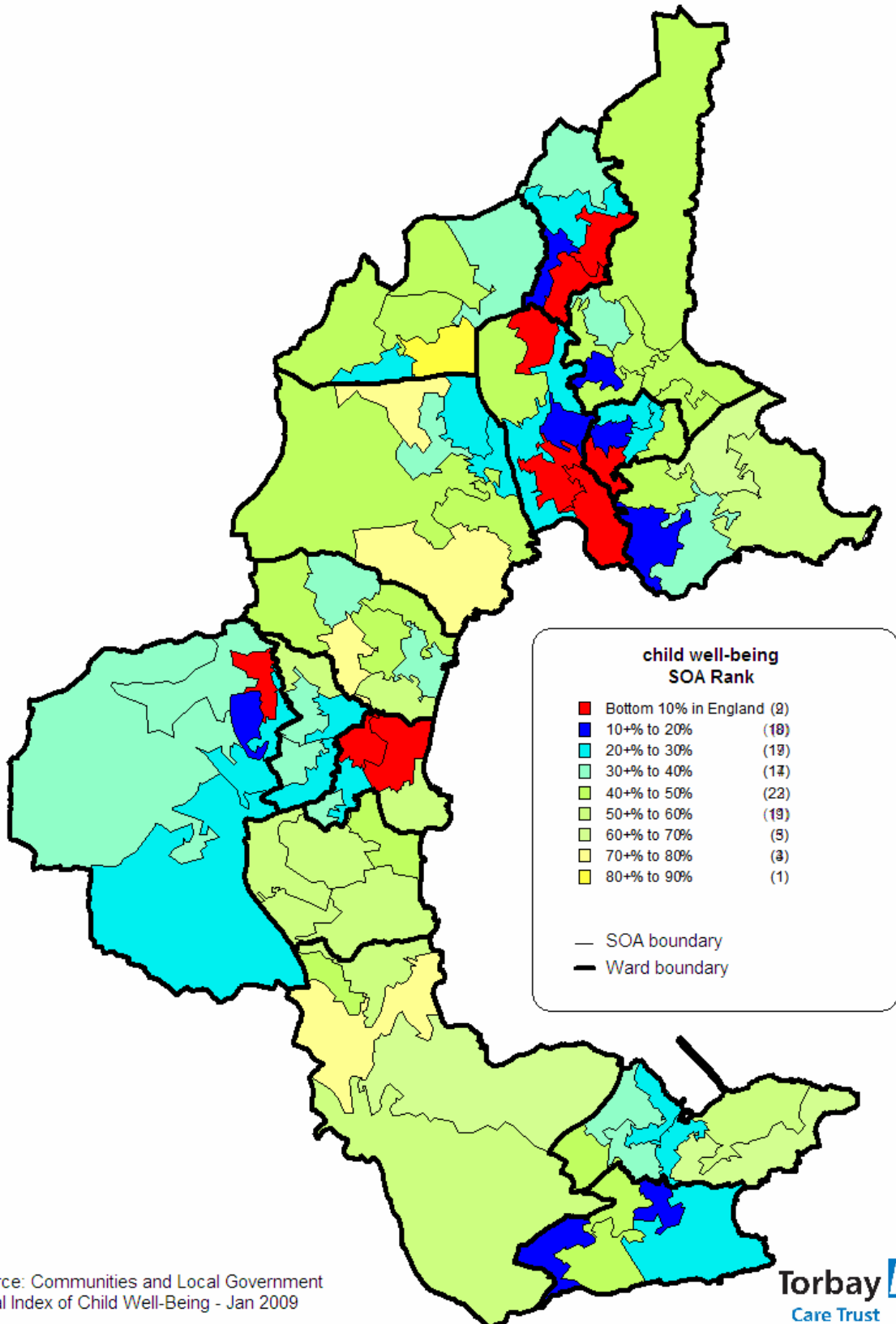
We have combined a number of factors that model children and young people's levels of need. The darker colour shows highest levels of need, reducing to lowest level in the lightest colour. Areas of greatest need match areas of deprivation.



LOCAL INDEX OF CHILD WELL-BEING

The Child Well-being Index is made up of domains of material well-being, health, education, crime, housing, environment and children in need. Red shows the bottom/worst 10% in England.

CHILD WELL-BEING 2009 LOCAL INDEX OF CHILD WELL-BEING



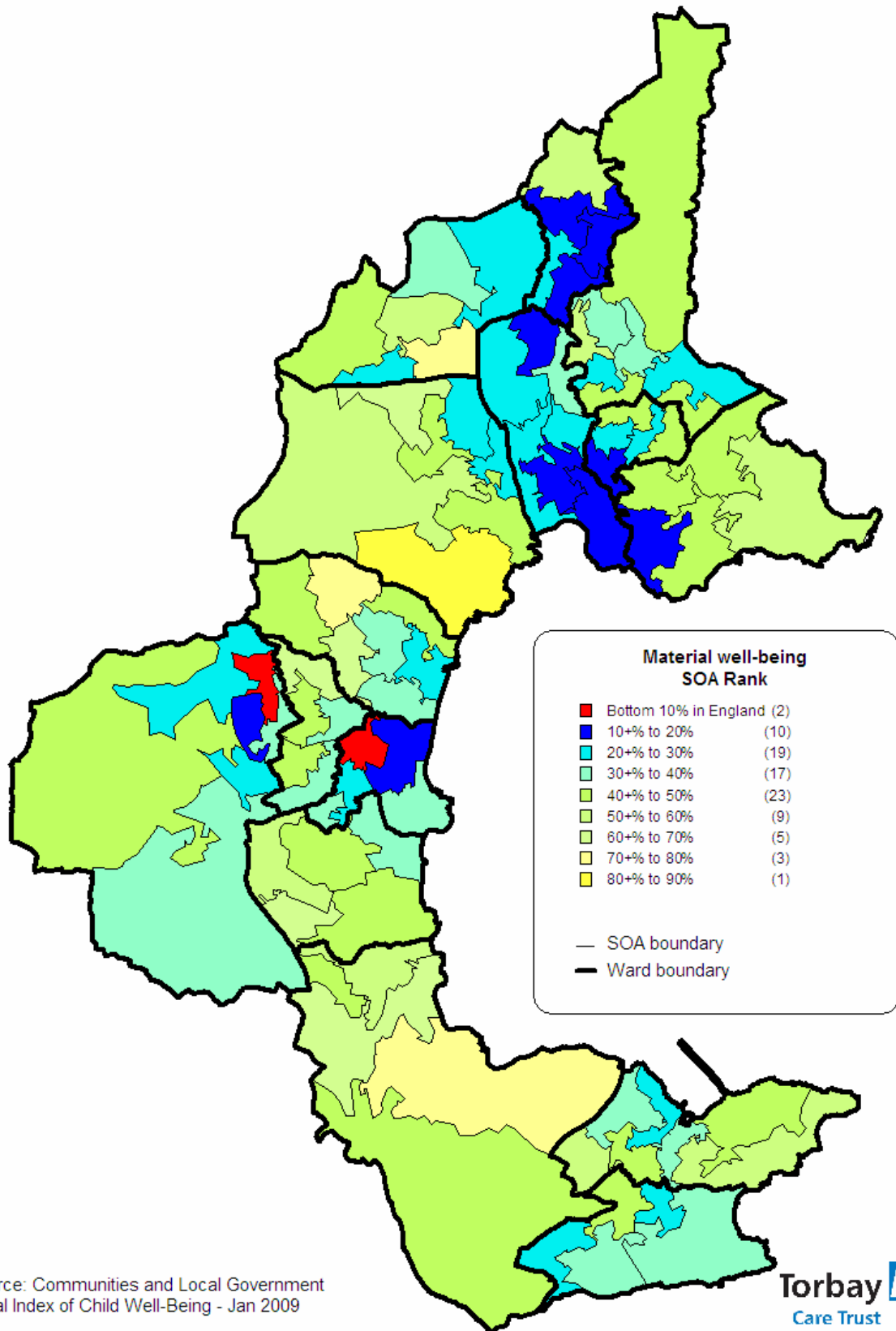
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MATERIAL WELL-BEING

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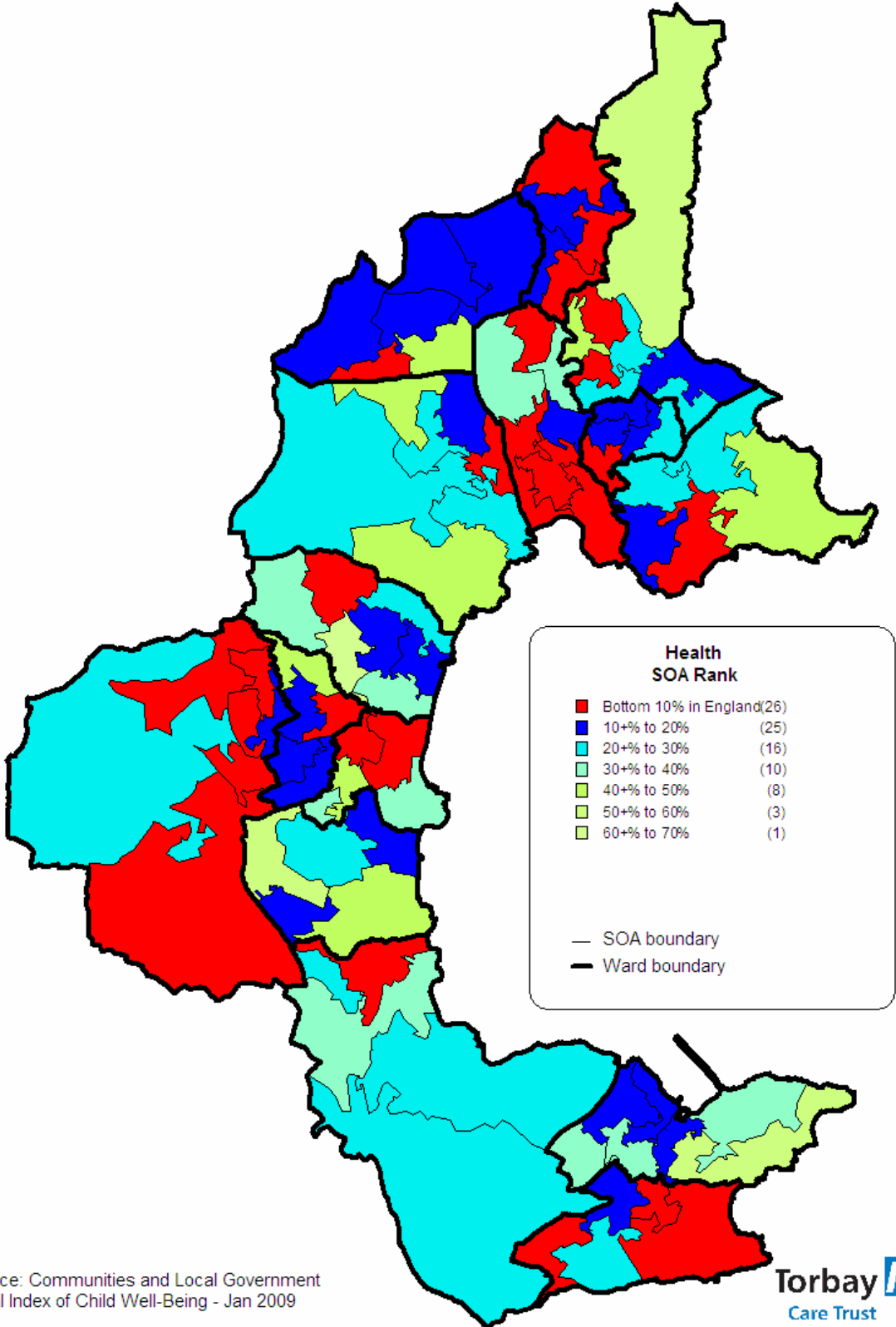
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HEALTH

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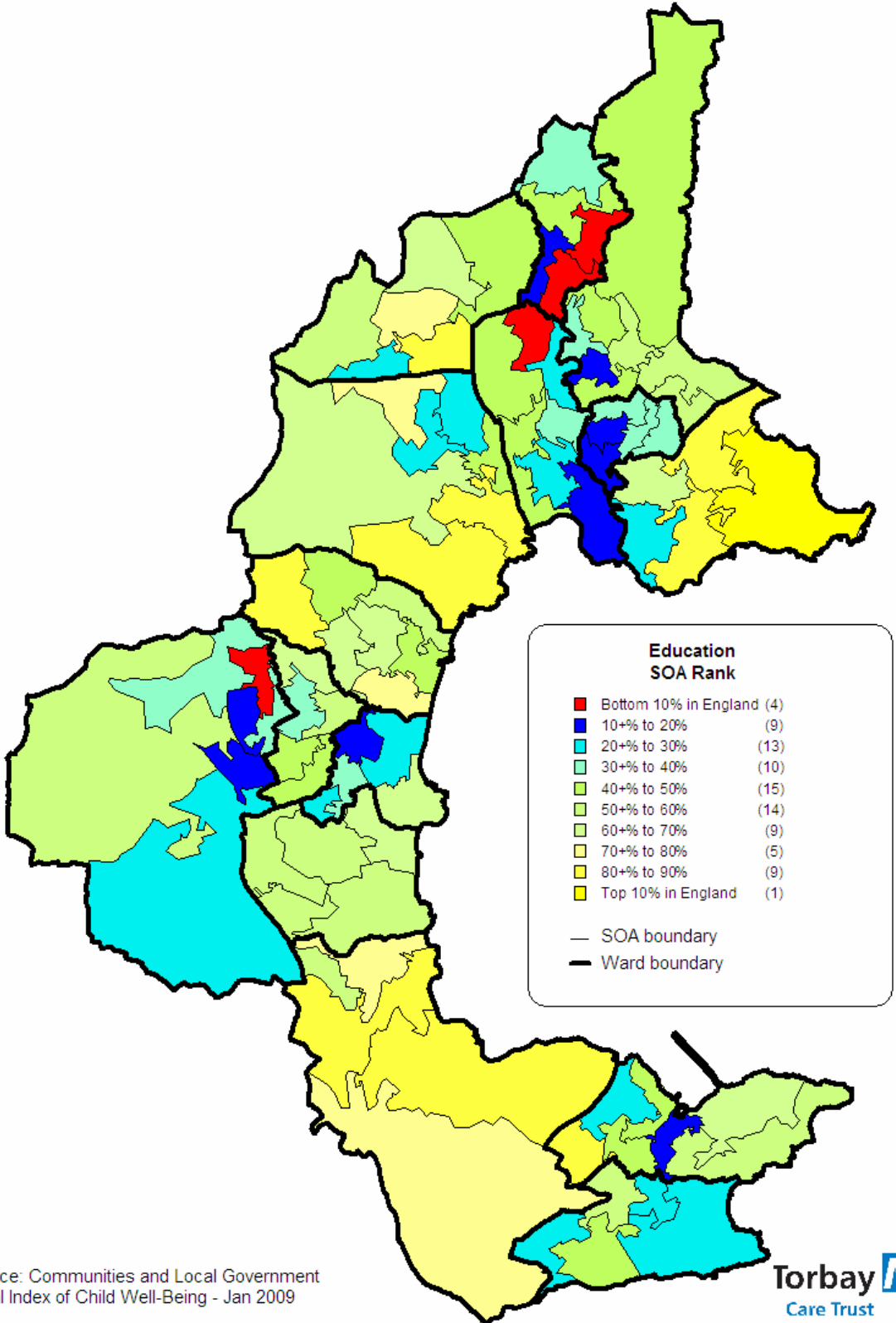


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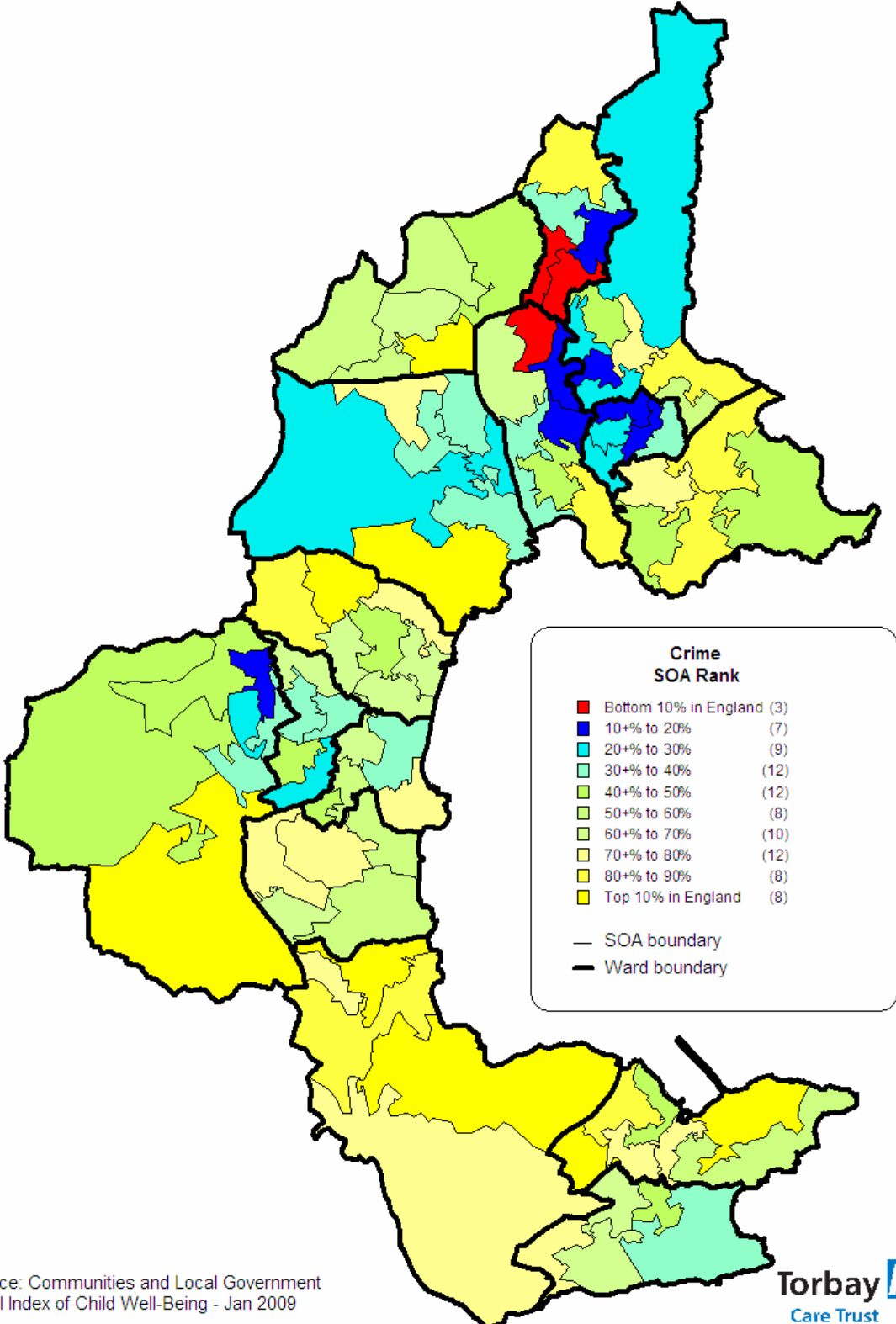
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CRIME

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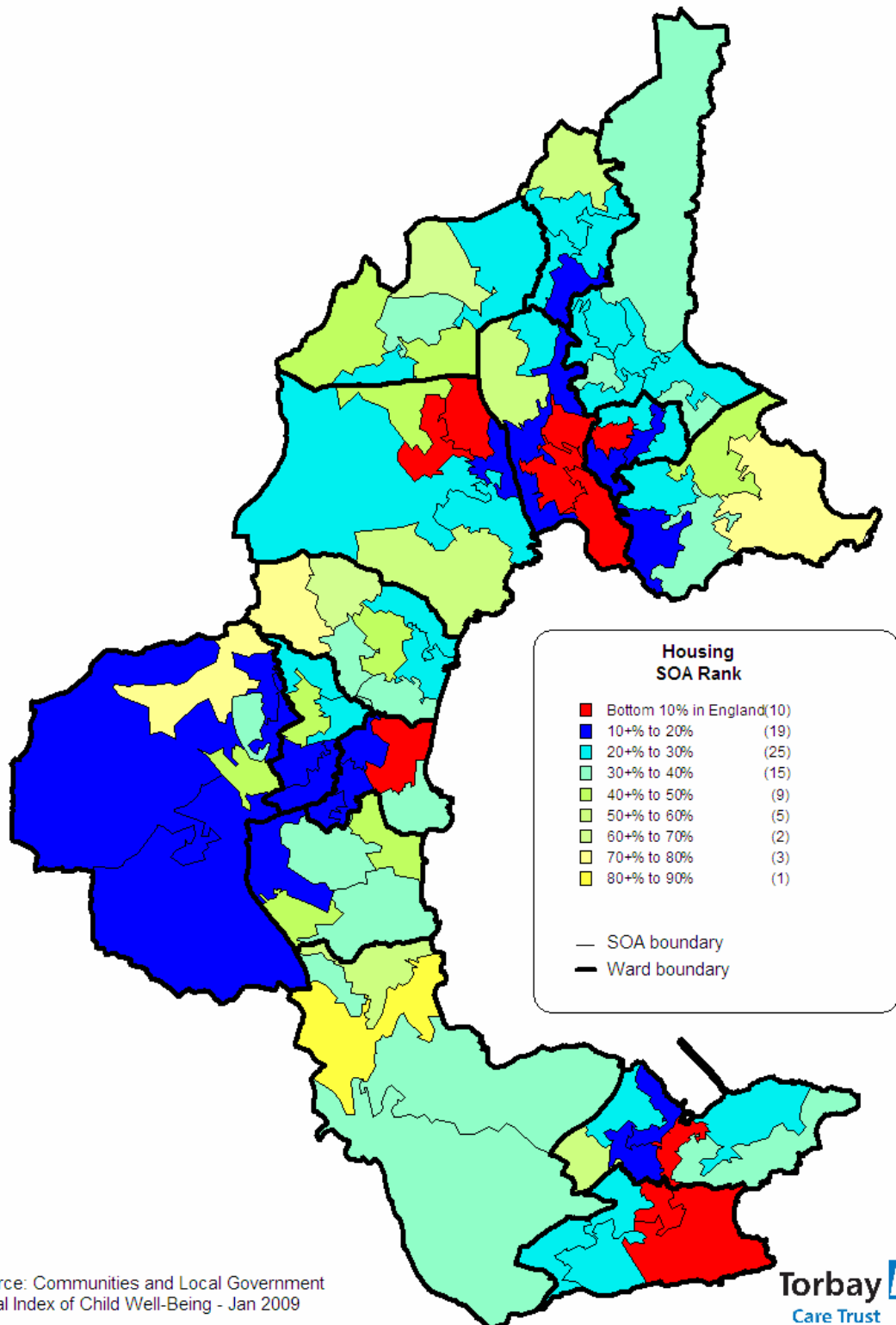
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HOUSING

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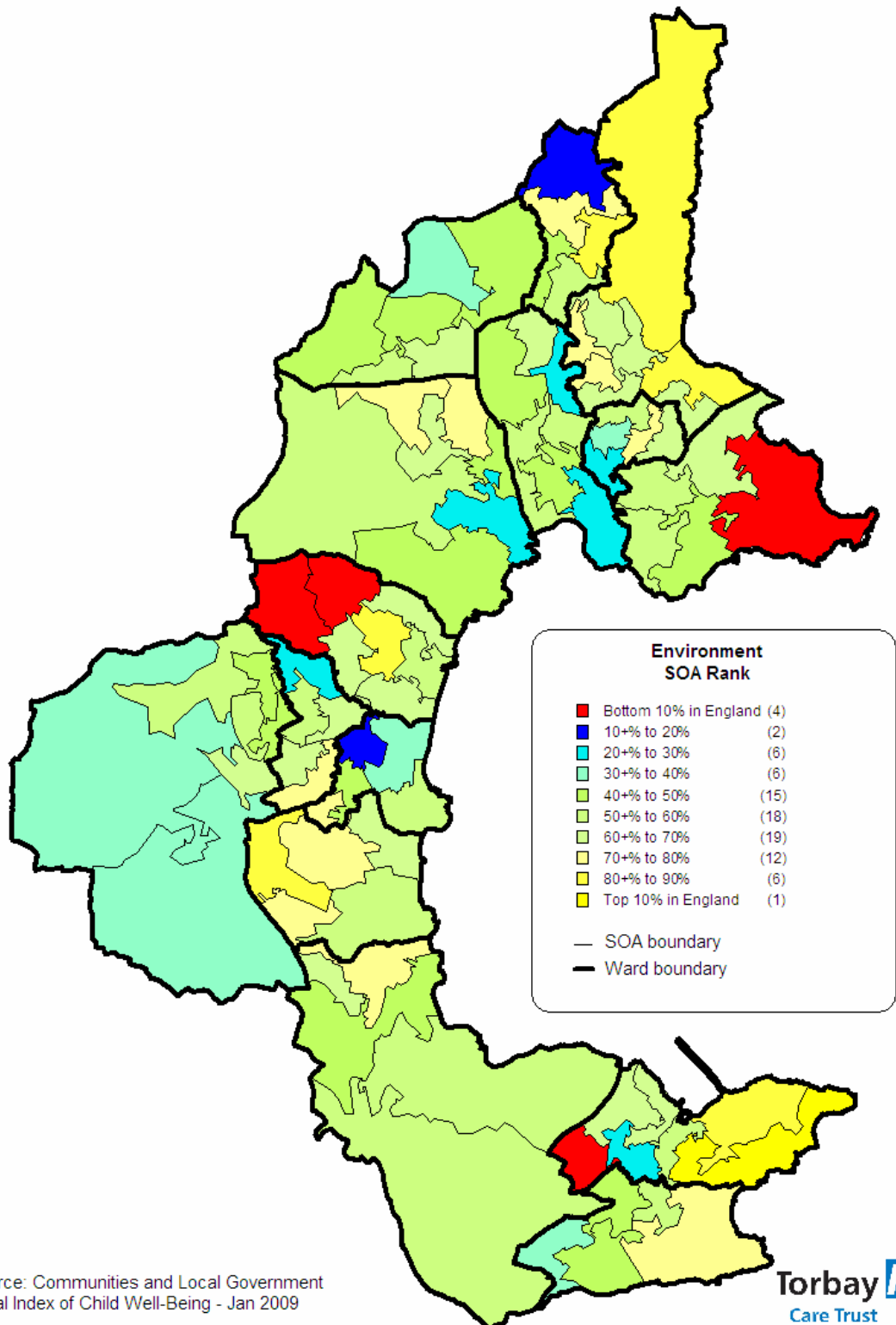


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**ENVIRONMENT (HEALTH, EXERCISE AND SAFE INDEPENDENT MOBILITY)
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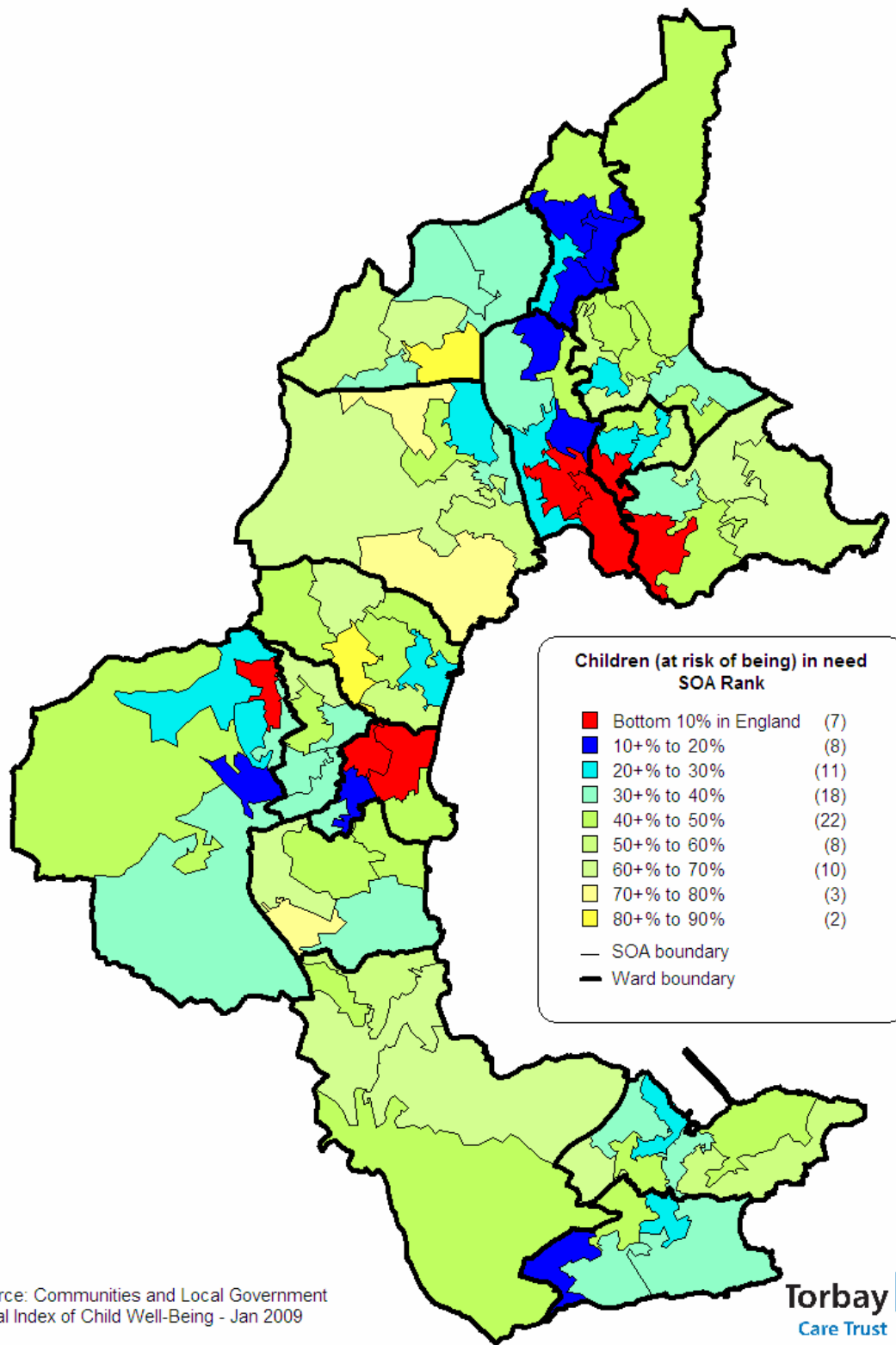


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CHILDREN (AT RISK OF BEING) IN NEED 2009 LOCAL INDEX OF CHILD WELL-BEING



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Torbay Snapshot

Who are we working for?	No. of children
Children and young people aged 0-19	25,883
Universal (January 2009)	
Children on school roll	18,573
Children who took free school meals	2262
Children subject to Special Educational Needs (SEN)	758
- Action	2291
- Action Plus	1028
Children transferring school	
- primary age	1283
- secondary age	1335
Children and young people assisted with school transport:	
Transport on 4-16 seat vehicles (special educational, medical needs or primary age)	500
Children and Young People with Travel Passes to be used on Public Buses	1387
Children and Young People with 14-19 Diploma Travel Passes – to access other sites	75
Statements of SEN	
Targeted	
Children and young people with some type of mental health disorder	
Average no. of children absent (unauthorised) from school per day:	
- primary age	
- secondary age	
Permanently excluded from school	
Left school with no qualifications	
16-18 year olds with no education, employment or training (NEET)	260 (5.6%)
Young people receiving interventions from Substance Misuse Service	
Referred to Youth Support annually	
Young carers	311
Children in need (of social care services)	905
Referred to Youth Offending Team (YOT) annually	222
Referred to Children and Adolescent Mental Health Services (CAHMS) Annually	
Specialist	
Children with disabilities receiving social care services	185
Girls under 16 becoming pregnant	
Hospital admissions due to use of alcohol (14-18)	
Children looked after	182
Children subject to child protection plan	99

Key Developments

Integrated Systems and Processes

Transformation of Children's Services (Richard to provide)

Including strategy for SureStart centres and recent developments in Early Years

Adults' & children's services should join up to work more effectively around families. E.g, adults' services may not take sufficient account of implications for family when adult is receiving drug treatment or has mental health problems. Services do not always know enough about child's family context, e.g, if they are young carer or have a parent in prison.

Planning for services must be coordinated with services working with families. For example, drug & alcohol treatment services should identify which clients are also parents & develop services that combine treatment with parenting classes & provide childcare to enable parents to attend. Government wants LAs & partners to see support for parents as a continuum, from universal services to early intervention and preventative services. Services should be used as appropriate, starting with provision of good high quality advice and information about services through to targeting intensive interventions. Full use of the opportunities offered by children's centres, extended schools and other settings used by children should be made. The local parenting support strategy should inform CYPP. Implementation of 'think family' model developed by Social Exclusion Task Force 'Families at Risk Review' will help systems changes at every level to ensure earlier identification of need, whole family assessments, multi-agency teams around the family, better information sharing, workforce development, joined up planning and commissioning and better integrated adult and children's services.

Integrated Strategy – strategic planning and commissioning.

This plan needs to show how the Torbay Care Trust and CYPP should show how PCT & LA work in partnership to achieve goals through CT including:

- involvement of GP practices in development of CYPP (context of practice-based commissioning);
- development of holistic support for child & family needs including mental health promotion & meeting speech, language & communication needs that require coordinated interventions by both health and education professionals - Bercow Report: Review of Services for CYP with Speech, Language and Communication Needs);

Integrated Processes – fostering professional understanding between services.

Integrated Front-Line Delivery – the right services where they are needed.

Inter-Agency Governance – leadership and whole system change.

CYPPs will need to show how LA is providing access to good quality, comprehensive and impartial IAG. Responsibility for commissioning IAG services and the funding that goes with responsibility has been transferred to LAs & should be reflected in CYPP. Guidance on IAG defines services LAs with Children's Trust partners, are expected to commission and manage.

Targeting resources to impact on health

Torbay Care Trust has invested £500,000 in two major schemes aimed at reducing admissions to hospital for alcohol misuse and an innovative additional health visiting service which is focused on young mums in target areas. The Family Health Partnership offers an intensive, preventative home-visiting programme. Specially-trained Partnership Nurses will visit young parents weekly and fortnightly which will start in early pregnancy and continue until the child's second birthday. The programme aims to achieve wide and far-reaching outcomes – including fewer subsequent pregnancies and greater intervals between births, an increase in the involvement of fathers and an improvement in that children are more prepared to go to school.

The programme has three main goals:

- To improve maternal health
- To improve child health and development
- To improve the course of parental life

New developments aimed at reducing the rate of hospital admissions due to alcohol include:

- Investing in hospital-based alcohol workers to support hospital staff in the management of patients who have alcohol issues and following them up in the community. A further Under 18yrs substance misuse worker has also been funded and has established a referral system with A&E for young people and work with young people who experience difficult ties with alcohol.

The Care Trust also opened two shops on Torquay's Union Street to help people stop smoking and provide general help for young people. Health Wize offer free and confidential health advice, signposting and support aimed at young people aged 13 - 24 years. Young people can access the C-Card (condom) scheme (including registration and distribution), pregnancy testing, Chlamydia testing and emergency contraception as well as wider health messages

HEALTH WIZE LOGO AND PICTURE OF SHOP



What we offer...

Services for Children with disabilities and CAMHS

Child and Adolescent Mental health Services (CAMHS) promote the mental health and psychological wellbeing of children and young people. CAMHS provide high quality, multidisciplinary mental health services to all children and young people with mental health problems and disorders to ensure effective assessment, treatment and support, for them and their families. Torbay provides:

- Services for Children with learning disabilities and mental health issues
- Services for 16-17 year olds
- Emergency out of hours cover
- Early intervention support services

Following introduction of new Choice And Partnership Approach had improved access to the service with waiting times for assessment, allocation and therapy remain within 13-18 weeks.

ASD multi agency pathway in operation

ADHD nurse post recruited and joint clinic between CAMHS and pediatricians being set up.

CAMHS "Targeted mental health in schools" staff in post.

Interagency – partnership working has been extremely good with clear understanding and support of the CAMHS is everyone's business agenda.

Some challenges remain including:

- Recruitment has been difficult to a number of specialist posts such as family therapist and psychologist and there is a vacancy for psychiatrist.
- Working in a more integrated way with colleagues across health and children services to ensure a seamless pathway for parents and their children supporting them at an earlier stage within universal community settings.

Attendance Improvement Service

Ensuring best attendance is all of our business

"The aim of the attendance improvement service is to eliminate poor school attendance across the Bay and help children and young people achieve the very best outcomes they can during their time at school. We do this by identifying, supporting and, where necessary, intervening in those families where children have a poor attendance record. As a council we work with schools to celebrate and promote excellent attendance" (Torbay Attendance Strategy 2009 - 11).

Torbay Attendance Improvement Service has eight Attendance Improvement Officers. In addition, and as part of the strategy and service delivery, we also have four of our secondary schools who have been commissioned to employ their own Attendance Officers. They work in partnership with the Attendance Improvement Officers ensuring a Torbay joined up and integrated service. Each AIO has a number of schools to which they offer dedicated attendance advice, support and guidance. They also work directly with children, young people and their families when there is poor attendance. Voluntary engagement with parents /carers and pupils is always the preferred option but when attendance is not improving the service has a range of statutory interventions that can and do make a difference. Ensuring good attendance is a priority of Torbay Council and working in partnership with our internal and external colleagues to achieve this is critical to ensuring improved attendance and outcomes. The Attendance Improvement Services is one of the Cluster Early Intervention Services and works alongside Cluster Family Support Workers, Parenting Support Facilitators, Youth Workers and Targeted Youth Support to improve outcomes for children Young People and Families of the bay

Attendance Week involved a variety of events, workshops, techniques and incentives with the aim to improve attendance across all schools in Torbay, by engaging pupils, professionals and parents to think about the importance of good attendance and how it can help pupils stay safe, enjoy school and achieve their full potential.



Reducing Teenage Pregnancies

As Beverly Hughes in her foreword to the National Strategy points out: *“Being a parent requires emotional maturity, financial security and the support of partners, family and friends. Teenagers who become parents are less likely to be in this position and are at higher risk of long-term social exclusion. They all too often end up raising their children in poverty, particularly those who leave education when they become pregnant, and their lack of qualifications can trap them in poverty for the rest of their lives. Children born to teenage mothers generally face disadvantage too: they are more likely to die in infancy; have poor health; and do badly at school. Daughters of teenage mothers are more likely to become teenage mothers themselves, continuing the cycle of early parenthood and social exclusion.”*

Reducing the number of teenagers becoming pregnant has been identified as a priority within Torbay Council, Torbay Care Trust and partners. We have a target to reduce the 1998 conception rate for young women under 18 by 50% by 2010. Unfortunately, Torbay has seen an increase in the rate, rather than a decrease. Although many initiatives have been implemented, it is recognised that these can take some time to influence the rates. Research shows that the majority of teenage pregnancies are unplanned and most young parents wish they had waited. In 2007, 56% of teenage conceptions in Torbay led to abortion, indicating that many local young people have unwanted pregnancies. Torbay’s ambition is that all young people should have the skills, confidence and motivation to look after their sexual health and reduce teenage pregnancies. The Reducing Teenage Pregnancy Strategy focuses on The National Teenage Pregnancy Strategy Unit recommendations for effective reduction in conception rates and Torbay considered local needs identified by young people and professionals. In particular the following two studies were used to develop the way forward.

The Torbay School Nursing Service conducted a Sex and Relationships Education (SRE) consultation in line with the national toolkit – Are we getting it right? The survey asked young people what would make their Sex and Relationships Education better and they identified:

- more separate lessons for SRE;
- to be able to choose SRE as a GCSE;
- lessons should be more in-depth;
- sometimes boys and girls should be taught separately so they have confidence to talk; and
- more local information is needed.



The Children’s Society conducted research with 20 male and 35 female young people who had been identified as finding services hard to reach. They identified issues with:



- concern about confidentiality;
- with regards to sexual health - they learned from ‘mistakes’;
- the use of alcohol led to risky sexual activities;
- they are fed up with being told facts and would prefer discussions and advice on positive relationships;
- they prefer face to face services rather than leaflets;
- young men still feel under pressure to ‘perform’;
- they want to access full sexual health services in ‘Youth Centres’ that also have recreational and educational activities;
- homophobia and fear of homophobia prevented lesbian, gay, bisexual, transsexual and questioning young people from accessing information and advice;
- they want male and female workers, so they can choose who to talk to and want people who are young, friendly, well-trained and knowledgeable about sexual health.

The three year strategy therefore outlines the following priority areas for Torbay:

Young people focused contraceptive / sexual health services:

- Trusted by teenagers and well known by professionals working with them
- Strong Delivery of Sex and Relationship Education /Personal Social Health Education by schools
- Targeted work with 'at risk' groups of young people; in particular Looked After Children and Care Leavers.
- Work with parents



Torbay Condom-Card scheme

The Torbay c-card is a service offering free condoms and sexual health information to young people. Various young people's agencies and GP surgeries across Torbay are involved in the scheme.

Torbay Care Trust - Tackling Teenage Conceptions

The four priorities for Torbay care Trust remain as:

- Young people focused contraceptive sexual health services
- strong delivery of Sex and Relationships Education
- Targeted work with at risk young people
- Targeted work with parents and carers.



Effective work is taking place across all these priority areas, but this is not yet reducing the teenage conception rates. The continuing challenge, therefore, is to remain focused on these priorities and continue to raise standards and improve performance across all agencies.

CAF and eCAF

Torbay has mainstreamed CAF following the initial pilot activity, and has trained over 300 practitioners in the use of eCAF from across CS and partner agencies. Many CAF's are generated by schools reflecting their engagement and commitment to CAF and integrated working. Torbay has initiated a "distance travelled" monitoring tool to provide valuable management information about the impact of CAF activity, both for individual children and for aggregated planning. We have an average of 50 CAFs a month, most of which are now paper CAFs. eCAF has enabled us to access services more quickly and we currently all have the main services on the system as a result of the rigorous training of staff. Torbay will decide during 2010 whether or not to migrate from the current local interim eCAF system to the national eCAF system. Over 300 staff have signed up to eCAF training and therefore becoming the initial lead professional on eCAF. All agencies have accepted the Lead Professional role with schools, Targeted Youth Support and parent support workers taking on the majority of the ongoing cases.

Information Sharing

Torbay has trained over 500 staff from across agencies in Information Sharing Practice, and continues to promote sound and robust information sharing practice. More staff are requesting access to partners information systems and Torbay is exploring the best way to facilitate this electronically whilst complying with data sharing (protection) guidance and legislation. Torbay recognises that as integrated working continues to develop there is a need for further guidance from HMG on how to integrate historic information management arrangements, practices and cultures.

ContactPoint

ContactPoint: Torbay has achieved all DCSF milestones in implementing ContactPoint and started to train local staff in December 2009. Partners are engaged and working on their accreditation and subsequent training. Torbay is optimistic about the potential of ContactPoint to improve information sharing between professionals that will improve outcomes for children and young people.

Capital Planning

Children's Services has an extensive programme of capital investment to support its priorities. Examples of investment include:

- new, additional **Children's Centres** - to work with families with young children to improve parenting and get children ready to learn
- new **Youth Centres** - to provide bases for positive activities and give young people decision-making responsibility for
- new **replacement school buildings** - to replace worn out buildings which hinder good teaching and learning
- new **additional school buildings** to promote new new learning opportunities for the 14-19 age groups to raise the attainment and aspirations of young people and develop pathways to employment, further and higher education.
- **major school transformation projects** featuring whole school rebuilds allied to new governance and management arrangements to deliver sustainable, step changes in school performance.
- **new sporting facilities** such as sports halls, fitness suites, artificial sports pitches and ball courts which encourage healthy lifestyles and are open for extended community use
- **adaptations to schools, foster home and the homes of parents and carers** to improve the life chances of pupils with disabilities

The Children's Services Capital Programme is underpinned by several key strategies including:

- The **Youth Services Capital Strategy** sets out the aspirations to develop new youth venues across Torbay using a "hub and spoke" model with the MyPlace project at Parkfield House at the centre.
- The **Primary Capital Programme Strategy for Change** sets out the Council's plans to modernise 16 primary schools in the worst condition and in areas of the worst deprivation between 2008 and 2022.

The Council is seeking early entry into the national **Building Schools for the Future (BSF)** programme and has developed plans to rebuild 5 of its 8 secondary schools.

The Council's priority schemes for the next period of investment that are fully funded include:
The MyPlace Youth Centre at Parkfield House, Paignton

- Completion of the Torquay Community College BSF Pathfinder project
- A wave 3 Children's Centre in Torquay
- A remodelling of Barton Primary School
- A remodelling of Curledge Street Primary School
- The development of a Sports Hub at Paignton Community and Sports College
- new 14-19 teaching accommodation at three secondary schools

The investment programme is funded from a variety of sources including:

- formula capital allocations from government
- receipts from disposals of surplus assets
- developer contributions (s106)
- targeted grants for school buildings
- external funding bids

14-19 Strategy

Torbay 14-19 Learning Partnership includes members from all key representatives of secondary schools, further education colleges, private training providers, employers, higher education providers, Connexions, the Local Authority and Learning and Skills Council. Members have strategic overview of 14-19 education and training provision in Torbay and have developed timelines and plans for reaching the Government's 14-19 education reform entitlements by 2013.

The Partnership offers a broad range of high quality educational provision that engages learners, including practical and applied learning opportunities in suitable, high quality (often industry standard) facilities:

- The Partnership currently offers 6 of the new 14-19 Diplomas to 167 Key Stage 4 learners from 5 secondary schools and 40 post-16 FE learners. The Diplomas are in Creative and Media, Business, administration and finance, Environment and Land Based Studies, Hospitality, IT, Society, health and development. 3 more Diplomas will be offered from 2010 and another 1 in 2011 so Torbay is well placed to be delivering all 14 vocational Diplomas by 2013.
- There are a range of other vocational courses offered within the Torbay Universal Curriculum. Currently over 700 year 10 and 11 learners attend a vocational course for at least 1 day per week in 12 different curriculum areas eg. construction, public services, childcare, hairdressing and motor vehicle studies. These courses are provided by 10 private training providers/FE college and have a good history of successes including improved pupil attendance, reduced numbers of pupils excluded from schools and average achievement rates of 82%. Recent developments have been to expand provision from the original entry level 3/level 1 courses to include more qualifications at level 2.
- From September 2009, Torbay has also offered the Young Apprenticeship programme to 14-16 year olds in Marine and Motor Vehicle Engineering. Next year this will expand to general Engineering and Sport and Leisure Young Apprenticeships. These courses will help prepare learners to move on to Apprenticeships at 16 and form part of the local drive to raise participation in Apprenticeship training, another strand of the 14-19 education reforms.
- The provision of these courses to 14-16 year olds requires considerable collaboration on delivery models to ensure young people from a range of different schools can access high quality facilities and teaching skills and the relevant Partnership groups, supported by the LA 14-19 team, enable this to occur. An example of this collaborative approach is the development of a Diploma bus scheme in conjunction with Stagecoach, whereby learners get a 1-day-a-week bus pass that allows them to travel to different places for their Diploma learning. This, together with aligned school/college timetables and a Diploma polo shirt, allows learners to access the course of their choice at the best place for specialist delivery, something that a single school would not be able to offer on its own. The bus pass scheme has now rolled out to over 90 learners and is growing.
- Recently schools within the Partnership have developed more courses to really engage some of the young people who are most challenged by the traditional school curriculum. These 'Universal plus' courses include a range of personal and social development units, functional English and Maths and some highly motivational courses offered by a range of less traditional education providers, together with a strong work related ethos.

Effective employer engagement:

All the provision under the 14-19 Strategy requires greater involvement from employers and we are well engaged with large and small employers in Torbay and South Devon. They form an important part of the delivery of Diplomas and Young Apprenticeships and contribute work experience placements and visits for learners and support staff in updating their skills to deliver these vocational qualifications. The local team of the newly formed National Apprenticeship Service is supporting our 14-19 work, and that of the local Connexions team, in sourcing more employer placements for potential Apprentices. The Torbay employers reward scheme has successfully engaged over 100 new placements since its inception in April 08, with 95 of these young people still employed as Apprentices, despite the recession.

High quality impartial Information, Advice and Guidance:

In order for young people to make the right choices of what to study between the ages of 14 and 19 they need high quality careers education and impartial IAG which comes from a range of sources: - schools/college careers/subject teachers, Connexions PAs, form tutors, parents/carers, on-line Area Prospectus. The 14-19 Partnership, working with groups such as the Torbay CEG/IAG group, has audited our provision of IAG against the recently published National Standards and has produced action plans for each institution and also across the Partnership to ensure young people and their parents/carers are getting a good, comprehensive and personalised service. Young people are offered taster days for the courses offered collaboratively as well as information given on paper, online and face-to-face at options events, lunchtime drop-in sessions and a local learning fair in order to inform their choices. Learner views about IAG have been canvassed and we will continue to gather their views, and those of their parents/carers, to continually improve the service.

Play Partnership

There are over 29,000 children and young people aged 0-19 years living in Torbay. The population can more than double during the six weeks of the school summer holidays with many families visiting Torbay. Children and young people playing freely and safely is an important part of a healthy vibrant community. As part of the review of the Torbay Play Strategy the Torbay Play Forum held an open evening to consider what had been achieved through the current Play Strategy 'Our time, our place, our choice' and what should be put in place in the future. It was recognised that a considerable amount had been achieved over the last three years and Torbay had a national reputation for its innovative contribution to children's play. Four key areas of development were identified.

There should be new facilities for children and young people including:

- More supervised, fully inclusive adventure play areas for children and young people
- More play facilities in schools
- More spaces for youth to meet indoors
- More play rangers in more parks
- More facilities on offer such as doorstep adventures, adventure play activities
- Two play vans to take equipment and rangers to the parks

There should be more facilities and opportunities for playworkers and people who work with children and young people including:

- A membership play organisation in Torbay
- Better training opportunities and Continuing Professional Development including inspirational network meetings where workers can take back to their groups skills learned
- Conferences – e.g. Wild and Away Too
- Greater professional status
- Organised trips to scrap stores

Some facilities and opportunities for children should be maintained:

- Adventure Play in the Bay – reaching out to the most disadvantaged
- Paignton College Holiday Sports Programme
- Bay Play Rangers
- Creative Play Journeys

The organisational structure for supporting play should be developed. There should be:

- A play association which is inclusive and has an open membership for all including playworkers from the voluntary and statutory sector, friends of the parks and the local authority. Council officers to be supernumerary

- A play association which is a charity, fund raises and is either a company limited by guarantee or a social enterprise so that it is self sustaining
- A play association which is ready to be commissioned to deliver services and work strategically and in partnership with the Council
- A play association which is a voice for young people.

Safer Communities (Kirsty M)

- **Family Intervention Project**
- **Domestic abuse**

Reduce Alcohol consumption

Drugs and alcohol can cause harm to our communities via crime committed to fund addiction as well as the nuisance and damage caused by those intoxicated. Use of illegal drugs and alcohol can also seriously affect an individual young person's life chances, negative health effects, increasing the likelihood of becoming a victim of crime or experiencing harm, presenting a barrier to educational achievement, discouraging the formation of positive relationships and reducing employment opportunities.

Operation stay safe tackling older people buying alcohol for under 18 year olds and dealing with young people found to be drinking in public places at weekends. Virtual under 18 substance misuse team with workers from different agencies to working with young people who have a problem with their drinking and setting up of a self referral scheme via the A&E. Use of external practitioners from A&E and the police within school as part of wider PSHE curriculum.

Torbay Public Protection Unit

The Torbay Safeguarding Children Board (TSCB) and Adult Safeguarding Board (ASB) recognised that information and intelligence sharing is vital for improving outcomes and reducing risk for vulnerable children and adults. To make sure Torbay is well placed to share information and intelligence for these vulnerable groups and meet the recommendations from the Laming Report, Outcomes UK report and Serious Case Review action plan both safeguarding boards have identified the need to develop and implement a multi agency public protection unit (PPU) in Torbay to provide two functions:

1. Community tasking – providing information and intelligence sharing at a macro level identifying the needs of the community.
2. Individual tasking – providing a dynamic multi agency response to high risk vulnerable children and adults.

It is proposed that these objectives will be met by a multi agency public protection team that will be co-located from April 2010.

The following areas, functions and process will be addressed during the project:

1. Torbay Council Safeguarding Team
2. Designated nurse and doctor
3. Torbay Police safeguarding staff
4. Devon and Cornwall Probation Offender Managers
5. Torbay Council performance and analytical capacity
6. Public Health performance and analytical capacity
7. Devon and Cornwall Police performance and analytical capacity

Processes

1. Single Point of Entry
2. Common Assessment Framework
3. 121a referral forms
4. Child in need referral
5. Section 47 decision / strategy meeting

The purpose of this project is to ensure steps are taken to ensure that public sector agencies involved in keeping children and adults safe, share information, assess risk and make decisions effectively together to keep people safe. It will support the Torbay Strategic Partnership to deliver Community Plan and Local Area Agreement targets and place Torbay in a strong position to achieve green flag status from the Audit Commission. The PPU will provide an opportunity for multi agency frontline operational staff to address the full range of issues putting vulnerable children, young people and adults at risk of harm.

This multi agency approach will enable employees to make informed decisions in a timely manor reducing the levels of risk to vulnerable people and reduce the likelihood of children and young people becoming subject of a child protection plan for a second or subsequent time. The joint approach to community tasking will reduce replication between partners, share expertise and specialist skills, and produce better quality outputs. Proposed start date: 7th January 2010. Co-location of multi agency individual tasking team: April 2010. Co-location of multi agency community tasking team: June 2010

Torbay Family Information Service

Torbay Family Information Service offers help, advice and support for families with children aged 0-20 offering information and signposting to the services available for families both in Torbay and nationally. The service has been developed to provide a more comprehensive and local service. With dedicated staff, the range of information the FIS offers has greatly expanded to include details such as local events, leisure activities and sports clubs. Information available through the family information service includes (but is not exhaustive to):

Health Services	Childcare (registered and non-registered)
Education Services	Children's Centres
Extended Services	Cluster Teams
Family and Parenting Support	Disability Services
Positive Activities and Youth Service	Fostering and Adoption
Leisure Activities	National helplines

The aim of Torbay FIS is to be a one stop shop, giving people access to accurate, timely and relevant information on the services available to them or signposting them to the services they need. There is a brand new, online Family Service directory where Children, Young People, Parents/Carers and Practitioners can search for local and national information which is relevant to them. The service directory is divided into four zones: children, young people, parents/carers and practitioners.

The young people's zone links straight through to My-Bay (www.my-bay.org.uk) the website run by Torbay Youth Service with information aimed at young people aged 13-19 in Torbay. Each of the other three zones lists relevant categories which then link to appropriate services, with keyword and postcode searches enabling people to find the information they are looking for quickly.

To make it as easy as possible for people to find the information they need, Torbay FIS offers information via:

- Freephone helpline 0800 328 5974
- New online family service directory www.torbay.gov.uk/fis
- National Parent Know How Directory/Direct gov
- Face to face at outreach events

Torbay Family Information Service is embarking on a programme of outreach and will be delivering drop in sessions at a variety of venues around Torbay to offer advice and information on the spot for families. The development plans also include providing information kiosks at venues such as children's centres and libraries so that parents can access information from the family service directory at convenient locations around Torbay. The new service directory was launched in early 2010 with a marketing campaign across Torbay to raise awareness of the service offered by the FIS and to raise the profile of the new branding.

Extended Services

By September 2010, all schools should be providing access to a core offer of extended services. The core offer includes: access to high quality child care, a varied menu of activities, parenting support, swift and easy access to services and community access. In September 2009 nationally 88% of schools were delivering the Full Core Offer of support recommended by central Government. By December 2009, 100% of Torbay schools delivered the Full Core Offer.

Over the past year the Extended Services and locality teams have worked hard with schools to help them achieve the Full Core Offer. This has included improving the Multi Agency Cluster arrangements, introducing Common Assessment Framework (CAF) mentors and an electronic CAF system, supporting the Targeted Youth Workers and a project involving School Nurses in Westlands School to help schools with the Swift & Easy Access element of the Core Offer.

With regard to the Family and Parent Support element of the Core Offer, Parenting Support Facilitators have been employed and work directly with the Schools to deliver drop-ins and Parenting Programmes to provide Parents with support and advice.

For the Childcare element, Extended Services funding has supported the Play Development Service in delivering support to schools for implementing breakfast clubs. The Play Service has also had an impact on the varied menu of activities element by encouraging more play on school sites by delivering lunch time play training and training staff to deliver creative play – imaginative and problem solving. Start-up grants have also been provided to assist schools in setting up Breakfast Clubs to extend their childcare provision.

Extended Services has set up a fund called the 'Turnaround Fund' which enables schools to fund short term programmes of support at pivotal times in a pupil/student's life. This enables schools, agencies or lead professionals to commission prompt access to appropriate support from a range of agencies. Support would be tailored to the individual on a time limited basis. Once the funding has been agreed with a school they are free to spend the funds accordingly to meet individual needs i.e. term time, holidays and so on. The objectives of the support would be to prevent a situation escalating, provide an alternative to exclusion and re-focus the pupil/student on resolving difficulties and reforming behaviour



Extended Services Disadvantage Subsidy Fund – 'My time'

As schools typically charge for extended services activities on a cost recovery basis, this subsidy fund will help schools provide a comprehensive range of exciting, high-quality extended services, and ensure that these are accessible to all children and young people, focusing on those disadvantaged by economic circumstances and children in care. Research shows that high quality out-of-hours activities can help improve well-being and raise standards of achievement. The subsidy is therefore part of the government's drive to narrow the gap in attainment and well-being between the most disadvantaged children and the rest of society.

Torbay supported six schools in Torquay with £94,000 in 2009-10. From April 2010, the fund will be increased by another £500,000 and access will be rolled out to all schools in Torbay. The Subsidy fund will give children and young people who are economically disadvantaged the opportunity to access and participate in activities based in and around Torbay that they may not have been able to access in the past. This funding continues to the end of August 2011 and all activities provided through this fund need to ensure they are sustainable after this date so they can continue to provide access to their activities for disadvantaged children and young people.

Through the delivery of this fund and various activities offered, Schools can ensure children and young people have access to sport-focused activities to ensure all children and young people have access to 3 hours of sport per week as well as the 2 hours they have during the school day.

MyPlace

Torbay Council submitted a successful bid to The BIG Lottery for the Myplace funding stream and was awarded £4.875 million pounds. The vision of the Parkfield Youth Hub is that it would be first and foremost where young people can go to socialise and take part in activities they want, but also where they can access support services.



The money is being used to develop a State of the Art, World Class, Olympic Youth Hub specialising in Adventurous Activities and Performing Arts on a prime beach front location. The project will provide sporting, arts, social and care services for young people in Torbay and the site is due to be open and fully operational by September 2011.

Parkfield House,

Ground Floor: office accommodation, training and counselling rooms for information, guidance and support for young people. First Floor: back packers and hostel accommodation. Second Floor: offices for youth related services, statutory, private and third sector provision

New Build

Indoor skate park leading on to external skate park, indoor climbing wall, multi sports area, arts performance space for music/ live bands, recording studio, storage area, training rooms, viewing gallery, cafe/restaurant, balcony, changing rooms.

Outside area

A split path for walkers to include a trim trail and cycle route. A dirt bike/bmx track. Ropes courses, continuation of Skate park, Storage for kite surfing, sailing and windsurfing equipment. The external grounds will have a regional standard BMX dirt track and recreational cycle tracks and the external experience will be linked internally to the new build so riders can continue their world class experience undercover.

The latest indoor performing arts studio will enhance the world class BMX- wheeled sports facilities by offering young people the chance to record and analyse their tricks/performance whether it be fun or competition. Young people will interactively be involved in improving their sports performance with the use of modern scientific technology. The multipurpose use of the studio and concert/ multi use area will allow young people to practise record and perform music dance and drama.

The water sports facilities will enhance what is available by complimenting the Olympic sailing facilities in Weymouth and the surfing provision on the Atlantic coast; offering facilities for all water sports but specialising in the minority water sports such as kite surfing and body boarding. The world class facilities that we would offer will enhance the natural topography available for sports such as Dartmoor and the local coast line.

Torbay Development Agency

The Torbay Development Agency is Torbay's Economic Development Company and is responsible for delivering, with partners, economic growth in Torbay and creating a more competitive economy enabling the whole community to benefit.

Torbay must continue to revamp its economy for the 21st century, it especially needs to adapt to: the growing risks arising from its comparative weakness in the regional economy; the risks to public sector funding of regeneration and economic development; and the changing legislative environment economic development is delivered through. The Torbay economy needs to diversify, innovate and adapt to the speed of change in existing and emerging sectors, it needs to ensure the supply of talented workers with the skills, knowledge and aspirations to support innovation and importantly requires investment to sustain the innovation and talent.

In recent years the TDA has been responsible for the creation of the Mayoral Vision for Torbay, development of two innovation centre facilities in Paignton & Torquay, the Brixham Regeneration programme and Phase 3 of the Torquay Waterfront programme.

Activities which will be delivered in 2010/11 include:

- Brixham Regeneration
- Oldway Redevelopment
- Castle Circus Regeneration Project (including Civic Hub)
- Establishment of Asset Backed Vehicle to deliver the Action Framework of the Mayoral Vision
- With the South West Regional Development Agency the TDA will commission additional support for pre start and new start businesses (including social businesses). This activity will be expressly aimed at the most disadvantaged wards in Torbay.
- Business Boost – a complementary programme of training events and workshops for small and medium sized business owners and managers. The sessions will concentrate on support to businesses in reducing their costs, improving their ability to identify and access new markets and make a difference to their bottom line.
- Development and Implementation of an Inward Investment Strategy for Torbay
- Development of business networks to encourage collaboration, joint marketing and stronger local supply chains
- Development and Implementation of the Worklessness strategy & action plan
- Development and Implementation of the revised Economic Regeneration Strategy
- Completion of the Paignton Library project

Transport Services

The Transport Team is responsible for providing a home to school transport service for pupils and students who live in Torbay, are aged between 4 and 19 and who are entitled to help to get to school or college. The team determines whether a pupil or student is entitled to assistance with transport to school and effectively plans and manages the provision of this transport in the most suitable and cost effective way. The Transport Policy describes the circumstances when parents can expect the council to provide transport. The Policy has several underlying aims:

- It ensures that children receive their basic, legal entitlement to transport
- It helps with parental choice for secondary school pupils
- It helps low income families to exercise parental choice
- It helps parents to send their children to denominational (church) schools
- It ensures that vulnerable children are able to access education
- It helps students aged between 16 and 19 continue in education at 6th form or FE college

Even so, only a small number of pupils in Torbay, around 1500 (7% of the school population aged 4 to 19) need help with transport. This is because in an urban area like Torbay, most pupils will live within walking distance of their school or college.

Over the past year the Transport service has been working to improve and streamline their application processes. From September 2009 Post 16 Transport applications can be downloaded or submitted on line and photos can be emailed in or taken at any of the Connections Offices. From September 2010 the aim is to roll this out for all types of transport requests.

The team has also been working in partnership with the 14-19 service to develop and implement transport solutions that meet the needs of the young people. A deal was brokered with Stagecoach to extend the purchasing arrangement to enable us to provide Diploma Bus Passes for learners to be able to access their Diploma studies.

Reducing the cost of public transport has been identified as a key priority by children and young people. The team has been working hard with the Youth Service and from May 2009 an R Nite Bus Pass was introduced to enable young people to travel to R Nite on a Saturday evening for a reduced fare. For December 2009 a Nite Rider Scheme has been introduced. This enables 16-19 year olds to travel anywhere in the bay for £1. It is hoped the scheme is a success and will be extended.

Framework of Transport Operators

To become more effective and efficient and deliver better quality transport for children and young people, a new way to procure transport has been implemented. The objective was to identify a group of suitably qualified Operators who are suitable to become part of a framework of Operators pre-qualified to deliver Transport from the "Home to School and College Transport network of routes" on behalf of the Authority.

The aim was to ensure Operators have the suitable skills and that the system is more fair and transparent. Call Offs are made from the Framework by offering opportunities via a mini competition to all Operators on the Framework via an electronic form of tendering system. From September 2009 all Home to School Transport Routes have been tendered via this new Framework.

The initial evaluation is that the system has been improved, competition has increased which has provided efficiencies, and we now have the systems in place to manage and improve the performance of the service. Following the success of this project the next steps are to introduce similar new procurement arrangements for Adult Care and Children's Social Care Transport networks.

Careers South West Ltd (Formerly Connexions Cornwall and Devon – Torbay Area)

Careers South West has been delivering the Connexions Service in Torbay since 1st April 2008. CSW is a not for profit, wholly owned local authority controlled company (LACC) contracted to deliver peninsular-wide (Cornwall and the Isles of Scilly, Devon, Plymouth and Torbay) information advice and guidance (IAG) services to young people aged 13-19 and up to 25 for those with learning difficulties and disabilities. The key aim of the contract is to engage young people in learning and work. The main measure for this contract is the percentage of young people who are not engaged in education employment and training (NEET). Services are delivered to young people in Torbay secondary schools, special schools, South Devon College and to the wider community via our work from the Connexions centre and through Integrated Youth Support Services.

During our first two years as a LACC we have:

- continued to put the needs and interests of our customers first - primarily young people, but also parents and employers
- received consistently positive feedback from our customers and acted upon suggestions for improvement
- undertaken considerable follow-up activity during autumn, to ascertain the learning and work status of Torbay's 16-18 year olds, resulting in statistical returns on NEET, not known, and in learning indicators under the Customer Caseload Information System (CCIS). (Reported to Department for Children, Schools and Families and Local Area Agreement process)
- been proactive in terms of seeking to place young people into available provision such as apprenticeships, entry to employment (e2e), and other programmes
- maintained Not Knowns at very low levels - below 1% of the cohort
- continued to successfully deliver on other contracts and projects, including:
 - Activity and Learning Agreements for eligible young people needing extra support
 - Torbay Employers Apprenticeship Reward Scheme, providing financial incentives to employers taking on an apprentice for the first time
 - Our nextstep adult IAG services
- continued to supply:
 - information and web-based products for customers
 - training services for partners in line with wider workforce development agendas
 - consultancy for schools and others working on Investor in Careers and IAG awards
 - management information from CCIS to assist partnership work.

Achievements to date

- Maintained level of NEETs 16-18 at a very low level, below national and regional averages
- Reached the national finals of the UK Excellence Awards
- The Company has been assessed for the Customer Service Award (formerly Chartermark)
- Shortly the Company will be re-assessed under the Investor In People framework

The peninsula IAG contract will move into a third year from April 2010. Careers South West will work with the Local Authority, Local Safeguarding Children Board, schools/colleges and others to provide strong and effective services in the bay. The economic recession means the key purpose of Connexions Services to engage young people in learning and work continues to be of paramount importance.

Recession impact on the youth labour market

- Torbay's 16-18 year old NEETs (not in education, employment or training) increased marginally from a 4.6% average November 2007 - January 2008 to a 4.8% average November 2008 - January 2009. This is ahead of our 5% target
- The proportion of 16-18 year olds in some form of learning increased in Torbay from 83.9% in January 2008 to 85.4% in January 2009, an increase of 1.5%
- The number of young people in Torbay, leaving year 11 to enter the labour market was 7.3% in 2008, compared to 9.7% of the cohort in 2007

Healthier children do better in learning and in life. By enabling children and young people to make positive changes to their behaviour regarding health and well being, we will be helping them reach their full potential in terms of achievement and fulfilment, as well as encouraging good habits which will benefit them both now and in the future.

The vision of the 21st Century School has at its heart the need to address all elements of the lives of children and young people, with a particular focus on health and well being. To ensure that schools are doing this in the most effective way, OFSTED with the Department of Children, Schools and Families (DCSF) have developed indicators that reflect the school's contribution to the well being of its pupils. These indicators will feature in the development of the School Report Card.

Key to the delivery of this agenda across Children's Services, is the Torbay Healthy Schools Programme, which has been in existence for over ten years and has at its heart the health and happiness of children and young people. All Torbay schools are now engaged with the programme.

Torbay Healthy Schools Programme incorporates a range of strategies and initiatives including:

- The delivery of "outstanding" Personal, Social and Health Education (PSHE). This subject is due to become statutory in September 2011 and includes SRE (Sex & Relationships Education) Preparations for this are well under way and include the launch of cohort 7 of the National PSHE CPD Programme, lesson observations in all of our secondary schools and some primaries, the dissemination of appropriate, free resources with training and a publicised menu of support. In addition a Leading PSHE Teacher Network is in the early stages of development, made up of those who have completed the PSHE CPD Programme and designed both to develop their skills as well as allowing us to build capacity. It is hoped that this group's first role will be to deliver domestic violence training across Children's Services.
- Thirteen Torbay schools (30% - meeting national targets) are now actively engaged with Healthy Schools Plus. This outcomes based accountability model, aimed at the 50% most deprived schools, has been the vanguard for national developments and has attracted substantial PCT funding. All schools participating in this have teenage pregnancy as one of their priorities, as well as two others which they choose themselves according to student need and informed by local data. Healthy Schools Plus and the recently launched Enhanced Model (for the remaining 50% and schools outside the South West) has been designed to help schools develop their wider thinking and planning needed to achieve better outcomes around health and well being for children and young people.
- In partnership with the School Nursing Team and in line with the national "Healthy Child Programme" a core offer for all schools is currently under development which will bring together many of the services we offer to schools in a more equitable and measurable way. These services will include secondary school, health drop ins, key to making health services more accessible to young people and thus reducing rates of teenage conception.
- Finally and perhaps most importantly student voice initiatives are being sustained and developed. These include the already mentioned "Are You Getting It Right?" toolkit implementation, the launch of termly, Student Focus Groups in the secondary sector and relaunch of "Young View" in primary in partnership with an Advanced Skills Teacher.

Torbay Healthy School's agenda is making significant progress in developing and sustaining collective responsibility, across Children's Services, for Torbay's children and young people.

The Child Poverty Strategy for Torbay (EXAMPLE TEXT – TO BE ADDED)!!!

Include Narrowing the Gap

- Poverty can make barriers that stop children and young people doing well at schools etc
- Need to raise aspirations and show them that anyone can get out of poverty, everyone can achieve their aims and access higher education.
- Need to reduce the amount of homeless young people
- Children and young people want to be:
- Encouraged to go into college, training or employment – children and young people highlighted that their future is important and that to raise the aspirations of children and young people we should inform them earlier about the possibilities in life. 'EMA is a good idea' 'Speakers should come to school to talk about our possibilities'.

Findings from TellUs4 found that:

- % of children and young people think their local area is a good place to live in
- % of respondents hoped to go to university when they left school compared to a national average of %
- Things most likely to make Torbay a better place to live included cleaner and less litter (%), better activities for children and young people (%) and safer area or less crime (%)

CYPP should show how support will be integrated for parents, including employment advice, skills & training & financial advice & support with CYP services to tackle child poverty by improving conditions for family life & narrowing gap in outcomes between children in low income families & peers. It should set out how CT will identify families in need of greater support & ensure they access high quality services – including housing, leisure and public libraries.

Children and young people should be enabled to overcome the impact of poverty through effective partnership working which both addresses immediate needs and contributes to the wider economic regeneration

We will have achieved this when:

- Child poverty is eradicated
- High quality childcare is provided to all those families who are eligible
- All families live in affordable quality housing where they are safe and secure
- Unemployed parents are supported to find work and increase their income
- Eligible people in low income households take up available benefits and tax credits

Children and young people should be enabled to achieve levels 2 and 3 attainment, employment and/or training which helps them to become successful

We will have achieved this when:

- Young people are well prepared for work and able to achieve their potential
- Young people have access to and are supported to participate in post-16 learning
- All 14-19 year olds have a good understanding of employment opportunities through additional work related learning and enterprise activities
- Skill levels meet learners and local employers needs
- Effective and comprehensive careers education, information and guidance programme is available enabling young people to change pathway if appropriate
- Local employers are supported in providing work based learning opportunities for young people
- Young people are supported to volunteer and/or develop enterprising behaviour
- Vulnerable YP including looked after children, care leavers and young mothers are identified and provided with support to participate and progress with training and learning

Development of Torbay Children's Trust

The Children and Young People's Plan for 2010 – 2013 is a document which has been written on behalf of Torbay's Children's Trust and sets out the vision and planned development for commissioning and service improvements for children and young people and their families and carers for the next three years.

Torbay's Children's Trust arrangements have been restructured and are accountable to the Torbay Strategic Partnership whilst having regard for the statutory duties placed on it through the Children's Act 2004. The Partnerships reflects the Learning and Skills for the Future quadrant of Torbay's Community Plan 'wheel' and provides Torbay-wide leadership and direction for delivering the high level outcomes of the Community Plan, other requirements of central and regional government and understanding and responding to the needs of the people of Torbay. The Board is responsible for overseeing the creation and implementation of a Joint Commissioning Strategy which integrates all public sector plans which, individually, will have been agreed via each participating agency's governing body.

The Children's Trust Guiding Principles (Commissioning Board and Delivery Board)

The aim of the Children's Trust partners is:

To work together to increase the joint working undertaken to improve the well being of children and young people in Torbay and to better deliver the Every Child Matters Agenda.

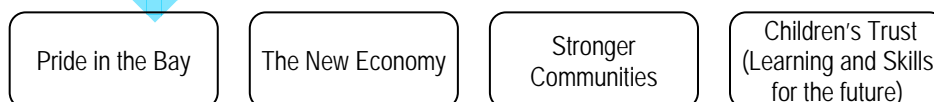
The vision and priorities of the Children's Strategic Commissioning Partnership and Delivery Board will reflect Torbay's Community Plan.

The Commissioning Board and Delivery Board will exercise functions in such a way as to:

- (a) enable partners to align budgets and other resources to secure the delivery of quality services which provide optimum value for money using a customer focussed, outcomes based commissioning approach, making use of the functionality of the Children's Act 2004 regarding these arrangements; and
- (b) involve partners as fully as possible, subject to recognising that not all partners are in a position to carry full contractual or statutory obligations and ensuing risks (financial or otherwise). This should not detract from their contribution but does recognise the statutory duties of other partners and the specific liabilities and financial responsibilities which remain with public sector partners (such as Torbay Council, NHS Trusts, and Police Authorities etc).

Torbay's Strategic Commissioning Partnerships

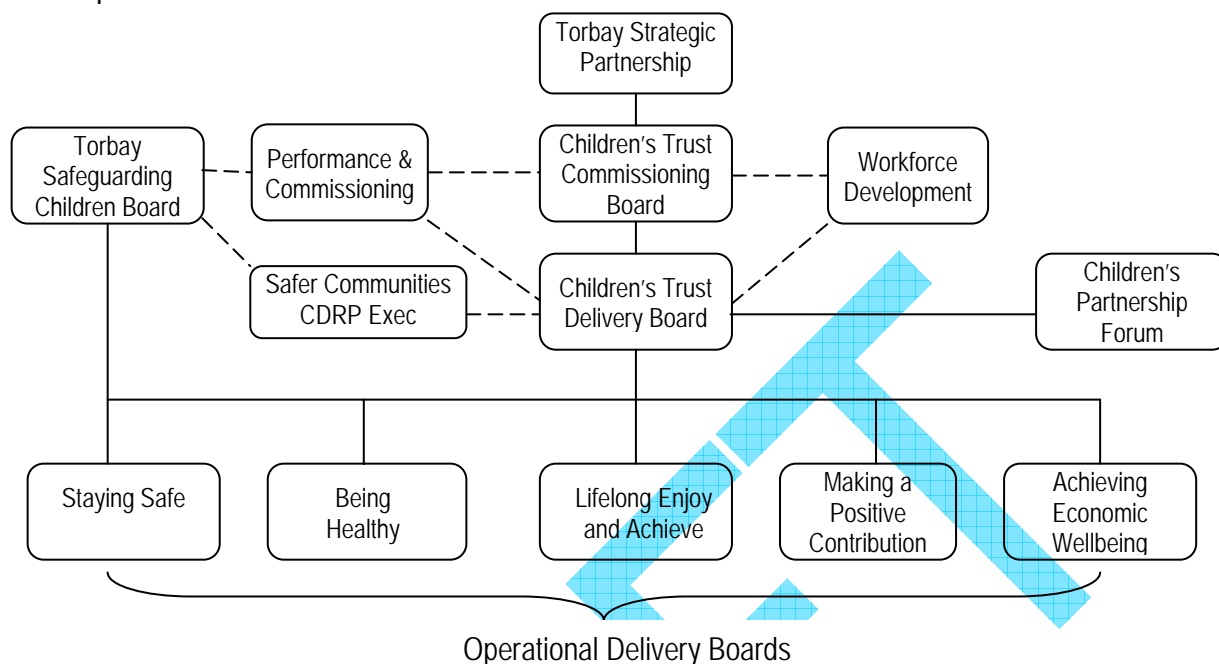
The primary function of each Strategic Commissioning Partnership is to produce and implement Joint Commissioning Strategies merging each partner's strategic intentions into one overall statement of strategic intent. Strategic Commissioning Partnerships are also responsible for translating strategy into operational Delivery Plans (through operational delivery boards). The Partnerships are also responsible for user/customer and supplier engagement in commissioning activity, and managing performance (including that of the Local Area Agreement) and reporting to the Torbay Strategic Partnership. The four established partnerships are:



Torbay Children's Trust Arrangements

Torbay's Children's Trust arrangements bring together the organisations and agencies providing services for children, young people and parents and carers. These arrangements encompass Torbay Strategic Partnership's key theme of "Learning and Skills for the Future". The Children's Trust is one of four strategic commissioning partnerships in Torbay which are working to deliver against all of the key themes of Torbay's Community Plan: Pride in the Bay, Health and Wellbeing and the New Economy are the other key themes which address many issues which impact on the lives of Torbay's children and young people.

The organisational chart below shows Torbay's Children's Trust Arrangements. Constant lines shows direct accountability and hierarchy whilst dotted lines show indirect and multiple reporting relationships.



The Children's Trust Commissioning Board is the strategic executive which oversees the children's trust arrangements in Torbay. The Children's Trust Delivery Board reports to this board and forms the statutory Trust Board where all statutory and relevant partners are represented. There are five operational delivery boards which cover: the five Every Child Matters Outcomes; Lifelong Learning; Workforce Development (delivering the Workforce Strategy); and a Performance and Commissioning Board responsible for production of the Children and Young People's Plan and Joint Commissioning Strategy.

The Torbay Safeguarding Children Board receives reports from the Staying Safe Operational Delivery Board. The TSCB reports to the Children's Trust Commissioning Board twice a year about the effectiveness of multi-agency safeguarding arrangements. It also reports on an ad hoc basis on matters pertaining to any Serious Case Reviews or any other significant safeguarding issues.

The Staying Safe Operational Delivery Board incorporates those areas of joint working with the Crime and Disorder Reduction Partnership, especially in the areas of domestic violence, anti-social behaviour and youth justice.

The Children's Partnership Forum has been established to provide a dedicated challenge role to the Children's Trust arrangements and membership includes elected members who are children's champions for each Every Child Matters outcome area, non-executive directors of partner agencies, Torbay Governors' agency and young people who also sit on Torbay Youth Cabinet. A young person is also being trained to be a young inspector and young commissioner and this person will also be a member of the Children's Partnership Forum.

The Children's Trust Commissioning Board and Delivery Board make up the **statutory Children's Trust arrangements** for Torbay under the regulations of the Children's Act 2004. The partnership will:

- Bring together services for Children, Young People & Families.
- Develop a child-centred, outcome-led vision for Children and Young People informed by their views and those of their families (through the Children and Young People's Plan).
- Develop inter-agency governance & robust arrangements for inter-agency co-operation.

- Develop an effective integrated strategy where joint planning & commissioning, and pooled and/or aligned budgets are implemented.
- Integrate processes to maximise effective joint working, sustained by a shared language and shared processes.
- Integrate front-line delivery – around the child or family rather than professional boundaries/agencies.

Role of Children’s Trust Commissioning Board

The Children’s Trust Commissioning Board will develop and monitor the performance of a Joint Commissioning Strategy, relevant Local Area Agreements, the Children and Young People’s Plan and lifelong learning. They will provide advocacy and challenge to secure improved outcomes in relation to their portfolio. They report performance to Torbay Strategic Partnership and are accountable to it.

Children’s Trust Commissioning Board Terms of Reference

- To agree, publish and implement a Joint Commissioning Strategy stating the overall direction of future commissioning and aligned spending plans, based on the needs of the people of Torbay, Community Plan priorities, LAA, and reflecting the purpose and commitments of all relevant commissioning agencies and board members.
- Resource identification and prioritisation and resource alignment processes will be developed to inform the Joint Commissioning Strategy. It will specify all required outcomes, performance indicators and targets of all participating partners reflecting the Community Plan and other requirements, and a summary of resource investments (using aligned or pooled budget arrangements). The Board will agree plans to deliver the Joint Commissioning Strategy.
- To be responsible for development of the Workforce Development Strategy for Children’s Services (through the workforce development operational delivery group).
- To review and develop the Participation Strategy (
- To agree, publish & implement the Supplier Engagement Strategy.
- To develop a multi-agency performance management framework, the Boards will monitor and report performance of all above to Torbay Strategic Partnership.
- To commission a Needs Assessment for children, young people and families (using the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment and consultation with partners and stakeholders).
- Regular reports will be provided to Torbay Strategic Partnership and updates given at each meeting (from TSP).
- The Children’s Trust Commissioning Board has **statutory** responsibility for development of Torbay’s Children and Young People’s Plan.
- Within 12 months of establishing the Board, it will review all other existing partnerships (as at 2009/10) and agree their future remit and Terms of Reference.

Children’s Trust Delivery Board Terms of Reference

- Day to Day development of Torbay’s Children and Young People’s Plan and operational development of joint commissioning priorities established by the Children’s Trust Commissioning Board. The Operational Delivery Plan will stem from the Children and Young People’s Plan (CYPP) and reflect outcomes that relevant partners agree to achieve for children and their families
- The Delivery Board will be responsible for the detailed undertaking of a needs assessment to inform priorities for children and families in Torbay and a quality assurance of existing services and supports.

- The Delivery Board will be responsible for the development and delivery of multi-agency performance monitoring reports for the Children's Trust Commissioning Board (reported quarterly to CTCB and CTDB).
- Development and delivery of a participation strategy for children, young people and families.
- Consider national policies and evidence of best practice and make recommendations to the Children's Trust Commissioning Board.
- Develop an integrated Children's Services Workforce Strategy.
- Implement decisions and priorities of the Commissioning Board.
- Ensure the effective communication of the Children's Trust Commissioning Board and Children's Trust Delivery Board recommendations and work within host agencies.
- Alerting organisations to risks to achieving outcomes/ plans and drawing organisations to account.
- To lead the 9 operational delivery groups (5 ECM outcome areas, workforce development, performance and information, Lifelong Learning and CYPP).

Children's Partnership Forum Terms of Reference

Children's Champions, non-executive directors of PCT Board, SDHCFT Board, voluntary sector, Police and any other organisations deemed necessary will meet to provide a formal challenge to the Children's Trust Delivery Board. Specifically, this role includes:

- To review and scrutinise the decisions made by and performance of the Children's Trust Delivery Board;
- To question members of the Boards individually and collectively about their decisions and performance, with reference to the children and young people's plan priorities and in relation to particular decisions;
- To alert organisations to risks to achieving outcomes/ plans and drawing organisations to account.
- To make recommendations to the Children's Trust Delivery Board arising from the challenge process;
- To conduct research, community and other consultation in the analysis of policy issues and possible options;
- To request from the Children's Trust Delivery Board for research to be carried out to support decision-making and consultation.
- To receive reports and requests for the Forum to carry out analyses of decision-making from stakeholders;
- To consider research and evidence of best practice from elsewhere;
- To produce a report for the Children's Trust Commissioning Board providing judgement on decision-making processes undertaken and suggestions for amended working methods if appropriate. This will normally be annually or in exceptional circumstances requiring their strategic direction and will make recommendations for future work programmes.

Role of each Operational Delivery Board

The Children's Trust Delivery Board is responsible for organising such sub-groups, and other groups necessary to carry out its responsibilities, as it feels fit. This discretion is to ensure maximum flexibility depending on the issues and complexities affecting each Partnership. The nine operational delivery groups ensure the production of:

- a detailed analysis of local needs and how these may change over time;
- detailed supplier and user/customer engagement plans;
- an analysis of current services, their quality, volumes, relevance and costs;
- a gap analysis revealing the strengths and limitations of services and their costs, changes needed indicating what types of services need to be commissioned – and not commissioned – in the future;
- a smart action plan including what services need to be procured, at what cost, to deliver the outcomes articulated in the Joint Commissioning Strategy; and

- performance monitoring, contract management and reporting, ensuring the appropriate range of suppliers are procured to ensure the outcomes and targets set by the joint commissioning strategy are achieved.

Five Operational delivery Boards have been developed, one for each Every Child Matters Outcome Area (Be Healthy, Stay Safe, Lifelong Enjoy and Achieve, Making a Positive Contribution, Achieving Economic Wellbeing). Each Board will be responsible for monitoring improved performance towards the CYPP priorities and local priorities developed in future and for providing information to support improvements. These Boards also provide a conduit for the other partnerships which are mainly working towards their specific ECM area, and for ensuring that information about priorities, achievements, issues and financial arrangements for each are reported back through the children's trust arrangements, so that the Children's Trust boards are able to make evidence-informed decisions.

Performance Management and Commissioning

The Performance and Commissioning Group:

- Develops and agrees a framework and structure around the commissioning of services including the process for review, identification of need and coordination of new developments.
- Ensures seamless commissioning through partnership working across all agencies including independent and voluntary sector agencies and service users.
- Provides the overarching link across key stakeholder organisations, including health, council, police, third sector etc particularly around new service development.
- Ensures that any proposals made offer best value for money and are sustainable within the current market.
- Approves and/or recommends any new funding requests to be submitted for funding allocation to any Organisation.
- Ensures that all commissioning proposals are needs based and have a clear rationale for improving outcomes for children and young people.
- Agrees and monitors metrics, evaluation and progress mechanisms by scheme.
- Agrees delivery standards and targets for improvement / change where appropriate to include safeguarding, governance, review, involvement and engagement.

Commissioning cycle and links to world class commissioning etc

Commissioning Standards are being developed to ensure all those providing services to children, young people and their families work together to:

1. Protect and safeguard children and young people by taking joint responsibility for their welfare.
2. Raise the aspirations and life chances of children and young people.
3. Provide services in a way that is equitable and fair.
4. Provide access to appropriate training to enable delivery of excellent integrated services.
5. Conduct rigorous monitoring, evaluation and review against agreed outcomes.
6. Provide seamless services tailored for individual need at times and places convenient to the client ensuring swift and easy access and continuity of service.
7. Target vulnerable and hard to reach groups to ensure no child will be disadvantaged because of family situation/circumstances.
8. Configure services around the child, young person and family, by working collaboratively and using integrated tools and processes.
9. Ensure that children, young people and families are involved in any plans for them and also in future service design.
10. Provide services that are ethical, transparent, evidence informed and accountable.
11. Comply with statutory regulations and guidance.

How we developed our Torbay Priorities for children and families

We started by putting together a “Needs Assessment”

The needs assessments is a collection of information about children and families which tells us what help is needed to improve the lives of children and families in Torbay. Our needs assessment was developed from a Joint Strategic Needs Assessment which is a collection of data from partners across Torbay including the Council, Care Trust, Police, etc. This data was analysed on regional, community, neighbourhood and service levels and included information from research papers, major surveys such as epidemiological surveys, participation data and aggregated and anonymised data from 1:1 interviews, focus groups and individual assessments. We added data from National Indicators, Local Area Agreement indicators, the Schools’ Survey of young people called “TellUs”, the Torbay residents survey “The Place Survey” and other local information held by the local authority and partners. This gave us a huge range of information from which we developed an overall summary of demographics, key messages about areas of need and clear reasons for prioritizing certain areas.

This information was used to develop priorities across the five Every Child Matters Outcome Areas (Be Healthy, Stay Safe, Enjoy and Achieve, Making a Positive Contribution and Achieving Economic Wellbeing) to show which outcomes most need to be improved and where to prioritise.

Consultation and engagement

When we had developed our set of information about needs in Torbay (the needs assessment), we consulted widely with many different partners, professionals, parents, young people and the wider community.

We ran several events by ECM area using Outcome Based Accountability to develop priorities from our data. This method very simply asks what help is needed in an area and gets many different partners who provide services for children and families together to ask how they can work together to help.

Events to define CYPP priorities using Population Accountability methodology

OBA methodology used to develop priorities in events specifically focussed on Every Child matters Outcome areas. Needs assessment developed from JSNA, Place Survey, TellUs Survey, National Indicators and local indicators used as evidence base for use in developing priorities.

Events to define CYPP priorities and activities using Performance Account ability methodology

Performance accountability training for staff to use to develop priorities for CYPP and also develop performance monitoring at service level as routine process. Performance accountability ‘Turning the Curve’ exercises to develop priorities and service-specific activities.

These events enabled us to develop some sound priorities which needed to be improved in Torbay.

We then consulted with the wider community in Torbay:

Consultations with CYP, parents and community groups

Consultations were carried out at national Sure Start Week, various parent forums, at children’s centres, at community partnerships, community groups, local democracy week, in schools and at South Devon College. Members of the public were asked to choose their highest priority areas for children and families in Torbay and also to provide additional comments on specific needs in their local areas and gave ideas to support their ideas. (Details of consultations held are contained in Appendix 2).

The top 10 areas identified by most people as high priorities were: (Full list is shown in Appendix 2)

- Anti-social Behaviour
- Teenage Conceptions
- Employment opportunities
- Primary School Education
- Play and Recreation Facilities
- Early Years (nursery) Education
- Bullying
- Alcohol Misuse
- Identification of young people at risk
- Children with disabilities



Collated comments from those people who gave their views at public consultations and wanted to say more

Comments written down by members of the public covered 16 areas (see Appendix 2), but the main areas which repeatedly came up were around:

- Early Intervention and education (identifying problems and educating correct behaviours at an early age to minimise risk taking behaviours)
- Employment (not enough jobs or apprenticeships for young people)
- Family Education (training people to be good parents)
- Play Areas (many requests for parks to be developed in line with neighbours such as Teignmouth and Totnes (Decoy Park))
- Positive Activities: more for young people to do (several requests for more for 5-11 year olds)

We also considered the views of young people from School Surveys and the Our Bay Our Say event held at South Devon College

Your Bay Your Say – October 2009

This event took place during local democracy week in October 2009 and allowed young people to question local leaders about the priorities for young people in Torbay.

During the debate there were some fantastic opinions and arguments raised, here are some notes on what was said to remind you all! Remember it doesn't stop here, your voices were heard at your bay your say and this newsletter is being sent out to all the decision makers who attended the day and more, you have already heard about the fantastic new discount on the bus service, so why stop voicing your opinions now? Join the Torbay Youth Cabinet or run to be the next Member of Youth Parliament for Torbay and you can get your opinions heard and make change happen everyday!

Transport

- Council have met and are in discussion with stagecoach about this issue.
- The already discounted buss-pass scheme on a Saturday night with R'Nite hasn't had a big take up- young people said this is because not all young people attend R'Nite!!
- Concessionary Fares for over 65s- cost the council over 2-million pounds - some over 65's said they would give their bus passes to young people, or at least agree to pay a contribution towards bus fare so that young people can travel cheaper.
- Wanted cheaper fares for 12-18 year olds - Young people aged 16-18 should not be classed as adults and the child fares are too expensive! It is far cheaper to get the train!
- Future action - to continue to pressure stagecoach... Asked for a meeting with stagecoach, Cllr Lewis to arrange meeting between Councillors, Members of Youth Parliament and Stagecoach

Notes from the day

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Sex & relationships education

- Currently not compulsory- soon it will be- it will also be OFSTED inspected - Which means it will all be delivered to the highest standard.
- Needs to be taught earlier to raise awareness, focusing on relationships more than sex for younger people.
- Argument- Many young people said to make contraception accessed through schools because young people are going to have sex and it needs to be safe others said that there needs to be less contraception available as this may be publicising sex which may lead to teenage pregnancies.
- Torbay is the 8th highest in country for teenage pregnancies the councils plan to tackle this is to raise aspirations and self esteem of young people, really good SRE for everyone & targeted work to those known to be having sex as well as providing more info to parents so they can play their part in SRE well.
- SRE should continue after year 9.
- Look at schools which have a low number of teenage pregnancies- why is this? Is it to do with

Bullying

- What happens to bullies? - Many young people said that consequences for bullies are not harsh enough and sometimes nothing even happens - this means that victims of bullying won't tell anyone what is happening. Why are bullies protected, some victims said they had to leave school to get away from it.
- Bullying happens in school but also on streets at home where are the local police? - Some young people said they never saw their local police or PCSO's.
- Some adults said that bullying is more acknowledged today than it used to be
- One young person suggested looking for support networks i.e friends and said that everyone should do something to stop bullying, if they see it happening they should stop it or tell someone about it.
- lots of young people felt that nothing was being done by schools/council to tackle bullying.

- decision makers pointed out that there is an anti-bullying strategy and every school has an antibullying policy/strategy and all schools should use this.
- Need lessons focussing on bullying during anti-bullying week, and also throughout the rest of the year.
- Westland's have a respect policy, and have a student support zone students said they're working well.
- Should be peer support in all schools/ mentor schemes around bullying

Drugs and Alcohol

- many young people argued that the drinking age should be lowered to 16, one argument was... "In Italy the drinking age is 16, their culture of drinking is different to the British, if we adapted their culture of drinking with family in bars etc it would make it less attractive to binge drink".
- A young person said that young people may drink and take drugs because of problems at home.
- Some young people pointed out that over the 18s don't set a good example and maybe when they stop binge drinking young people might as well!
- Decision makers spoke of different strategies to try to stop binge drinking such as a ban on all drinking promotions and a higher cost for alcohol.
- Educate everyone in schools or in the home about the effects
- Young people suggested the amount of young people drinking is linked to transport costs as people can not afford to go to activities.

Quotes from young people who have been elected as Youth Cabinet members:

"Being elected as MYP has probably been the most colourful and enriching experience of my life. From the weekly meetings, to the regional residential, to the House of Lords; the opportunities being given to me directly through Youth Parliament have been amazing to say the least!" – *Ahmed El Houdiri Current Deputy Member of Youth Parliament 2009.*

"The role of Member of Youth Parliament can be life changing for so many positive reasons as you never know what will happen next. One day I will be meeting Councillors to discuss issues of concern for young people locally, the next day I am part of a conversation in which we are discussing a decision for a £5 million youth centre in Torbay, not to mention the trips to the House of Lords etc". – *William Bowles, Member of Youth Parliament 2008.*

"it was a very good event, I felt I could get my point across, I just hope some points I gave will get made a reality" – *Alex wright*

"I thought that it was fun, a good opportunity to get our voices heard and a good opportunity to gain presentation skills" – *Michelle Adams*

ADD TELLUS4!!!

TellUs3 survey of the views of young people in Torbay

TellUs is an annual national survey of children and young people in Years 6, 8 and 10, which asked for their views about their local area, and including questions covering the five Every Child Matters outcomes. TellUs3 was carried out in spring 2008 in 11 Torbay primary schools (309 Year 6 pupils participated) 4 secondary schools (436 students participated) and the PRU (24 students participated).

The summary results suggest that the main issues for young people in Torbay relate to:

- Safety concerns in particular bullying and how well schools deal with bullying
- The information and advice available on healthy eating, alcohol, smoking and drugs
- Things to do
- Getting their views listened to

In the following areas the local responses were significantly better than the national average.

The number of young people who:

- thought that they were not very healthy
- have no portions of fruit and vegetables a day
- undertook at least 30 minutes doing sports or other active things 1-2 and 6-7 days in the last 7 days

- who have only smoked a cigarette once or twice
- in the last 4 weeks have never taken solvents
- have been to a swimming pool (not in school lessons) in the last 4 weeks
- thought having more say in how things are run at school would do the most to make their life better

In the following areas the local responses were significantly worse than the national average.

- young people's feeling of safety in school
- the number of young people who say that they have never been bullied
- the number of young people who said that they had been bullied once or more in the last 4 weeks
- how well schools deal with bullying
- young people's participation in group activity lead by an adult outside school
- fewer young people have been to the local park or playground, art, craft, dance group or class and library/museum
- fewer have given their views to a school council
- fewer have given time to help a local charity/voluntary group, a neighbour or someone else
- fewer hope to study to go to university
- more young people think better parks/play areas, safer area or less crime and better activities would make their area a better place in which to live

Collectively, these results suggest that we need to focus on:

- Providing young people with positive and fulfilling things to do
- Redoubling our efforts to make young people feel safe

We have ensured these views have been included in evidence to determine our priorities for 2010 - 13

At these consultation events and through the national TellUs surveys children and young people in Torbay have told us they want:

- Improved freely available activities within their local neighbourhood
 - Reduced cost of transport
 - An increase in the range of information available and the ways in which it can be accessed
 - A commitment to young people's involvement in shaping services – providing feedback from consultations and demonstrating what impact their ideas have had
- An improved feeling of safety – allowing them to feel safe when they go out
- Confidential access to services when and where they want them
 - Places to meet up with friends
 - Activities in the evenings and at weekends
 - Promotion of a positive view of the youth of Torbay



Priority Setting

We combined the results of the public surveys and consultations with professional views to come up with a list of priorities which would enable us to evidence progress is being made across ECM Outcomes including strategic action to:

- secure wellbeing and health of children and young people;
- safeguard young and vulnerable;

- close the gap in educational achievement for disadvantaged children;
- ensure YP are participating and achieving their potential to 18 and beyond;
- keep children and young people on the path to success; and
- deliver system-wide reforms to the way services for children & YP work together.

Priorities for 2010-2013

Results from events using outcome based accountability and many ideas for improvement that were put forward by professionals were combined with ideas collected from public consultations to produce the following set of draft priorities for the Children and Young People's Plan:

- Reduce the number of teenagers becoming pregnant
- Reduce the use of alcohol and substance misuse
- Ensure all children and young people are protected from abuse and neglect and feel safe and supported in their families and communities
- Raising attainment at all stages of education
- Improve attendance and behaviour at education settings
- Reduce the number of children and young people living in poverty

Workforce Strategy

Local workforce strategy should underpin CYPP, be owned by & cover CT partners, set out priorities & show how partners & stakeholders will ensure workforce is equipped with knowledge, skills & commitment to work effectively in more integrated services and settings.

Links to other strategies (safer communities domestic violence, parenting strategy,

CYPP must be aligned with partners' planning cycles. CYPP is the children's chapter of Torbay's Community Plan. Youth Crime Action Plan emphasises need for increasing integration of Youth Offending Teams & children's services. CYPP should ensure needs of YP who have offended or are at risk of offending are properly incorporated in planning framework. CYPP should be aligned with Youth Offending Team Plan, Local Policing Plans & priorities of local Crime & Disorder Reduction Partnership. Need to link CYPP with planning documents across activity affecting CYP, including LA asset management plans & business cases for large-scale procurements such as Building Schools for the Future. Operational plans should tie in with development and use of Common Assessment Framework & Targeted Youth Support and include explicit links to the CYPP as the higher level, strategic, overarching plan.



Statement of Resources (NEEDS TO BE RE-WRITTEN)

CYPP should include statement of resources to show how resources will contribute to improving outcomes and how budgets of partners, including 3rd sector will be used to contribute to delivery of plan. CYPP should set out progress with pooling & aligning of budgets & how partners intend to integrate use of assets, resources & new technologies in support of delivery. Will include identifying opportunities for shared use of property to deliver cross-sector, cross-agency, co-located community based & outreach services to users. It is important that where LA & PCT have agreed to joint action without a pooled budget both clearly state level of resources they will commit & how they have aligned budgets or apportioned funding. Financial info should be available to elected members & local partners when endorsing CYPP.

A key focus of this plan is the delivery of resources through integrated partnership working and combination of redirection of resources towards frontline working and preventative services. In 2008/09 Torbay Children's Services was supported by £m net budget together with £ m grant funding towards schools budget. £ of grants were received

Resourcing our priorities and aims

There is an expectation that the Children's Trust will maximise opportunities for the alignment and pooling of resources and budgets.

A number of options for flexible resourcing and for pooling budgets to facilitate effective planning and delivering of services are available to Partners. Section 10 of the Children Act 2004 gives a power for the local authority and its statutory 'relevant partners' to pool budgets and share other resources both between themselves and with statutory partners in other Children's Trusts. Section 75 of the NHS Act 2006 allows the local authority and health bodies to pool budgets, share resources and delegate functions to each other.

The resources to deliver the priorities of this Plan are derived from the following sources:

1. Specific earmarked government grants including Standards Funds for schools and other grants targeted at particular priorities
2. Dedicated Schools Grant (DSG) managed through the Schools Forum
3. Funding to Children’s Services as part of the Council’s overall budget
4. Area Based Grant (ABG)
5. Funding for services provided by partners

Throughout the life of this plan the financial position will be extremely challenging for all partners which means that we need to use our resources very carefully to ensure good value for money. The Council’s budget strategy requires all areas to continue to make 3% year on year efficiency savings

In 2009 – 10 the approximate expenditure for services for children and young people in Torbay is:

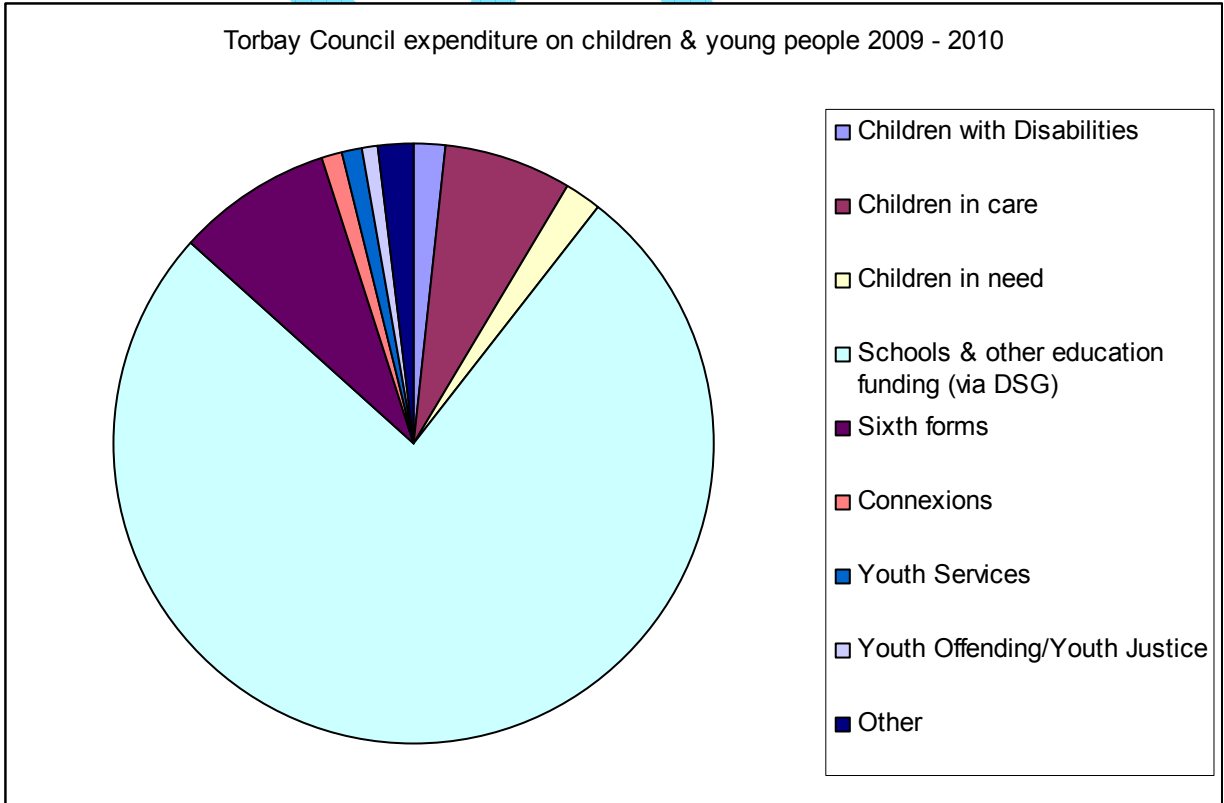
Torbay Council
 Health Service
 Police
 Voluntary sector
 Fire & Rescue Service

£92.60
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Torbay Council expenditure on children & young people

Children with Disabilities
 Children in care
 Children in need
 Schools & other education funding (via DSG)
 Sixth forms
 Connexions
 Youth Services
 Youth Offending/Youth Justice
 Other

£1.64m
 £6.29m
 £1.74m
 £70.6m
 £7.65m
 £1m
 £1m
 £0.8m
 £1.88m



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The Lead Member for Children's Services is also Chair of the Children's Trust Delivery Board, ensuring that there is a strategic, joined up approach to the budget planning process. Governance structures across Torbay's public sector organisations have been adapted to ensure cross representation and active sharing of priorities and resource management. This has achieved successful targeting of resources from a range of sources to the priorities contained within the Children and Young People's Plan e.g. Health, Police and Local Authority working on child safeguarding and support for vulnerable young people. The governance structures also support transparency between organisations and give early identification of budget and resource pressures to allow joint recovery plans to be prepared and actioned, minimising any impact on children and young people's outcomes. This framework is made additionally effective by three year resource allocations and medium term financial planning. The rationalisation of premises by the partnership organisations has led to reduction of resources being spent on support activities and has allowed more resource allocation into priority outcomes. It has also given improved capacity for integrated locality working, thereby accelerating positive outcomes for individuals and groups of children and young people.

Performance Management and Review

This plan shall be reviewed annually, ensuring the plan is properly aligned with the Local Area Agreement review and is adjusted to reflect any additional needs assessments carried out by partners during the previous period. The result of every review will be published.

Evaluation

The evaluation of the plan and its impact will be an ongoing aspect of each Children's Trust partner's performance management framework and within the Children's Services Directorate. Torbay Council's performance management process will assist evaluation and impact. The Annual Performance Assessment and its replacement will also be used to formally evaluate progress and impact. Children and Young People's feedback will be sought and use will be made of the 'TellUs surveys and other local and nationally backed consultations. Note will be taken of any other formal inspections, overview and scrutiny or reports from Field Force visits.

Each Operational Delivery Board will be responsible for providing bi-monthly snapshots for the Children's Trust Delivery Board on how the activities identified within the activity plans attached to this plan are performing. They will also be responsible for carrying out further research upon which the Children's Trust can make decisions about future resources and commissioning opportunities.

Torbay Council Area Assessment

The Area Assessment is a new kind of nationwide inspection that examines how effectively local public services are performing and how well they are working together to meet the needs of the people they serve. Torbay's Area Assessment notes that public services have a good understanding of people's needs and that they have made sure that they have set priorities that match what local people say is important. Issues for local people are affordable decent housing, better job prospects, community safety and activities for young people. It goes on to say that partners recognise the importance of providing good quality, value for money services and that they are taking 'innovative, early steps' to help them save money in the future, without reducing the quality of services.

Overall Torbay Council performs adequately. It is continuing to improve and is delivering in a number its priority areas. It is strong in the areas of crime, children and young people and adult social care. It is

tackling the economy and helping in the recession. But it does not do as well as other councils at recycling, housing benefits and homelessness. It needs to do more to address the needs of the least well off.

Exam results are improving faster than elsewhere. The Council, in partnership with Torbay Care Trust provides good services for adults that need care such as older people or people with learning disabilities. The police and Council are working well together to reduce crime including night time violence. Fewer residents now think there is a problem with drugs or drunk and rowdy behaviour in public. The Council is tackling the Bay's weak economy. The Mayor's Vision recognises the importance of economic prosperity and is driving improvements. The Council is helping new businesses to come in and existing ones to grow. It has worked hard to combat the recession. Torbay has delivered good numbers of new homes, many affordable to buy or rent, although, as in most areas, this is still below current government targets. It keeps the bay clean and tidy.

The Council has had some success in tackling climate change. It has developed plans to reduce carbon emissions that lead to global warming and to reduce the water and energy it uses. It has significantly increased recycling of domestic waste but is still worse than many south west councils. The work on Torbay's economy is encouraging but results will take a while to come through. Unemployment is the highest in the south west and productivity is low.



Risks which may affect delivery of this Plan

The successful delivery of the CYPP is listed on the Council's Corporate Risk Register as a key area of activity for the Council. At a more detailed level the following risks have been identified in relation to the implementation of the CYPP.

What	Risk	Risk owner	Mitigating action
Torbay Council re-shaping & transformation agenda	High	Torbay Council Executive	<p>Any risks arising from development of increased commissioning of services will be mitigated through the adoption of a robust project based approach to this activity.</p> <p>Any impact of the reshaping of Council services on staff morale will be mitigated through an effective strategy for stakeholder engagement in reshaping backed by communication and workforce strategies.</p>
Challenging budget settlements throughout the life of the Plan	High	Children's Trust Board	<p>Risk mitigation through:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maintenance of good arrangements to support and challenge performance of children's services teams and partner agencies through embedding partnership governance arrangements. • Robust medium term financial planning and the development of contingency plans and exit strategies. • Robust medium term financial planning and tools such as zero based budgeting and activity based costing. • Effective representation and advocacy at strategic level.
Partners' ability to take forward priorities might be compromised by resource factors and new national initiatives.	Medium	Children's Trust Board	<p>Risk mitigation is through embedding newly developed partnership arrangements and governance structures to offer support and challenge to partners.</p> <p>Regular updates to the Board and communication to key partners to ensure understanding and commitment.</p>
The increased number of referrals, following the Baby Peter case, is maintained	High	Children's Trust Board	<p>Risk mitigation through improved:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • safeguarding arrangements including more effective identification of children at risk (through transformation) • quality assurance and evidence based practice
Failure to achieve improvements identified in Annual Performance Assessment of Children's Services	High	Children's Trust Board	<p>Risk mitigation is through robust improvement plans, improved quality assurance and evidence based practice.</p>

Recruitment and retention of suitably qualified staff	High	Children's Trust Board	Risk mitigation is through development and roll out of workforce strategy and ensuring open and clear communication with staff throughout transformation process.
Negative effects of economic recession on young people and their families continue to be felt throughout the life of the Plan	High	Children's Trust Board	Risks will be mitigated through further developing identification of children in need and at risk, using transformation proposals and delivery of a single point of entry so that no children and families fall through the net.
Failure of early intervention strategy	Medium	Children's Trust Board	Any risks will be mitigated through the adoption of a robust project based approach to the early intervention strategy.

Activity Sets

Activity sets have been developed to show how we would improve outcomes in each of the priority areas through targeted activities as well as monitoring the performance of the many partners delivering services for children and families in Torbay. Priorities have been set out against key actions and timescales showing what needs to be done to achieve them and milestones & targets to measure against. The priorities were agreed by the members of Torbay's Children's Trust including the Council Torbay Care Trust, Police, the Strategic Health Authority, Schools, Safer Communities, Probation, Youth Services, Connexions, JobCentre Plus and members of the voluntary sector. Activity sets will be monitored and updated monthly where possible to show progress.

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Well Below Target	Under	10.00%
Below Target	Under	5.00%
On Target	On Target	
Above Target	Over	5.00%
Well Above Target	Over	10.00%
Actions not yet planned to be underway		

Performance Measures

National Indicators (NI)
Local Indicators (LI)
Local & Local Area Agreement Indicators (LI) (LAA)

Every Child Matters (ECM) outcome - Being Healthy

Priority 1

Reduce the number of teenagers who become pregnant

Evidence

The latest teenage conception data (for 2007) showed a rate of 57.4 conceptions per thousand young women aged 15 – 17 in Torbay, compared with 51.1 for the previous year. The 2007 rate was 29.9% higher than the 1998 baseline whilst the target is to reduce the 1998 rate by 50% by 2010. The teenage conception rate in Torbay is significantly above the south west average of 36.0 and higher than the England rate of 41.9.

Performance Measures	2007/08	2008/09	2009/10 (target)	2010/11 (target)	2012/13 (target)
NI 112 Under 18 conception rate NI 113 Prevalence of Chlamydia in under 25 year olds		53.4% 0.3%	-17%		

Monitoring Group

Activity 1.1

The condom distribution scheme continues to grow in strength with now over ? young people under 25years registered.

Lead
Siobhan Grady

Progress

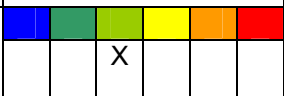


Activity 1.2

Increased contraceptive clinics accessible after school and weekends

Lead

Progress



Activity 1.3

Delay messages strengthened within the SRE programme of delivery in school

Lead

Progress



Activity 1.4

Support and guidance offered to parents to promote messages for talking to your teenager about sex and relationship.

Lead

Progress



Activity 1.5

Lead

Progress



1. SEXUAL HEALTH SERVICES
1.1 National Support Team Visit

1.2 What Has Been Achieved

Significant improvements have been made to commissioning arrangements for sexual health services over the past 2 years. These have been included:

- Major refurbishment of Castle Circus Health Centre to improve the infrastructure enabling increased clinic space and integrated working.
- Re commissioning of Contraceptive and sexual health services provided by South Devon Healthcare Foundation Trust.
- Supporting South Devon Healthcare Foundation Trust with the workforce improvements including recruitment of consultant, staff training and skill mix; process redesign.
- Working with South Devon Healthcare Foundation Trust to increase access to contraception and Chlamydia screening through an outreach model.
- Commissioning of a Condom Distribution Scheme
- Commissioning of young person’s walk in clinics and development of outreach service
- Implementation and roll out of C Card condom distribution scheme
- Commissioning of Torbay multi agency sexual health programme with over 163 people attending basic level 1 awareness.
- Commissioning of mystery shopping of young people clinics
- Commissioning of a review of Long Acting Reversible Contraceptive (LARC)
- Achieving the 2008 chlamydia screening target of 15-24 year olds
- Achieving the national 48 hours access to specialist sexual health services target.
- PEC champion for Chlamydia screening.
- Exceeded Chlamydia screening target in 2008/09.

2.0 SEXUAL HEALTH STRATEGY

There still remains the challenge to develop the services further ensuring access times are convenient; environment fit for purpose and welcoming; availability and offer of the full range of screening; contraception and treatments. There will also be a specific focus on primary care recognising the skill and range of service which already exists and work with the new Practice Based Commissioning consortium to ensure Bay coverage.

In order to focus and set direction for the next phase we have updated the sexual health strategy which takes account of the significant improvements which have been made between commissioners and providers but based on a brief needs assessment also identifies the areas we have still yet to impact upon such as the Under 25years termination rates; teenage conceptions; rates of sexually transmitted infections.

The draft sexual health strategy has been circulated and consulted on widely during December and focuses on the following four goals which are already being implemented:

Implement an Integrated sexual health services based on a tiered model.	The local integrated model supports the delivery of three levels of service provision as proposed by the National Sexual Health Strategy.
Improve availability and access to Sexual Health Services	Improving access to sexual health services is a priority for Torbay. Services which offer prompt diagnosis and treatment to reduce the spread of infection whilst improving patient experience is crucial. Clear pathways will support the outreach model being implemented responding to local need and bringing sexual health services closer to the community at accessible times in a range of settings.
Increase the capacity of primary care	Primary care currently play a key role across the tier 1 and tier 2 provision of sexual health services. We want to increase the offer consistently across the Bay and thereby increase the number of people accessing sexual health services within primary care settings

	as well as extend opportunities through pharmacies.
Ensure a Skilled and competent workforce	We will increase the number of practitioners trained in a range of sexual health skills who comply with governance requirements and meet continuing professional development standards.

A wider stakeholder event is to take place which is to be facilitated by the National Support Team and will be an opportunity to encourage wider buy in and agree ways in which to take forward the actions identified in the strategy.

(Full copies of the latest version of the strategy are available on request).

3.0 TEENAGE PREGNANCY

Tackling teenage pregnancy continues to be high priority for all agencies and a partnership approach is taken in order to effectively address the complex nature and factors that have an influence and impact on teenage behaviour. It needs to be recognised that actions can take time to impact on reducing teenage pregnancy figures, we need long term and sustained effort focusing on the 4 priority areas and continue to raise standards and improve performance across all agencies.

The Teenage Pregnancy Strategy focuses on the following four priority areas:

- Young people focused contraceptive sexual health services,
- Strong delivery of Sex and Relationships Education,
- Targeted work with at risk young people
- Work with parents and carers.

3.1 Rates

Data from 2008 is not due until the end of February 2009. However we do have access to provisional 2008 Quarter 1 to Q3 data which informs us that the rates of teenage pregnancy are not yet decreasing and that it is unlikely that the 2010 target will be met.

We are likely to see a slight increase in numbers overall with an increase in terminations being cause for concern.

Due to the confidential nature of the data we are unable to release Quarterly figures for 2008 in the public domain.

3.2 PROGRESS ON WHAT WE SAID WE WOULD DO

3.2.1 Young people focused contraceptive/ sexual health services: trusted by teenagers and well known by professionals working with them.

We said we would increase the number of young people sexual health clinics and access to different forms of contraception

- 3 clinics have been added (and a 4th pilot after school) and there is now at least one young person clinic ran nearly every day in Torbay
- Condom Distribution Scheme has increased coverage and there are now
- 60 practitioners trained and offering registrations
- With additional practitioners trained and offering collection which include GP surgeries and Union House
- 29 venues or places where young people can register and 52 places where young people can pick up condoms.
- It is estimated (exact figure to be confirmed) that over 1,000 young people are now registered with the scheme.
- Health Wise shop operating 5 days a week in Torquay town centre. Currently submitting self assessment for accreditation of You're Welcome quality kitemark.

- Mapping and competency audit of venues delivering Long Acting Reversible Contraception complete. Analysis of Implanon being undertaken to identify removal rates.
- Sexual health input including Chlamydia testing and condom distribution at South Devon College during 'Safety week' Dec 09. Dedicated clinic session for South Devon college developed with Midvale Road Clinic
- Team leader for new sexual health outreach team recruited.

3.2.2 Strong Delivery of Sex and Relationships Education (SRE) /Personal Social Health Education (PSHE) by Schools.

We said we would provide up to date resources and support teaching staff to deliver outstanding PSHE

- Torbay council invested in new PSHE Advisor post who is now supporting schools to ensure that their SRE programme and resources are effective.
- National toolkit for evaluation of SRE in schools completed for secondary schools and recommendations implemented eg. increase of single sex sessions, focus on skills and relationships as well as facts.
- Christopher Winter primary school resource has been funded and implemented by those schools undertaking Healthy School Plus.
- Healthy schools conference scheduled for July 2010, with focus on reducing teenage pregnancy.

3.2.3 Targeted work with 'at risk' young people in particular LAC and Care Leavers

We said we would specifically do work with 200 young men and an additional 300 "at risk" young people. And have a trained Children's workforce able to identify sexual health risk factors and be able to provide early intervention.

- eCAF developed to identify young people at risk of teenage pregnancy and interventions taking place.
- Single sex group work sessions undertaken with students from pupil referral unit and Westlands school.
- Children in Care are screened for sexual health as part of health assessments.
- Targeted Boys and Young Men's Work – Group work Jan 08 – March 09 184 YP (160 males, 24 females, 7 BME, 19 CLA and 4 E2E). Programmes run in 'Hot spot' schools and PRUs. One to One work – 18 males (3 CLA, 5 Care Leavers, 2 PRU and 4 excluded from school).
- Sexual health outreach worker Jan 09 – June 09. Targeted group work in schools/PRU's/ hotspot wards total 74 YP (22 male / 52 females) 25 living in area of high deprivation, 25 Early onset of sexual behaviour, 22 poor contraceptive use, 31 low educational attainment, 4 NEETS, 13 alcohol/substance misuse, 43 disengagement from school, 6 looked after children, 8 mental health/conduct disorder/crime. Individual targeted work 16 young people (8 male / 8 female) 11 living in area of high deprivation, 16 early onset of sexual behaviour.

3.2.4 Work with Parents and Carers of children and young people.

We said that we would train frontline staff who work with parents and carers including foster carers in recognising risk factors and how to speak to your teenager about sexual health.

- Parenting workers attend level 1 and 2 sexual health training.
- Sexual health has been covered within the Triple P training and programmes in place for targeted parents. It is planned as part of the universal delivery which will be rolled out from Jan 2010.

- Parent Line information and “Talking to your Teenager about sex and relationships has been widely distributed to all GP surgeries, Pharmacies, Parenting workers, Clusters and relevant agencies.
- Torbay Parenting website covers sexual health and local booklet “Learning to Live With Your Teenager” has been distributed.

3.2.5 Communications

We said we would

- promote delay**
- re brand our sexual health services in Torbay**
- ask young people what they thought of our services**
- advertise and promote services on offer**
- advertise and promote contraception options available**

- In line with social marketing model, in process of re-branding sexual health services across Torbay.
- Leaflets, posters distributed
- Radio and bus advertising used for Chlamydia and C card
- Services and clinics advertised on websites including My Bay.

4.0 CONCLUSION

Meetings with Government Office South West (GOSW), National Support Team (NST) and areas that are doing well all give the same message – there are no silver bullets or magic wands - you need to stick with it and keep implementing the strategy. Feedback from GOSW and NST is that Torbay is now working in line with national strategy and national guidelines, and that actions are based on evidence of what works. Torbay needs to keep implementing the strategy and embed good practice across all agencies.

KEY INTERDEPENDENCIES BETWEEN THE TEENAGE PREGNANCY STRATEGY AND THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT NATIONAL INDICATOR SET

The table below sets out the relevant national indicators. Against each indicator there is a reference to the relevant actions required of local areas set out in the DCSF/DH guidance to local areas: *Teenage Pregnancy: Guidance to Local Authorities and Primary Care Trusts on Effective Delivery of Local Strategies*; *Teenage Pregnancy Accelerating the Strategy to 2010*; and *Teenage Parents Next Steps: Guidance for Local Authorities and Primary Care Trusts*.

Indicator	Link to Teenage Pregnancy Strategy
NI 50: Emotional health of Children	Poor emotional health/low self esteem is an underlying risk factor for teenage pregnancy. Local efforts to build vulnerable young people’s aspirations and self-esteem should therefore mitigate that risk. Young people at high risk of early parenthood should therefore be a target group for these sorts of interventions. Teenage mothers should also be a target group because of their high risk of poor emotional health – with social isolation and relationship breakdown as significant contributors.
NI 51: Effectiveness of CAMH Services	Young mothers are 3 times more likely to suffer from post-natal depression and poor mental health for up to 3 years after the birth. The local area should establish clear referral arrangements to CAMHS from midwives, health visitors and youth workers who identify young mothers with poor mental health.
NI 53: Prevalence of breastfeeding at 6-8 weeks from birth	Areas choosing this as a priority will want to target young mothers - who have much lower breastfeeding rates than older mothers - including through offering tailored ante-natal care/classes for teenage mothers (who access ante-natal care late and often drop out of ‘all-age’

	antenatal classes)
NI 58: Emotional and behavioural health of children in care	Given the significantly higher incidence of pregnancy among young women in care/care leavers, additional support on sex and relationships should be provided – both in terms of ensuring they know where to access local services and giving them the skills to manage positive relationships
NI 70: Hospital admissions caused by unintentional and deliberate injuries to children and young people	Children born to teenage mothers are more likely to be admitted to A&E for, for example, falls and swallowing dangerous substances. Areas looking to reduce admissions should ensure that teenage mothers are receiving the emotional support they need – the higher rate of admissions to A&E is linked to the mothers' poor emotional health and well-being
NI 75: Achievement of 5 or more A*-C grades at GCSE or equivalent	Professionals working on strategies to increase the number of students achieving 5 A*-C GCSEs should be aware of the strong association (even after other factors are taken into account) between poor educational attainment among young women and high rates of teenage pregnancy. Almost 40% of teenage mothers have no educational qualifications. Most school age mothers have their babies in Year 11. Support to complete their compulsory education is critical.
NI 81: Inequality Gap in the achievement of a level 3 qualification by age 19	There will almost certainly be a disproportionate number of young mothers among the group who do not achieve a level 3 qualification by age 19. Reducing the gap will, therefore, require action to support more young mothers to return to EET <i>Teenage Parents Next Steps: 6.66, 6.73</i>
NI 82: Inequality Gap in the achievement of a level 2 qualification by age 19	See above
NI 87: Secondary School persistent absence rate	Local areas with higher than average rates of unauthorised absence have – after taking account of other factors – higher rates of teenage pregnancy. School Improvement Partnerships should focus on preventing girls dropping out of school in years 8 or 9 who are at high risk of pregnancy in giving them targeted support to return and stay in education and offer curriculum choices encouraging them to do this. Relevant professionals should be aware of the increased risk of early pregnancy and be confident to support young people to access specialist services - this should include Parent Support Advisers and links to the local parenting strategy. School age mothers are at disproportionate risk of absenteeism and require specific support.
NI 109: Number of Sure Start Children's Centres	Children's Centres have a target to extend the 'reach' of their services to teenage parents. Accelerated roll-out of Children's Centres will benefit teenage mothers who are a priority group for co-ordinated support through the Children's Centre. The local co-ordinator may well be able to help with information sharing between midwives and health visitors, and Children's Centres and Connexions/Integrated Youth Support Services.
NI 110: Young people's participation in positive activities	Engagement in positive activities builds resilience and protects against early pregnancy and other poor outcomes. The content of the positive activities available should include support to raise aspirations and to give young people the knowledge and skills they need to experience good sexual health, with the workforce confident about supporting young people to access specialist services when necessary. Local areas should ensure that: positive activities engage the most vulnerable young people, including teenage parents. Local areas are required to identify and overcome barriers to participation. For teenage parents, these will include the timing of positive activities, their location, transport to them and the cost and location of childcare when they take place.

NI 112: Under-18 conception rate	Self-evident
NI 113: Prevalence of Chlamydia in under-20s	Improvements in SRE and easy access to young people friendly services will support prevention of <u>STIs as well as unplanned pregnancy</u> . A target to reduce chlamydia prevalence is an opportunity to co-locate screening programmes with contraceptive services and condom distribution schemes in schools, FE and other youth settings. Care should be taken to ensure that the roll-out of the Chlamydia screening programme and 48-hour GUM access targets do not shift the focus away from prevention, towards reactive services and reducing waiting times.
NI 114: Rate of permanent exclusions from school	Disengagement from school is often a precursor to early pregnancy. Dislike of school also has a strong independent effect on the risk of pregnancy. Programmes focused on reducing exclusions should consider the provision of intensive SRE as part of personal development programmes, to reduce the risk of early sex and pregnancy. Local areas should ensure that school age mothers do not face permanent (or temporary) exclusions on grounds of pregnancy or health and safety issues connected to pregnancy - and are allowed to return to school once they have had their baby.
NI 115: Substance misuse by young people	Drugs and alcohol contribute to young people's risky sexual behaviour. Local strategies to address alcohol and substance misuse should highlight the risk of unprotected sex particularly after excessive alcohol consumption, leading to STIs/unplanned pregnancies. Improvements in PSHE and easy access to young people friendly co-located advice services will help reduce harm from substance misuse as well as teenage pregnancy.
NI 116: Proportion of children living in poverty	Children born to teenage mothers have a 63% higher risk of living in poverty than children born to older mothers. Support to help teenage parents back into EET to improve later employment levels, will reduce this risk.
NI 117: 16-18 year olds who are NEET	Teenage mothers are likely to be over-represented in an areas' female NEET cohort. Improvements in their EET levels will contribute to this target and make a significant impact on the 16-18s at greatest risk of long term NEET and poor levels of later employment. Teenage mothers will need a co-ordinated package of support – brokered through a lead professional – in order to return to EET. Although there is no similar data on young fathers, the risk factors for becoming a young father make it likely that they will be at disproportionate risk of being NEET
NI 118: Take up of formal childcare by low-income working families	Care to Learn provides financial support to cover the costs of Ofsted registered (i.e. formal) childcare for young parents starting a course of learning under 20. But for young mothers in employment, childcare support will come through working tax credits. The availability of child and working tax credits should be actively promoted to young mothers. Marketing of tax credits should overcome the reluctance of many young mothers to use formal childcare – reassuring them about issues such as safety, quality and promoting social and educational benefits to the child <i>Teenage Parents Next Steps: 6.66</i>
NI 123: 16+ current smoking rate prevalence	Although the number of teenage mothers who smoke during pregnancy is likely to be only a small part of the overall cohort of 16+ smokers, the impact of their smoking on their child's health outcomes is significant. Local areas are expected to focus on reducing the numbers of teenage mothers who smoke through training of maternity staff and referrals to local smoking cessation programmes.
NI 126: Early access for women to maternity services	Teenage mothers are much more likely to present late for ante-natal care, with the average booking made at 16 weeks and are less likely to engage in ante-natal classes. Where selected as a priority, improving

	early access to maternity services by teenage mothers will make a significant contribution to the target
NI 141: Number of vulnerable people achieving independent living	This NI is concerned with ensuring that client groups of 'Supporting People' (providing housing support services) achieve a successful transition to independent living and can sustain their tenancies when they move on from supported housing. About 3500 teenage parents (almost all mothers) under 18 receive such services in supervised units or in their own accommodation (floating support). Teenage mothers are prone to isolation when they are move into independent housing and Supporting People linked with other services helps to ensure that they are able to manage their tenancies, budget their incomes and avoid debt. It means they are better equipped to engage with learning and avoid further unwanted pregnancies.
NI 153: Working age people claiming out of work benefits in the worst performing neighbourhoods	Compared to mothers aged 24 or over, teenage mothers are much less likely to be employed and 22% more likely to be living in poverty by the age of 30. As a consequence, their children are at higher risk of being without work in later life. Compared with men who become fathers at 23 or over, younger fathers are twice as likely to be unemployed at age 30. Improving support for teenage mothers and young fathers and removing the barriers to EET will make both a short and longer term contribution to the target.
NI 163: Working age population qualified to at least level 2 or higher	Work in this area could support efforts to increase the proportion of young parents aged over 16 in EET. Almost 40% of teenage mothers have no qualifications. Although there is no similar data on young fathers, it is likely they are also at disproportionate risk of having no qualifications. A focus on increasing EET of teenage parents will contribute to the target.
NI 164: Working age population qualified to at least level 3 or higher	See above

Teenage Pregnancy Unit, November 2008

Sexual health

Robust plan reflecting best practice in place. Plan has received external approval.

Significant investment undertaken to reduce teenage pregnancies.

Boys and young men at risk are now being targeted by dedicated worker who works on one to one from referrals received and provides group work with identified young men via targeted youth support services.

Additional sexual health young people sessions commissioned from CASH.

School nurse led clinic established in Paignton town centre Tuesday after school.

Sexual Health Outreach Young People's Worker appointed - will provide support to services in creating a young people friendly environment and encourage young people to attend services.

Good uptake of sexual health training for front line workers.

Young Peoples Sexual Health Participation project (undertaken by Children's Society) has completed first stage review – Sex Factor 1

Emergency Hormonal Contraception being accessed via pharmacies and school nurses

Strong Delivery of SRE/PSHE in Schools - piloting Key Stage 3 locally developed programme. Pilot evaluation taken place in Brixham Community College using National Children Bureau toolkit.

Key Stage 4 programme on track for piloting next Sept 09.

Additional 2 days funded for programme manager to lead Healthy Schools Plus programme (8 schools recruited).

Focus is on SRE. (TCT funded).3 x teachers and 2 x school nurses recruited to CPD programme.

Targeted Work with At Risk Groups

Children in Care, as part of health assessment, are screened for sexual health.

Sexual health outreach project provided by Check Point works with identified groups from Paignton Community College and Brixham College.

Sexual health outreach youth worker post recruited to support sexual health services.

79% of Torbay schools have Healthy School Status. 8 schools are engaged on Healthy School Plus (enhanced status). Christopher Winter commissioned by Torbay Care Trust for primary schools taking part in Healthy Schools Plus programme.

Contraceptive & Sexual Health Service to implement action plan from self assessment against You're Welcome.
Training on Long Acting Reversible Contraception (LARC) for doctors and nurses planned, to include training on pre- LARC counselling to improve retention rates.
Workforce development for Nurses to increase number of FP trained nurses to address staffing difficulties.
Contraceptive & Sexual Health Service services to join the C-card scheme to ensure consistency.
Targeted funding secured for increasing sexual health service provision at South Devon College.
Awaiting appointment of PSHE Advisor.
For schools to engage with toolkit "Are you getting it right" in order for pupils to evaluate SRE.
To develop SRE mentors for teachers
To develop Peer Education programme
Risk Factors for teenage pregnancy to be flagged on eCAF – awaiting completion.
Data sharing and collection of numbers of young people identified at risk and intervention provided.
Targeted Prevention Nurse posts have been reviewed. Integration with public health nursing needed to ensure governance and accountability arrangements are in place particularly around Patient Group Directives.
Antenatal care pathway to be launched with midwifery, health visitors and Connexions.
Evaluation of 2008/09 sexual health training programme. Ensure 2009/10 training is well promoted throughout LA, TCT and partners. To ensure reducing TP is linked to the development of MyPlace.

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Every Child Matters (ECM) outcome - Being Healthy

Priority 2

Reduce the use of alcohol and substance misuse by children and young people

Agreement priority - Stronger Communities

Tellus3 16% had been drunk at least once in the last 4 weeks with 8% drunk 3 or more times.
11% have used cannabis or skunk at least once in the last 4 weeks with 6% using 3 or more times. 7% have used other drugs at least once in the last 4 weeks with 3% using 3 or more times.

2006 General User Satisfaction survey - Public perception people using or dealing drugs being a fairly or very big problem 64% of people (cf England 43%)

Torbay has over a 1000 problematic drug users.

Alcohol related hospital admissions (2006/7) per 100,00 population 1621 (England 1384 & South West 1315)

Alcohol liver disease admissions are twice the expected rate across Torbay as a whole and five times the expected rate in one ward.

1000 + problematic drug users across LA

ASB related to drug and alcohol substance misuse by YP

8% regularly smoke cigarettes with 6% smoking cigarettes every day

Nearly 1 in 5 adults in Torbay are obese. Childhood overweight & obese (2007/8) 26.6% (England 27.7%)

In 2007/8 7.3% of children in Reception were shown by the National Child Measurement Programme (NCMP) to be obese (cf 10% for England)

In 2007/8 16.4% of children in Year 6 were shown by the National Child Measurement Programme (NCMP) to be obese (cf 18.9% for England)

In 2007/8 80% of children and young people's participated in high-quality PE and sport (cf 76% for England)

TellUs3 – 8% thought that they were not very healthy. 29% usually eat 1-2 portions of fruit and vegetables each day and 2% eat no portions. 29% are worried at being healthy. 9% did not feel happy about life

Torbay has high mental health admission rates and a high suicide rate, although the numbers are small approximately 15-20 deaths per annum.

Public perception of people being drunk or rowdy in public places being a fairly or very big problem 50% of people (cf England 30.6%)

Performance Measures	2007/08	2008/09	2009/10 (target)	2010/11 (target)	2012/13 (target)
NI 39 Rate of Hospital Admissions per 100,000 for Alcohol Related Harm (LAA)	1914	Tgt 2266			
NI 115 Substance misuse by young people	13.3%	13%			
NI 51 Effectiveness of child and adolescent mental health (CAMHS) services					
NI 52 Take up of school lunches primary & secondary					
NI 55 Obesity in primary school age children in Reception (also an LAA indicator)		15			
NI 56 Obesity in primary school age children in Year 6 (also an LAA indicator)		28.7% +35.9%			
NI 57 Children and young people's participation in high quality PE and sport					
Tell us survey due Jan 2010					

Monitoring Group

Activity 2.1

Young people experience safe and sensible drinking – TCT SIF

What we will do:

- Drugs and alcohol training for all staff working with young people and their families
- More people in specialist treatment exit in a planned way
- Improved data collected from partner agencies particularly through A&E
- Extend use of mystery shoppers to identify establishments selling to under-age drinkers

Lead

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Review PSHE and support available to schools as core offer by practitioners Pilot peer education project which will address risk taking including sexual health; alcohol and drug use; smoking; developing self esteem and strong emotional health. 	
Progress	
<p>Activity 2.2 Fully implement the National Service Framework for Children and Young People and Maternity Services ahead of the national timescale of 2014 What we will do:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Fully develop services for children in Torbay along the lines identified as best practice. Clearly identify need through Joint Strategic Needs Assessment and Children and Young People plan. Improve the performance of the commissioning groups which are accountable to Children's Trust Develop joint commissioning arrangements for specific groups of care such as CAMHS, complex healthcare needs, palliative care and early intervention Ensure families are involved in designing services for their children <p>Develop a participation strategy with involvement of children and young people.</p>	Lead
Progress	
<p>Activity 2.3 Make available the full range of specialist community-based child and adolescent mental health services (Tiers 2 & 3) to residents of by 31/03/11 What we will do:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Implement the new IT system, with improved patient records, and management information available Develop a more responsive service for youngsters and families arising from Choice & Partnership booking and clinical management, and local venues Work to clearer and more consistent referral guidelines across Devon Improve support for eating disorders Increased Family Therapy resource Increase south west facilities for youngsters requiring long-term care Improve care pathways for eating disorders, Chronic Fatigue, Autistic Spectrum Disorder Maintain fully-staffed CAMHS teams Continually review skill-mix, training and development needs Maintain local venues for CAMHS delivery Liaise closely with colleagues throughout Children Services in Torbay and Devon Ensure good transition planning with colleagues in adult services Co-locate more Children's Services to improve liaison and reduce duplication of assessments and improve efficiency and responsiveness of service, building upon existing co-location and reconfiguration. Continue to review the caseload and skill-mix of teams (by Tier 2 and Tier 3 managers), with a view to future training and development needs. Continue to review adequacy of training budget for both teams. Closely liaise with colleagues in other services across Children's Services, to address and simplify the complex structure of children's services Closely involve staff in the development of new systems. Seek feedback from young people and carers as the new booking system evolves and from referrers following the implementation of new guidelines. Involve service users in continued developments of service Develop participation groups for service users Continue involvement of staff and other agencies in service development 	Lead
Progress	

Activity 2.4 Reverse the trend in childhood obesity to achieve a clear downward trend in the level of childhood obesity by 2013 What we will do: 1. Continue to develop care pathway in line with Obesity Strategy and NICE guidance 2. Develop 'mini MEND' or HENRY for younger children (Pre-school) 3. Focus of our interventions on cluster groups identified nationally 4. Link with national social marketing campaign 5. Strengthen cross partnership working Consult with local families on levels of support	Lead					
Progress						
Activity 2.8 Make available the full range of specialist community-based child and adolescent mental health services (Tiers 2 & 3) to residents of by 31 March 2011 What we will do: 22. Implement the new IT system, with improved patient records, and management information available 23. Develop a more responsive service for youngsters and families arising from Choice & Partnership booking and clinical management, and local venues 24. Work to clearer and more consistent referral guidelines across Devon 25. Improve support for eating disorders 26. Increased Family Therapy resource 27. Increase south west facilities for youngsters requiring long-term care 28. Improve care pathways for eating disorders, Chronic Fatigue, Autistic Spectrum Disorder 29. Maintain fully-staffed CAMHS teams 30. Continually review skill-mix, training and development needs 31. Maintain local venues for CAMHS delivery 32. Liaise closely with colleagues throughout Children Services in Torbay and Devon 33. Ensure good transition planning with colleagues in adult services 34. Co-locate more Children's Services to improve liaison and reduce duplication of assessments and improve efficiency and responsiveness of service, building upon existing co-location and reconfiguration. 35. Continue to review the caseload and skill-mix of teams (by Tier 2 and Tier 3 managers), with a view to future training and development needs. 36. Continue to review adequacy of training budget for both teams. 37. Closely liaise with colleagues in other services across Children's Services, to address and simplify the complex structure of children's services 38. Closely involve staff in the development of new systems. 39. Seek feedback from young people and carers as the new booking system evolves and from referrers following the implementation of new guidelines. 40. Involve service users in continued developments of service 41. Develop participation groups for service users 42. Continue involvement of staff and other agencies in service development	Lead					
Progress						
Activity 2.9 Reduce admissions to inpatient (Tier 4) child and adolescent mental health services by 20% (from the 2006/07 baseline) by 31 March 2011 What we will do: 1. Maintain in-patient admissions at current levels, but certainly that they should not increase. 2. Maintain strong clinical leadership and a skilled Tier 3 workforce. Plus good community-based services that are able to intervene early with parenting support etc. 3. The Torbay service will further liaise with commissioners and Tier 4 colleagues to	Lead					

<p>ensure that Torbay patients have equal access.</p> <p>4. Maintain strong local clinical leadership within all clinical professions and particularly psychiatric leadership for this group of patients.</p> <p>5. Ensure a critical mass of Psychiatric staffing is maintained, and increase the skill levels of Tier 3 Mental Health Nurses.</p> <p>6. Maintain the support of Tier 2 workers for their Tier 1 colleagues in schools and primary care etc.</p> <p>7. Maintain the training programme and increasing awareness for behavioural, parenting and mental health issues.</p> <p>8. Maintain close liaison with patients and families.</p>	
Progress	
<p>Activity 2.10 Healthy Schools Plus What we will do: Recruit a further 8 schools in 2009/10 Support schools and their staff to deliver outstanding PSHE Share best practice to all schools Develop Core offer with school nursing service and appropriate practitioners working at delivering PSHE in education settings</p>	Lead
Progress	
<p>Activity 2.11 Drugs and alcohol training Extending use of mystery shopping to identify selling to CYP. Improvements in PHSE delivery and materials Focus work in deprived areas – engagement in neighbourhood management pathfinder area</p>	Lead
Progress	
<p>Activity 2.12 Increase take up of school meals</p>	Lead
Progress	

Substance misuse

Torbay does not have a nationally distinctive culture of drug or alcohol abuse.
 Good identification of, and access to, treatment for children and young people who misuse substances (APA 2008 strength).

Good progress towards a comprehensive child and adolescent mental health service (CAMHS) (APA 2008 strength).

Targeted mental health in schools bid successful which will increase number of primary care mental health workers; education psychology support and family support as main disciplines supporting schools.

Review current provision of PSHEe including SRE and Drugs Education and develop a training programme to meet identified needs, including dissemination of the new national guidance in readiness for PSHEe becoming statutory in Sept 2011

Roll out the PSHE CPD programme for teachers and nurses to include partners working with identified small groups or individuals to deliver SRE or Dugs education

Recruit a further 8 Healthy School Plus (enhanced status) schools - 3 secondary and 5 primary.

1. Young People’s Alcohol Misuse Review Recommendations

For all Torbay agencies

- 1.1. Bring together the plans and strategies of all agencies which deal with young people and alcohol misuse into a single Torbay wide document which is communicated to the public, particularly parents and young people themselves and is systematically monitored and evaluated

1.2. Through all policies and procedures, including Planning and Community Safety, Torbay Council and partner agencies challenge the 'drinking' culture of the area.

Education

1.3. Torbay Council, Torbay Care Trust, schools, youth services and other youth projects deliver effective education consistently through young people's school career which develops informed, safe and sensible attitudes toward the use of alcohol based on what has been demonstrated to be effective in the short and longer term.

1.4. Taking into account the feedback from young people themselves, evaluate and expand the availability and frequency of 'hard hitting' sessions such as those currently being delivered on a voluntary basis by an A&E sister and the police

1.5. Torbay Council, The Youth Offending Team, Torbay Care Trust and the Police evaluate the effectiveness of education initiatives and campaigns to inform further developments

Children's Services

1.6. Work closely with the voluntary sector to share resources and best practice and in particular to help secure on-going funding for voluntary sector provision of young people's leisure and support services

1.7. Continue to engage public transport partners to improve the affordability and accessibility of public transport to young people to encourage participation in structured youth activity, including making permanent the recently introduced pilot providing cheaper evening transport having evaluated the times it operates and adjusted them where necessary, and also ensure that these concessions for young people are well publicised

1.8. Involve young people themselves in planning further provision, including unstructured spaces to meet informally in localities not presently covered by existing programmes

Community Safety

1.9. Investigate setting up a Community Alcohol Partnership with the Wine and Spirits Trade Association to build on good partnership work between the police, the Council, retailers and others

1.10. Continue and strengthen the programme of intelligence led test purchasing, strengthen the penalties and publicise the outcomes to retailers to deter under age sales

1.11. Torbay Council and the Police take the work which has been shown to be so effective in reducing crime and tackling 'proxy' sales in Hele and Barton to other areas where a particular problem is suspected

1.12. The police in partnership with the licensing department encourage and inform members of the public of the best way to report any breaches of the law on the provision of alcoholic drink to young people

Safer Communities

1.13. Through the re-launch of Know the Code, working with the Public Health Commissioning Team and the specialist young people's services, develop and deliver a campaign which provides accurate, consistent and appropriate guidance for parents emphasising the role and responsibilities of parents in ensuring that their children make fully informed and safe choices about drinking

1.14. Include the evidence that the younger people start to drink the more at risk they are of long term health problems including alcoholism in publicity and guidance for parents and young people

1.15. Obtain mainstream funding to sustain all the Operation Stay Safe and Street Teams initiatives at enhanced levels

- 1.16. Increase police and park wardens foot patrols of parks with a view to supporting young people's safe and appropriate use of them.

Torbay Care Trust

- 1.17. Building on the work that has already started, gather data on young people affected by alcohol misuse problems in touch with council services, police, health services, and voluntary organisations to monitor local trends and the impact of services so they can be evaluated and, where necessary, strengthened
- 1.18. Ensure the substance misuse services, in implementing the new dependants needs assessment process, provide children whose parents are using alcohol services with appropriate additional support and information on safe drinking
- 1.19. Distribute the self-referral cards being developed by Checkpoint to all agencies that are potentially in touch with young people who are looking for support with their drinking
- 1.20. Ensure a smooth transition for 18 year olds moving from specialist young people's alcohol services to adult services and monitor that they continue to access and receive effective support.

The Mayor

- 1.21. The Mayor to write to the Secretary of State for Health to support the recommendations of the September 2009 BMA Report '*Under the Influence: The damaging effect of alcohol marketing on young people*' as follows:
 - a. As part of a comprehensive alcohol control strategy the Government should:
 - b. Implement and rigorously enforce a comprehensive ban on all alcohol marketing communications
 - c. Establish minimum price levels for the sale of alcoholic products
 - d. Increase the level of excise duty paid on alcohol above the rate of inflation and rationalise the current taxation system so it is accurately linked to alcohol strength for all products
 - e. Regulate the availability of alcohol products through a reduction in licensing hours for on- and off-licensed premises
 - f. Commission further independent research and evaluation of sales practices, covering all aspects of industry marketing (including that of producers, distributors and supermarkets). This should be used to inform, and where appropriate, strengthen the current regulatory system
 - g. Ensure that the density of alcohol outlets is taken into account in planning and licence applications, and where necessary, introduce legislative changes to ensure these factors are considered
 - h. Assess the impact on public health of the changes to licensing legislation in the UK, and in particular the emergence of pubcos (a group of pubs owned by a single company which either manages the pubs directly or leases them to tenants)
 - i. Undertake a full audit of the market, and consider ways to prohibit any products that appeal to young people more than adults, or are particularly associated with problematic drinking
 - j. Introduce a compulsory levy on the alcohol industry with which to fund an independent health body to oversee alcohol related research, health promotion and policy advice. The levy should be set as a proportion of current expenditure on advertising marketing, index linked in future years.

Every Child Matters (ECM) outcome – Stay Safe

Priority 3

Ensure all children and young people are protected from abuse and neglect and feel safe in their families and communities

Community Plan and Local Area Agreement priority - Stronger Communities

Evidence

There are on average 272 incidents of domestic abuse in Torbay each month. 86% of victims in Torbay are female.

1,010 children were recorded by police as being present at incidents from April to December 2008.

40% of children on the Child Protection Register are living in households where domestic abuse is a significant concern.

Alcohol and/or drugs are involved in approximately 50% of domestic abuse incidents in Torbay.

20% of all domestic abuse incidents (crime and non crime) reported in Torbay are Very High Risk

Tellus3 74% of children and young people said that around the local area, they felt very or quite safe from being hurt by other people, 21% felt a bit unsafe and 4% very unsafe. The national figures were 75%, 19% and 5% respectively.

Unintentional & deliberate injuries to children & young people 2006/7 140 per 10,000 young people aged 0 – 17. English & South West figures 123 & 127 respectively

Non-elective admissions for injuries & poisonings (0 – 14) 2007/8 118.7 (England 100)

Tellus3 48% of children and young people said they have never been bullied at school. This is lower than the national figure of 56%. 7% said they were bullied most days (the national figure was 6%).

26% of children and young people said their school deals with bullying very or quite well (the national figure was 35%). 22% said their school dealt badly with bullying (the national figure was 16%)

84% of children and young people said they felt very or quite safe in school (the national figure was 88%). 15% said they felt a bit or very unsafe in school (the national figure was 11%)

2000 Torbay children (based on national prevalence data) have a long-term learning difficulty and/or disability and of these just over half will have complex needs requiring a range of specialist services.

Depended children living - not in good health (2001 census) 1.5% (England 1.2% & South West 1.1%)

Depended children living with a limiting long-term illness (2001 census) 5.1% (England 4.3% & S West 4.2%)

Final warnings /reprimands and convictions of children looked after - the outturn performance for the 2008/09 reporting year was 2.8% and 4.6% for 2007/08.

First time entrants aged 10 – 17 to the criminal justice system (2007/8) 2344 per 100,000 (England 1825 & South West 1657)

Performance Measures

	2007/08	2008/09	2009/10 (target)	2010/11 (target)	2012/13 (target)
PSA 13					
NI 48 Children killed or seriously injured in road traffic accidents		31.8%	5%		
NI 59 Percentage of initial assessments for children's social care carried out within 7 working days of referral	74.1%	71.2%	75%		
NI 60 Percentage of core assessments for children's social care that were carried out within 35 working days of their commencement	62.2%	76%	75%		
NI 61 Timeliness of placements of looked after children for adoption following an agency decision that the child should be placed for adoption	100%	41.7%			
NI 62 Stability of placements of looked after children: number of moves (LAA)		11.9%	14%		
NI 64 Child Protection Plans lasting 2 years or more	3.4%	4.7%	6%		
NI 65 Percentage of children becoming the subject of a Child Protection Plan for a	17.6%	9.1%	13%		

second or subsequent time					
NI 66 Looked after children cases which were reviewed within required timescales	98.8%	97%	98%		
NI 67 Percentage of child protection cases which were reviewed within required timescales	100%	97.3%	100%		
NI 68 Percentage of referrals to children's social care going on to initial assessment	78.7%	94.6%	88%		
NI 70 Hospital admissions caused by unintentional and deliberate injuries to children and young people	160.7				
NI 71 Children who have run away from home/care overnight		10			
LI Sure Start percentage of children reached in Brixham & Paignton					
LI Sure Start percentage of children reached in Torquay					
LI TellUs survey – how safe do you feel?					
NI 69 Children who have experienced bullying		55.9%	52%		
NI 19 Rate of proven re-offending by young offenders aged 10 – 17		0.56			
NI 45 Young offenders engaged in suitable education, training or employment		75.9%	80%		
NI 111 First time entrants to the Youth Justice system aged 10 -17	2301	1529	2098		
LI (LAA) The proportion of young offenders who re-offend		19.8%	18%		
NI 50 Emotional health of children		66.5%	68%		
NI 54 Services for disabled children					
NI 58 Emotional and behavioural health of looked after children	17	17	18		
LI (LAA) The number of young people aged 13-19 gaining an accredited outcome	428	539	625		
NI 111 First time entrants to Youth Justice System aged 10–17	2301	1529	2098		
NI 114 Rate of permanent exclusions from school		0.02%			
NI 115 Substance misuse by young people		13.3%			
Monitoring Group					
Activity 3.1 Further strengthening child protection practice and provision in Torbay to ensure effective identification of children and young people at risk				Lead	
Progress					
Activity 3.2 Develop effective early interventions and preventative strategies to support families				Lead	
Progress					
Activity 3.3 Reduce the harm caused to children and young people by domestic violence and abuse				Lead	
Progress					

Activity 3.4 Keeping children and young people safe from injury	Lead
Progress	
Activity 3.5 Develop quality assurance through file audit and improvements in management practice	Lead
Progress	
Activity 3.6 Reduce incidents of bullying	Lead
Progress	
Activity 3.7 Continued improvement of services towards the Core Offer standards of Aiming High for Disabled Children	Lead
Progress	
Activity 3.8 To meet the Full Service Offer for short breaks services as defined by Aiming High for Disabled Children	Lead
Progress	
Activity 3.9 Improved support to disabled young people in transition to adulthood	Lead
Progress	
Activity 3.10 Reduce young people's fear of crime	Lead
Progress	
Activity 3.11 Lower the rate of youth offending and re-offending	Lead
Progress	
Activity 3.12 Embedding learning from SCR Implementation of new performance framework Quality assurance of practice and continued drive for improvement in practice 3 rd sector focused opportunities addressing safeguarding	Lead

Safeguarding

Torbay Safeguarding Children Board (TSCB), in advance of Lord Laming’s recent report, commissioned an independent review of the effectiveness of our multi-agency children’s safeguarding arrangements. This has reviewed our policies and procedures, assessed the quality of professional practice and examined leadership and governance arrangements

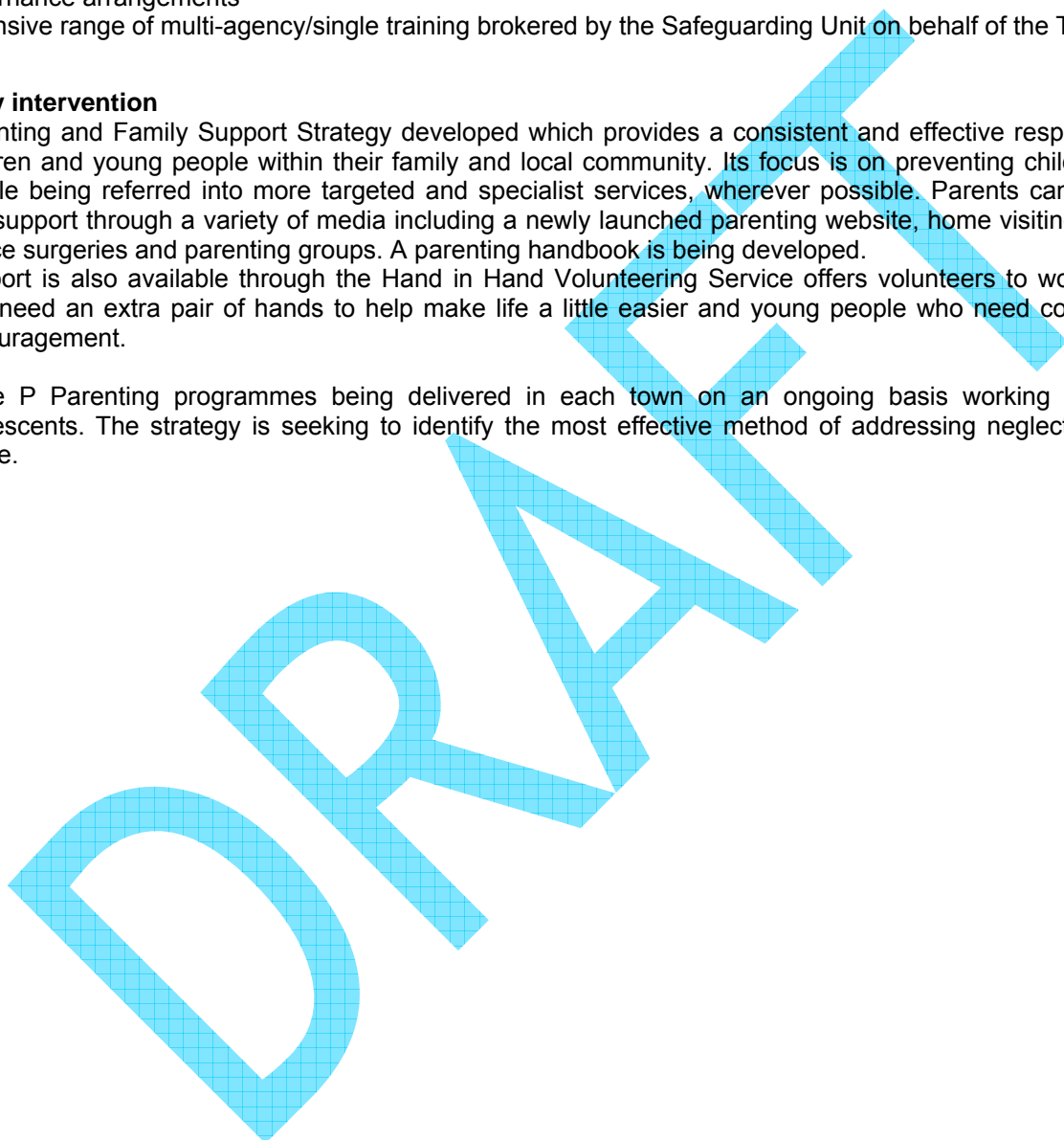
Extensive range of multi-agency/single training brokered by the Safeguarding Unit on behalf of the TSCB.

Early intervention

Parenting and Family Support Strategy developed which provides a consistent and effective response to support children and young people within their family and local community. Its focus is on preventing children and young people being referred into more targeted and specialist services, wherever possible. Parents can access advice and support through a variety of media including a newly launched parenting website, home visiting, school based advice surgeries and parenting groups. A parenting handbook is being developed.

Support is also available through the Hand in Hand Volunteering Service offers volunteers to work with families who need an extra pair of hands to help make life a little easier and young people who need companionship or encouragement.

Triple P Parenting programmes being delivered in each town on an ongoing basis working with parents of adolescents. The strategy is seeking to identify the most effective method of addressing neglect and emotional abuse.



Every Child Matters (ECM) outcome – Enjoy & achieve

Priority 4

Raise attainment at all stages of education

Community Plan and Local Area Agreement priority – Learning and skills for the future

Evidence

In Early Years, significantly more children are meeting their early learning goals. Since 2005 there has been a 10% rise in the number of children attaining 78+ points on the Foundation stage tests. This increase is well above statistical neighbour and national levels of improvement. The gap has narrowed by 7% between the 20% lowest performers and the rest over the last 3 years. Children in the most deprived super-output areas are improving at a greater rate than the rest, which is evidence of the effective targeting and positive impact of early years settings and Children's Centres.

At the end of Key Stage 1 the provisional results for 2009 for pupils achieving Level 2 or above are in line with the figure for England but below for those achieving Level 3 or above. The average point score is below the figure for the South West and England.

In 2008 Key Stage 2 results, although improving, remain below those nationally. The provisional results for 2009 show some further improvement in English and maths but continue to be below those for the South West and England. 70% (67% of boys & 70% of girls) achieved Level 4 or higher in English and Maths (cf South and England 72%)

Performance at Key Stage 3 is well above national levels in all Key Stage 3 subjects, and especially English. Key Stage 4 performance is at national levels with more pupils gaining five or more grades A* to C including English and mathematics than the national average. The proportion of pupils leaving school with no qualifications has declined.


2009 provisional results 5+A*-C including Maths & English 53.06%, 5+A*-C 66.43% of England 67.1%

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4.8% of 16-18 year olds not in education, employment or training (NEET) (2008) (England 6.7% and South West 5.7%)

Achievement of a level 2 qualification by the age of 19 2006/7 69.9% 2007/8 72.2% (2008/9 target 74.6% 2009/10 target 76.5%)

Performance Measures	2007/08	2008/09	2009/10 (provisional)	2010/11 (target)	2012/13 (target)
NI 72 Achievement of at least 78 points across the Early Years Foundation Stage with at least 6 in each of the scales in Personal Social and Emotional Development and Communication, Language and Literacy	42%	48.9%			
NI 73 Achievement at level 4 or above in both English and Maths at Key Stage 2	68%	69%	70%		
LI (LAA) Percentage of children who achieve Level 4+ in English at Key Stage 2	78%	79%			
NI 75 Achievement of 5 or more A*-C grades at GCSE or equivalent including English and Maths	50.6%	48.1%	53.06%		
LI (LAA) Average points score at Key Stage 4	383.7	389.4			
NI 76 Reduction in number of schools where fewer than 65% of pupils achieve level 4 or above in both English and Maths at KS2					
NI 78 Reduction in number of schools where fewer than 30% of pupils achieve 5 or more A*-C grades at GCSE and equivalent including GCSEs in English and Maths	2	2	0		
NI 84 Achievement of 2 or more A*-C grades in Science GCSEs or equivalent	48.7%	55.3%			
NI 85 Post-16 participation in physical sciences (A Level Physics, Chemistry and Maths)	88, 118 & 135				
NI 86 Secondary schools judged as having good or outstanding standards of behaviour		38%			
NI 87 Secondary school persistent absence					

rate					
NI 88 Percentage of schools providing access to extended services	95%	95%			
NI 89 Reduction in number of schools judged as requiring special measures and improvement in time taken to come out of the category	1	1	0		
NI 92 Narrowing the gap between the lowest achieving 20% in the Early Years Foundation Stage Profile and the rest	31.1%	30.2%	28%		
NI 93 Progression by 2 levels in English between Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2	79.9%	81.6%	85% (target)		
NI 94 Progression by 2 levels in Maths between Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2	78.4%	81.2%	85% (target)		
NI 99 Looked after children reaching level 4 in English at Key Stage 2	20%	58.3%			
NI 100 Looked after children reaching level 4 in Maths at Key Stage 2	20%	33.3%			
NI 101 Looked after children achieving 5 A*-C GCSEs (or equivalent) at Key Stage 4 (including English and Maths)	0%	0%			
NI 102 Achievement gap between pupils eligible for free school meals and their peers achieving the expected level at Key Stage 2		6.4%			
NI 102 Achievement gap between pupils eligible for free school meals and their peers achieving the expected level at Key Stage 4		29.6%			
NI 103 Special Educational Needs – statements issued within 26 weeks excluding exceptions & with exceptions	92% & 83%	99% & 99%	92% & 83%		
NI 104 The Special Educational Needs (SEN)/non-SEN gap – achieving Key Stage 2 English and Maths threshold		23%			
NI 105 The Special Educational Needs (SEN)/non-SEN gap – achieving 5 A*-C GCSEs including English and Maths		46.1%			
NI 106 Young people from low income backgrounds progressing to higher education					
NI 107 Key Stage 2 attainment for Black and minority ethnic groups		0%			
NI 108 Key Stage 4 attainment for Black and minority ethnic groups		0%			
NI 109 Number of Sure Start Children’s Centres		88%	88%		
NI 79 Achievement of a Level 2 qualification by the age of 19	72%				
NI 80 Achievement of a Level 3 qualification by the age of 19	45%				
NI 81 Inequality gap in the achievement of a Level 3 qualification by the age of 19	34%				
NI 82 Inequality gap in the achievement of a Level 2 qualification by the age of 19	22%				
NI 90 Take up of 14-19 learning diplomas	98				
LI Completion of 14 – 19 learning diplomas					
NI 91 Participation of 17 year-olds in education or training		83%			
NI 117 16 to 18 year olds who are not in education, employment or training (NEET) (also an LAA indicator)	4.7%	4.8%	4.5%		
Monitoring Group					
Activity 4.1 Targeted intervention to schools and settings causing concern				Lead	
Progress					

Activity 4.2 Address any barriers to achievement, especially for children and young people in care and those with complex needs so, as to enable them to achieve more in line with their peers	Lead								
Progress									
Activity 4.3 Particular focus on English and transition between Foundation Stage and Primary/KS1 More robust target setting by SIPs, termly and set against individual pupil data. Renewed CPD programme for teachers Improve school leadership in primary sector National Challenge schools Support to vulnerable pupils to secure their educational progress within a wider integrated Children's Services offer Provide proactive support to development of National Challenge Trust at TCC as required Continue to work with Torquay Community College and engage with development of the Trust Delivery of SIP into 2 Gaining Ground Secondary schools – (Westland and Cuthbert Mayne)	Lead								
Progress									
Activity 4.4	Lead								
Progress									

**Enjoying & achieving
Early Years**

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Children's Centres contribute to the focus on early learning skills and play to encourage parental understanding of child development and for children to be prepared to enjoy and learn in school

LA will co-ordinate the use of one-to-one tuition funding to raise attainment for those pupils who have fallen behind or are in danger of falling behind in En & Ma at KS2 & KS3.

Targeted support being given by LA to improve attainment and progress of KS3 and KS4 students.

Continued focus on improving the climate for learning through SEAL, ENABLE, IDP and other programmes. Standards at the end of Key Stage 1 are below those in similar councils and nationally
Performance at Key Stage 3 is well above national levels in all Key Stage 3 subjects, especially English (APA 2008 strength).

Key Stage 4 performance is at national levels with more pupils gaining five or more grades A* to C including English and mathematics than the national average. The proportion of pupils leaving school with no qualifications has declined due to more relevant vocational courses being provided (APA 2008 strength). Improved tracking of individual pupil performance is helping identify where further help is needed to raise attainment (APA 2008 strength). Performance at A Level in schools is amongst best in country (APA 2008 strength).

The LA will support Primary schools by further refining our successful targeted support and Improving Schools programmes as well as further developing the teaching and learning consultant 'residencies' in schools. We will more actively support the Learning Networks and ensure the sharing and celebration of success. The SEAL and ENABLE projects will further expand ensuring that 'conditions for learning' and emotional wellbeing are uppermost on our agenda for support to schools.

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Every Child Matters (ECM) outcome – Enjoy & achieve

Priority 5

Improve attendance and behaviour at education settings

Community Plan and Local Area Agreement priority – Learning and skills for the future

Evidence

2007/8 total absence rates – 5.52% (Primary) & 8.2% (Secondary). Despite recent signs of improvement these are higher than the South West & English average rates.

Autumn 2008 total absence 6.11% (Primary) & 7.94% (Secondary) cf South West 5.28% & 7% and England 5.61% & 7.31% respectively)

Spring 2009 total absence – 6.07% (Primary) & 7.69% (Secondary) cf South West 5.29% & 6.99% and England 5.28% & 7.15% respectively)

14 permanent exclusions in 2007/8 compared with 30 in the previous school year. Across all phases, fixed term exclusions – 824 in 2007/8 compared with 1086 in 2006/7. The numbers of days lost to exclusions was down by about 50% across all phases.

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Performance Measures	2007/08	2008/09	2009/10	2010/11 (target)	2012/13 (target)
NI 87 Secondary school persistent absence rate	8.2%				
Primary school persistent absence rate	5.52%				
NI 86 Secondary schools judged as having good or outstanding standards of behaviour		38%			
LI TellUs survey - percentage of children and young people said they enjoy school either always or most of the time	60%	54%			

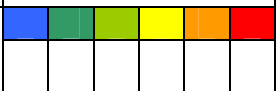
Monitoring Group

Activity 5.1

Implementation of fast track and impact of prosecutions

Lead

Progress

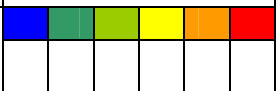


Activity 5.2

Monitoring and implementation of new strategy and secondary school contracts including better early identification of pupils beginning to cause concern.

Lead

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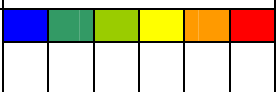


Activity 5.3

Pathway Plan escalator of statutory interventions.

Lead

Progress



Activity 5.4

Development of parenting contracts.

Lead

Progress



Activity 5.5 Thresholds for prosecution	Lead					
Progress						

Young people and crime

Good engagement of young offenders in education, employment and training. The rate has been consistently higher than statistical neighbours and the national average over the 2006-2007 two year period (APA 2008 strength).

A good Youth Offending Service, impacting on the number of young people reoffending which is lower than that found in statistical neighbours and nationally.

The number of young people entering the youth justice system has dropped by 39% over the last year (APA 2008 strength).

A higher percentage of care leavers aged 19 were in education, employment or training in 2007/08 compared to other councils and compared to local population that age (APA 2008 strength).

Working closely with employers maintain the TEARS programme (Torbay Employers Apprenticeship Reward Scheme).

Continuing to work with the LSC and South Devon College to provide 'E2E' and 'pre E2E' courses.

Attendance Strategy being implemented and Attendance Service restructured. Permanent and fixed term exclusions in 2008, when compared with the previous year, were down significantly across all phases. The numbers of days lost to exclusions was down by about 50% across all phases.

Torbay Youth Service has been successful in bidding for £285,000 to run a two year full- time volunteering programme.

Discounted Youth Bus Pass negotiated with Stagecoach to offer young people who are, or want to attend R Nite a return bus journey from anywhere in the Bay for £1.

Planning and consultation with young people and residents I under way for youth centre provision in Victoria Park Paignton.

Games Bus, Youth Van, Youth Inclusion Project and more opportunities during weekends and evenings are all aimed at reducing anti-social behaviour

Complete the embedding of the Targeted Youth Support.

Increase the range of positive activities.

Increased used of TYS and Positive activities for CLA.

Deliver Restorative Approaches training to Foster Carers

Continue use of diverting from prosecution procedures where appropriate

Council target now to create 10 apprenticeship opportunities each a year

Embed training and tools that equip the Youth council to be more politically effective.

Deliver a FIT volunteering programme for 15 young people per year over two years.

Complete one modular youth centre in Paignton.

Develop a provision for young men who are perpetrating domestic violence.

Every Child Matters (ECM) outcome – Achieve economic well-being

Priority 6

Reduce the number of children and young people living in poverty

Community Plan and Local Area Agreement priority - The New Economy

Evidence

Index of multiple deprivation (2007) 2 wards ranked in top 10%, 4 in 10%+ to 20%, 4 in 20%+ to 30%, 3 in 30%+ to 40%, 1 40%+ to 50% and 1 60%+ to 70%

% of pupils taking free school meals (2008) 11.1% (England 11.8% & South West 7.7%)

Torbay's economy continues to face significant pressures, while unemployment is low it remains the highest in the Region and Torbay's share of unemployment across the region has grown from 3.93% in 2000 to 4.8% in March 2009.

Gross Value Added per head is 63% of the English average. This is the lowest in the south west region and 6th lowest in England.

Earnings are noticeably lower than the national figure, with the mean gross pay for residents only being 78% of the national figure.

House prices are 9.45 times average earnings.

Second residence/holiday accommodation (2001) – vacant with no residents 2% (England 0.6% & South West 1.8%)

Income deprivation affecting children (2007) 1 ward ranked in top 10%, 4 in 10%+ to 20%, 3 in 20%+ to 30%, 6 in 30%+ to 40% and 1 40%+ to 50%.

In January 2009 18.57% of primary pupils were eligible for free school meals. Take-up was 15.26%. The figures for secondary pupils were 11.8% and 9.3% respectively. In January 2008 17.2% of primary pupils were eligible for free school meals. Take-up was 14.6%. The figures for secondary pupils were 11.4% and 7.9% respectively

NI 147 Care leavers in suitable accommodation - The 2008/09 outturn was 93.3% (100% for the 2007/08 and 2006/07)

Number of affordable homes delivered (NI 155) - performance in 2008/9 of 119 was well below the target of 150. Performance in 2007/8 of 149 was in line with the target of 145.

TellUs3 - in 2007/8 36.8% of children and young people were satisfied with parks and play areas (England 44.8%)

TellUs3 in the last year 55% had given their time to help a charity, a local voluntary group, a neighbour or someone else in the local area (England 61%)

NI 110 Young people's participation in positive activities – the number of young people aged 13 – 19 gaining an accredited outcome used as a proxy indicator. Performance in 2008/9 of 539 was above the target of 492.

2006 General User Satisfaction survey

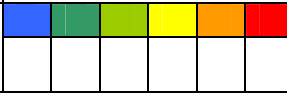

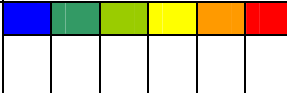
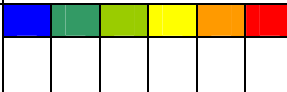
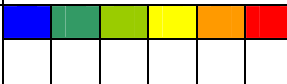
59% of people (cf England 47.7%) believe people not treating other people with respect and consideration is a fairly or very big problem

Public perception of vandalism, graffiti and other deliberate damage to property or vehicles being a fairly or very big problem 45% of people (cf England 38.5%)

Public perception people using or dealing drugs being a fairly or very big problem 64% of people (cf England 43%)

73% of people (cf England 61.7%) believe that parents not being made to take responsibility for the behaviour of their children is a fairly or very big problem

Performance Measures	2007/08	2008/09	2009/10 (target)	2010/11 (target)	2012/13 (target)
NI 116 Proportion of children in poverty					
NI 118 Take up of formal childcare by low-income working families	18%		17%		
NI 147 Care leavers in suitable accommodation	100%	93.3%	95%		
NI 148 Care leavers in education, employment or training	83.3%	93.3%	84%		
LI Take up of free school meals (Primary)	84.9%	82.2%			
LI Take up of free school meals (Secondary)	69.3%	78.8%			

<p>NI 117 16 to 18 year olds who are not in education, employment or training (NEET) (also an LAA indicator)</p> <p>NI 118 Take up of formal childcare by low-income working families</p> <p>LI TellUs survey – your future plans data (i) get a job at 16, (ii) study & get a job at 18 or (iii) study & go to university</p> <p>NI 57 Children and young people’s participation in high quality PE and sport</p> <p>Ni 88 Percentage of schools providing access to extended services</p> <p>NI 199 Children and young people’s satisfaction with parks and play areas</p> <p>LI TellUs – your free time data</p> <p>NI 110 Young people’s participation in positive activities</p>	<p>4.7%</p> <p>18%</p> <p>19%, 14% & 45%</p> <p>95%</p>	<p>4.8%</p> <p>15%, 25% & 46%</p> <p>80%</p> <p>95%</p> <p>37%</p> <p>539</p>	<p>4.5%</p>		
Monitoring Group					
<p>Activity 6.1 Regeneration of the Torbay economy so that significantly fewer children and young people live in poverty and all children and young people live in decent housing</p>				<p>Lead Torbay Development Agency</p>	
Progress					
<p>Activity 6.2 Improve the opportunities and support for all care leavers (transition to adulthood)</p>				<p>Lead</p>	
Progress					
<p>Activity 6.3 Develop a Child Poverty Strategy in consultation with local partners</p> <p>Assessment to include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An assessment of levels of child poverty in Torbay, including low income, material deprivation and outcome levels at a county, area and locality level; • A review of existing action and targeted resources, and its impact; • The development of local indicators and targets; • Collaboration with local partners to develop a coherent strategy and detailed action plan. 				<p>Lead</p>	
Progress					
<p>Activity 6.4 Provide high quality modern recreation, play and youth facilities that are accessible to all children and young people</p>				<p>Lead</p>	
Progress					
<p>Activity 6.5 Increase the take-up of culture, leisure, play, sport activities by children and young people</p>				<p>Lead</p>	
Progress					

Activity 6.6 Further improve the provision of out of hours activities for children and young people	Lead										
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Activity 6.7 Further improving the range of provision of positive activities for children, young people and their families	Lead										
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Activity 6.8 More children and young people participating in positive activities, including volunteering	Lead										
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Activity 6.9
<p>Assess the local child poverty situation and agree a baseline</p> <p>Assess the current level of activity within the four building blocks education, health, family support, housing, neighbourhoods, financial support, employment and adult skills.</p> <p>Assess the current basket of indicators within the LAA or other strategic plans and the impact on child poverty</p> <p>Increase take up of FSM and council wide approach to the implementation of neighbourhood management pathfinder area (Hele)</p>