

# Children & Young People's Plan 2008-2011

## PART 2: Summary of Planned Activity



Sustainable Community Strategy Theme: Healthy Darlington  
CYPP Priority: Promote positive health and well being

We will:	Our top Actions are:	Source Strategy/Action plan	Timescale/By	NIS	Lead Officer /Agency
Promote healthy Schools	Implement Healthy School Status Criteria	Healthy Schools Programme Business Plans 2008-09 and 2009-2010	2010	50 52 55 56 57 69 110 112 113 114 115	Wendy Bagnall/ Gill Walker
Tackle obesity in children and young people	To review and implement the childhood obesity strategy	Obesity Strategy	Ongoing	55 56 57	Sue Hoar-Leather
Tackle health inequalities, targeting binge drinking and drug and alcohol misuse	To appoint a YP Alcohol Support Worker	Community Safety Delivery Plans/Alcohol Strategy	Sept 08	38 39	Kate Martin
	To devise & implement alcohol strategy based on Safe, Sensible & Social	Alcohol Strategy (LSP)	March 09	40 41 42	
	To deliver Alcohol Awareness Campaigns including: specific schools events; roadshows; posters; leaflets & advertising aimed at young people	Community Safety Delivery programme to March 09	12 month	115	

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Tackle health inequalities, targeting binge drinking and drug and alcohol misuse	To deliver FRANK & Community (drug specific)	Young People's Treatment Plan	Rolling programme to March 09		Kate Martin
	The appointment of Young People & Community Development post to DAAT Strategy Unit to embed children and young people's agenda and deliver Young People's Treatment Plan 2009	Drug and Alcohol Action Team Unit Development	March 2009		
	To employ a YOS Substance Misuse Worker for triage/ intervention & through care	Drug and Alcohol Action Team Unit	April 08		
	To carry out a Social Norms Survey. Electronic Questionnaire used in schools to track young people's perception of trends/levels of substance misuse	Young People's Substance Misuse Treatment Plan	Ongoing		
	To increase availability of Tier 1 and 2 intervention and raise awareness of this provision. Develop provision within existing universal services and ensure appropriate training is provided. Ensure screening through CAF and develop referral pathways for all services		March 2009		
	To quantify groups with unmet tier 3 and 4 need and target resources towards them		March 2009		

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Improve oral health	Implement the oral health strategy	Oral Health Strategy	Ongoing		Ken Ross
Reduce teenage pregnancy	To continue to develop and support outreach and mainstream young person focused contraception and sexual health service	Teenage pregnancy Action Plan 2008-10	2010	112 113	Donna Thorne
	To strengthen Sex & relationship education: • Educational & non-educational settings for all children, young people and young parents • Target 'at risk' groups • Parents /carers	Teenage Pregnancy Action Plan 2008-10	2010	112 113	Donna Thorne
	Workforce development and induction To thread Delay and Raising Aspirations throughout all actions	Healthy Schools Programme Business Plan 2008-09			Wendy Bagnall/ Gill Walker
Promote positive mental health and emotional well being	Continue to develop CAMHS at tiers 1 and 2 in line with NSF targets	Multi-agency CAMHS Strategy	2010	50	Lucy Wheatley
	Ensure all schools work within the CAMHS referral pathway for schools		2008	51 58	
	Continue to roll out foundation training		Ongoing		
	Ensure that specialist CAMHS are able to meet all proxy indicators and deliver a comprehensive CAMH service, as defined in the NSF	Multi-agency CAMHS Strategy CYP NSF	2009		Jo Dawson
	Develop emotional well being strategy		2009		Jenni Cooke

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Improve uptake of ante-natal and post natal service	<p>To continue, and develop Health Visiting antenatal contact through:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Contact being made by the health visitor in clinic or at home during the Antenatal period. This is an opportunity to reinforce the message given by the midwife to promote health and wellbeing of pregnant women and their families in relation to tackling the inequalities in health in County Durham and Darlington.</li> <li>• The aim is to establish a health partnership between parents and the health visiting team and to commence the assessment of child and family needs for completion by the child's first birthday.</li> </ul>	Health visiting/School Nursing pathway for the promotion of Child and Family Health in County Durham and Darlington	Ongoing Service Provision	53 120 126	Angela Davidson

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<p>Improve uptake of ante natal and post natal service</p>	<p>To continue to develop the Health Visiting post natal service through:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Home visits by the health visitor to assess the child and family health needs, including identification of mental health needs. The postnatal visit will be agreed within 4 weeks of the baby's birth. This will preferably take place between 10-15 days except in exceptional circumstances.</li> <li>• The health visitor will agree and plan in partnership with the family the pathway of care, using an integrated approach and build on the health needs assessment begun in the antenatal period, reviewing the care plan and agreeing further targeted interventions Further contacts at 4-8 weeks, 12-18 weeks and 7-13 months, additional contacts to this programme negotiated with families to address identified needs</li> </ul>	<p>Health visiting/School Nursing pathway for the promotion of Child and Family Health in County Durham and Darlington</p>	<p>Ongoing Service Provision</p>	<p>53 120 126</p>	<p>Angela Davidson</p>

Sustainable Community Strategy Theme: Safer Darlington  
CYPP Priority: Ensure the safety of children and young people

We will:	Our top Actions are:	Source Strategy/Action plan	Timescale/By	NIS	Lead Officer /Agency
Promote awareness of accident prevention and road safety	To ensure that school pupils in Darlington have the opportunity to make a safe, healthy, affordable and enjoyable journey to school with the minimum practicable impact on the local environment. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All schools (45) to have a School Travel Plan by 2010.</li> <li>• % of journeys to school by car reduced to 23.5% by 2011</li> </ul>	Local Transport Plan – School Travel Plan Strategy	2011	198	Nick Butler
	To implement a wide range of initiatives focussed on areas of most risk, which are identified through accident statistics and partnership working with local communities.	Local Transport Plan - Travel Safety Strategy	2010	47 48	Dave Winstanley
	To achieve the national targets for casualty reduction by 2010:- <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A 40% reduction in the number of people killed or seriously injured.</li> <li>• A 50% reduction in the number of children killed or seriously injured.</li> <li>• A 10% reduction in number of slight casualties.</li> </ul>				
	To achieve a local target for casualty reduction by 2010:- <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A 10% reduction in number of slight child casualties. (child = under 16 years old)</li> </ul>				

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We will:	Our top Actions are:	Source Strategy/Action plan	Timescale/By	NIS	Lead Officer /Agency
Ensure the stability and safety of Looked After Children	<p>To audit placement moves of LAC and analyse the reasons and trends for such moves</p> <p>To develop recruitment /marketing strategy for foster carer recruitment</p> <p>To support families and carers in providing a stable safe secure environment</p>	Children's Services Departmental Service Plan	March 2009	61 66 62 63	Jenni Cooke
Help children, young people and adults to develop positive relationships and not to bully	<p>To develop a youth participation strategy, to gather direct feedback from children and young people</p> <p>To develop current guidance in light of any feedback made during the 3 month consultation</p> <p>To arrange training sessions for professionals to be incorporated into the Safeguarding Board's training programme for 2008-2009.</p> <p>To develop wider awareness raising programme with schools and agencies re: Sentinel programme.</p> <p>To develop alongside the Local Safeguarding Children Board, a local professionals' network, to share good practice on a range of safeguarding issues including bullying.</p>	Tackling Bullying in Darlington	March 2009	69	Odette Sanderson

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Help children, young people and adults to develop positive relationships and not to bully	To establish a task group to develop a communications strategy and to plan and maintain oversight of events during anti-bullying week, across agencies and settings.  Identified need for co-ordinator post to drive forward the anti bullying action plan	Tackling Bullying in Darlington	March 2009	69	Odette Sanderson
Reduce the exposure of children and young people to the prevalence of domestic abuse and repeat abuse	Develop the Multi-Agency Risk Assessment conference (MARAC) Framework  Develop the role of Tier 1 & 2 in delivering domestic abuse support/interventions  Continue to rollout the Sanctuary Scheme and evaluate its effectiveness	Crime and Disorder Reduction Partnership Plan	June 2008   July 2008	70	Joy Easterby
Reassure young people and improve perceptions of anti social behaviour	Integrate Neighbourhood Policing into local schools adopting the key principles of Safer Schools partnerships  Maximise the use of enforcement interventions where appropriate, including ASBOs, Injunctions and Fixed Penalty Notices, parenting Orders to tackle ASB and Environmental Crime  Improve engagement with diverse groups to ensure they have the opportunity to inform, influence and shape service delivery	Crime and Disorder Reduction Partnership Plan	Sept 2008  Ongoing  July 2008	41 42	Rob Jones

## Sustainable Community Strategy Theme: Aspiring Darlington

CYPP Priority: Ensure children and young people to aspire, to have fun and maximise their full potential through learning

We will:	Our top Actions are:	Source Strategy/Action plan	Timescale/By	NIS	Lead Officer /Agency
<p>Ensure all children receive high quality teaching learning, improving academic progress and reducing the disparity in performance between schools phases and vulnerable groups as highlighted</p> <p>Sustainable Community Strategy Work Strand 1</p>	To establish a Darlington school leadership college	Children's Services Departmental Service Plan	June 2008	73	Andy Dunn
	For Governing bodies to carry out self review programme, so identifying CPD		Review Sept 2008	74 75 76 77 78	
	To further develop SIP and Lead Officer intervention to ensure Darlington Schools Ofsted reports are largely good and outstanding		Review Sept 2008	84 89 93 94 95	
	To develop the Foundation Stage strategy		Sept 2008	96 97	
	To link the best performing schools with those in need of improvement to ensure that skills are transferred		Sept 2008	98	
Reduce absence	<p>Reduce the number of persistent absentees through better targeting and bespoke action planning</p> <p>To work with parents and settings to improve the support for school attendance</p>	Children's Services Departmental Service Plan	March 2009	69 86 87 89 111 114	Gill Walker

We will:	Our top Actions are:	Source Strategy/Action plan	Timescale/By	NIS	Lead Officer /Agency
Reduce exclusion rates	<p>To ensure full compliance with 6 day rule</p> <p>To progress KS4 Engagement programme. To further embed SEAL project in Primary schools and extend further to secondary schools</p> <p>To improve the rate of reintegration and support provided for permanently excluded pupils</p> <p>To establish Behaviour and Attendance network for primary schools and continue to support secondary school network</p>	Children's Services Departmental Service Plan	March 2009	69 86 87 89 111 114	Andy Dunn

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We will:	Our top Actions are:	Source Strategy/Action plan	Timescale/By	NIS	Lead Officer /Agency
Improve transitions across setting phases and services especially for vulnerable groups  Sustainable Community Strategy Work Strand 2	To implement the findings Transition Commission.  Data arrangements in place for schools by Sept 2008 to include establishing a transition model:- <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Establish a transition model for all schools, informed by existing good practice in Darlington (SCS)</li> <li>• Ensure that children in year 6 spend at least a week in secondary school during the second half of the summer term (SCS)</li> <li>• Work with Community Services and Health to improve the transition to Adult Services for young people with LDD</li> <li>• Ensuring smooth transitions through use of CAF</li> </ul>	Children's Services Departmental Service Plan	September 2008	72 92 93	Andy Dunn
			March 2009	94 95 96 97 98	
Ensure the sufficiency of high quality childcare	To increase number of sustainable quality, inclusive school age childcare places (breakfast, after school & holiday) to achieve sufficiency  To review location of vacancies/ waiting lists in existing provision for school age children  Improve inclusive practice in childcare settings	Early Years & Childcare Strategy & Action Plan 2008-11	March 2009	109 88	Lynne Henderson/ Gill Walker
			March 2008 Ongoing		
			May 2009		

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We will:	Our top Actions are:	Source Strategy/Action plan	Timescale/By	NIS	Lead Officer /Agency
Provide high quality learning environments	To provide new or substantially refurbished secondary schools throughout the Borough	Capital Strategy (Primary Capital Strategy, Building Schools for the Future)	2012		George McQueen
	To implement our Primary capital strategy to provide suitable learning spaces		2009		
	To carefully manage, in partnership with Governors, Devolved formula Capital	Capital Strategy	Ongoing		
	To pursue pathfinder capital to build/expand our experience in sustainable/carbon-neutral building developments		2009		
Improve opportunities for play and play provision	To develop closer links with leisure services to support delivery of play strategy	Children's Services Partnerships Service Plan	July 2008		Gill Walker
	To develop a comprehensive youth offer and ensure this is available within service directory - ensure details are refreshed as appropriate.		July 2008		
Extend opportunities and access to cultural, sports and formal/informal youth activities	To develop and deliver a wide range of initiatives across all YS areas.	Youth Service Plan	From April 08	110	Mike Crawshaw Mervyn Bell
	To ensure that there is a programme in place for key school holiday periods.		Easter 08 and Ongoing	110	
	To extend range and scope of programmes and activity at weekend periods		July 08	110	

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We will:	Our top Actions are:	Source Strategy/Action plan	Timescale/By	NIS	Lead Officer /Agency
Extend opportunities and access to cultural, sports and formal/informal youth activities	To deliver the play project 'Fun on Wheels'.	Play Strategy	Oct 08	110	Mike Crawshaw Mervyn Bell
	To make The Dosh funds widely available to groups of young people.	Youth Service Plan	From Apr 08	110	
	To submit an application to 'myplace' to extend youth facilities.	Aiming High Strategy	Sept 08	110	
	To continue with the Youth Offer Stakeholder sessions to extend provision across all sectors.	Youth Service Plan	May 08	110	
	To respond to the needs/wants of young people as expressed through the Click website and on-going dialogue/consultation.	Youth Service Plan	From June 08 and Ongoing	110	
	Develop and implement a children and young peoples disability strategy			March 2009	Jenni Cooke
Maximise leisure opportunities for children and young people with additional needs	To continue delivery of Inclusive Leisure Fund Opportunities	Children with a Disability Strategy	Ongoing		Kevin Kelly
Improve and promote opportunities for volunteering	To make links with Third sector organisations to source opportunities for volunteers	eVOLution Strategic Plan SCS - Sustainable Community Strategy	Ongoing	6 7	Karen Grundy
	To develop the partnership with Darlington College and Young Enterprise Group		Ongoing		
	To recruit and support and refer young volunteers drawn from the local community to Third Sector organisations		April 2009		

Sustainable Community Strategy Theme: Greener Darlington (aspects)

CYPP Priority: Enable children and young people to contribute to their community and environment

We will:	Our top Actions are:	Source Strategy/Action plan	Timescale/By	NIS	Lead Officer /Agency
Increase engagement of children, young people their families and carers in the design and delivery of services  Sustainable Community Strategy Work Strand 3	To review and revise the Consultation Engagement Strategy, including systems for engaging and involving those with disabilities	Consultation & Engagement Strategy	Apr 08		Mervyn Bell
	To submit the revised strategy to Children's Trust.		May 08 (prov)		
	To develop and implement an agreed cross Department/sector action plan		May 08		
	To maintain 'What's Changed' logs to monitor impact of engagement on service design.		June 08 and Ongoing		
Reducing offending	To work with partners to increase protective factors for young offenders including access to education/training and employment, suitable accommodation and drug and alcohol services.  To continue to develop Restorative Justice Services including reparation and victim awareness and mediation.  To deliver against multi agency agreed Premium Service Agreements for Persistent Young Offenders (PYO) and Priority and Prolific Offenders (PPO) to ensure a robust and co-ordinated approach in work with PPOs and PYOs	Youth Offending Service Plan	Continuous	19 43 44 45 46 111	Rita Taylor

Sustainable Community Strategy Theme: Greener Darlington (aspects)

CYPP Priority: Enable children and young people to contribute to their community and environment

We will:	Our top Actions are:	Source Strategy/Action plan	Timescale/By	NIS	Lead Officer /Agency
Work with children and young people 'at risk' of offending to prevent them entering the criminal justice system (CJS)	Work with Police to introduce a Pre Reprimand option for police to identify those young people at risk of offending from entering the CJS and offering risk assessment, intervention and support by the YOS	Youth Offending Service Plan	2008	111	Rita Taylor
Reassure young people and improve perceptions of anti social behaviour	Integrate Neighbourhood Policing into local schools adopting the key principles of Safer Schools partnerships	Crime & Disorder Reduction Partnership Plan	Sept 2008	41 42	Rob Jones
	Maximise the use of enforcement interventions where appropriate, including ASBOs, Injunctions and Fixed Penalty Notices, parenting Orders to tackle ASB and Environmental Crime		Ongoing	41 42	
	Improve engagement with diverse groups to ensure they have the opportunity to inform, influence and shape service delivery		July 2008	41 42	

Sustainable Community Strategy Theme: Prosperous Darlington

CYPP Priority: Children and young people are prepared for and prosper in adult life

We will:	Our top Actions are:	Source Strategy/Action plan	Timescale/By	NIS	Lead Officer /Agency
Reduce the proportion of children living in poverty	To continue to participate in the Narrowing the Gap pilot project	Children's Services Departmental Service Plan	Pilot ends 2009	116 156	Gill Walker
Accelerate progress with all aspects of the implementation of the 14-19 strategy  Sustainable Community Strategy Work Strands 4, 5 and 8	Implement the revised 14-19 strategy agreed by 14-19 Trust	Children's Services Departmental Service Plan	From April 2008	75 78 79	Andy Dunn
	Develop protocols around cross institution delivery of 14-19 offer		March 2009	80 81 82	
	Develop further and raise awareness of borough-wide 14-19 Prospectus		December 2008	84 85 90	
	Ensure consortium plans are in place for effective delivery of 2009 Diploma offer		September 2009	91 97 98	
	NEET strategy Action plan 2008-10 implemented		2010	101 102 105 106	
	Review KS4 Engagement strategy funding Support routes into Higher Education and the development of University provision in Darlington		March 2009	108 117	
	Complete feasibility study around the development of a skills centre with a view to further development of alternative and vocational provision		July 2008		
	Access for all Y9 and T11 students to 1:1 IAG with careers qualified staff		September 2008		
	Engage with employers more effectively improve range and quality of work experience offer.		March 2009		

We will:	Our top Actions are:	Source Strategy/Action plan	Timescale/By	NIS	Lead Officer /Agency
Enhance people's skills in relation to the job market, by tackling the disparities in employment prospects and economic opportunity Darlington	To develop an Engineering Skills Project, working with approx. 6 key engineering employers within the town offering subsidised work placements to young people and some form of cash incentive to the individuals upon completion	ALL – Sustainable Community Strategy & 'Prosperous Darlington' themes	Envisaged start date start of 2008/09 academic year	74	Nik Grewer
	To develop vocational diplomas in areas including Engineering and Hospitality;		TBA		
	To continue DBC Self Development Grant scheme, aimed at removing barriers to employment or self-employment.	Ongoing – scheme already operational	Ongoing		Nik Grewer
Support aspirations through life-long learning and opportunities for personal development  Sustainable Community Strategy Work Strand 7	To increase engagement in the arts	Sustainable Community Strategy/Children's Services Departmental Service Plan	March 2009	9 11	Ruth Bernstein
	To develop community provision		March 2009		
	To increase skills provision for adults		September 2008		

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