

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Report

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Title:	Starting Well Theme Focus
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Purpose of this Report

1. The purpose of this report is to provide an update on the progress of the Starting Well priority areas of the emotional wellbeing of children in the context of Covid recovery and the rise of domestic abuse in the context of Covid recovery.
2. The report will also provide an update on the 2021 Holiday Activity and Food (HAF) programme delivered across Hampshire, and the impact of this programme on children and their families.

Recommendation(s)

That the Hampshire Health and Wellbeing Board:

3. Note the report and progress against the priority areas.

Co-Production

4. The HAF programme, including the signposting offer, was delivered by a wide range of organisations. Parental and provider feedback was sought after each period of delivery which informed the approach for the next delivery period.

REQUIRED CORPORATE AND LEGAL INFORMATION:

Links to the Strategic Plan

Hampshire maintains strong and sustainable economic growth and prosperity:	Yes
People in Hampshire live safe, healthy and independent lives:	Yes
People in Hampshire enjoy a rich and diverse environment:	No
People in Hampshire enjoy being part of strong, inclusive communities:	Yes

EQUALITIES IMPACT ASSESSMENT:

1. Equality Duty

The County Council has a duty under Section 149 of the Equality Act 2010 ('the Act') to have due regard in the exercise of its functions to the need to:

- Eliminate discrimination, harassment and victimisation and any other conduct prohibited by or under the Act with regard to the protected characteristics as set out in section 4 of the Act (age, disability, gender reassignment, marriage and civil partnership, pregnancy and maternity, race, religion or belief, sex and sexual orientation);
- Advance equality of opportunity between persons who share a relevant protected characteristic within section 149(7) of the Act (age, disability, gender reassignment, pregnancy and maternity, race, religion or belief, sex and sexual orientation) and those who do not share it;
- Foster good relations between persons who share a relevant protected characteristic within section 149(7) of the Act (see above) and persons who do not share it.

Due regard in this context involves having due regard in particular to:

- The need to remove or minimise disadvantages suffered by persons sharing a relevant protected characteristic that are connected to that characteristic;
- Take steps to meet the needs of persons sharing a relevant protected characteristic that are different from the needs of persons who do not share it;
- Encourage persons sharing a relevant protected characteristic to participate in public life or in any other activity in which participation by such persons is disproportionately low.

2. Equalities Impact Assessment:

Equalities impact assessments have been completed for individual pieces of work covered in the report.