

REPORT TO: Health & Wellbeing Board
DATE: 10th July 2019
REPORTING OFFICER: Director of Public Health
PORTFOLIO: Children, Education and Social Care
SUBJECT: Halton Family Nurse Partnership- 2018 Annual Review
WARD(S) Borough-wide

1.0 PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

1.1 A presentation will be given to Health and Wellbeing Board members on the Halton Family Nurse Partnership Annual Review.

2.0 RECOMMENDATION: That the Board note the contents of the report and presentation.

3.0 SUPPORTING INFORMATION

3.1 Family Nurse Partnership (FNP) is a voluntary home visiting programme for first-time teenage mothers mums and families. It helps them:

- Have a healthy pregnancy
- Improve their child's health and development
- Reach their goals and aspirations.

FNP is underpinned by an internationally recognised evidence base which shows it can improve health, social and educational outcomes in the short, medium and long term, while also providing positive economic returns.

3.2 The programme works with families in those critical first 1001 days, to provide a secure foundation on which to build support in the early years and beyond.

It provides expert advice and support to families to enable them to provide a secure environment to lay down the foundations for emotional resilience, good physical and mental health and support their children in reaching developmental milestones.

3.3 In Halton, the FNP programme is commissioned by Halton Borough Council as part of the 0-19 programme and is delivered by Bridgewater Community Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust.

3.4 The Health and Wellbeing Board will receive a presentation on the FNP Annual Review for 2018. This will provide an overview of the programme and achievements made during this period.

4.0 **POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

4.1 There are no direct policy implications as a result of this report, however, the Family Nurse Partnership programme directly contributes to improving the health and wellbeing of children and families in Halton, which is a key priority for Halton Borough Council and the Halton Health and Wellbeing Board.

5.0 **OTHER/FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

5.1 None

6.0 **IMPLICATIONS FOR THE COUNCIL'S PRIORITIES**

6.1 **Children & Young People in Halton**

The Family Nurse Partnership programme is intended to improve the life chances of children and families living in Halton through a programme of prevention and early intervention activity. Family Nurse Partnership also supports the safeguarding of children, through providing intensive support to vulnerable families.

6.2 **Employment, Learning & Skills in Halton**

One of the main aims of the Family Nurse Partnership is to improve parents' economic self-sufficiency, by helping them to achieve their aspirations (such as employment or returning to education) thus contributing to this priority.

6.3 **A Healthy Halton**

The Family Nurse Partnership programme directly contributes to improving the health and wellbeing of children and families in Halton

6.4 **A Safer Halton**

Reducing the incidence of crime, improving Community Safety and reducing the fear of crime have an impact on health outcomes particularly on mental health.

6.5 **Halton's Urban Renewal**

By providing information and support to children and their families the service can contribute to the wider urban renewal of Halton.

7.0 **RISK ANALYSIS**

7.1 N/A

8.0 **EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY ISSUES**

8.1 This report and the FNP Programme itself is in line with equality and diversity policy in Halton.

9.0 **LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS UNDER SECTION 100D OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972**

9.1 None