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## **Section 1 – Summary**

This report sets out the latest position on the Children and Young People's scorecard. It provides the targets and latest performance against the indicators which are monitored by Harrow's Children and Young People's Strategic Partnership.

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## **Section 2 – Report**

Performance for Children's Services in Harrow is on track. Feedback from the Ofsted's Annual Performance Assessment suggests that good progress is being made in each of the Every Child Matters outcomes. In particular, the partnership has played a critical role in achieving better health outcomes for children in the borough, with a significant improvement recognised since last year's Joint Area Review.

The Children and Young People's Strategic Partnership (CYPSP) has made good progress in devising measurements to demonstrate the collective impact of partnership work on outcomes for children. The partnership has implemented a performance monitoring system, involving the selection of

targets to meet agreed priorities, measured on scorecards and evaluated by the multi-agency monitoring sub-groups. This system allows the partnership to monitor progress on a regular basis and take any necessary remedial action where appropriate.

A full version of the partnership scorecard is attached, showing performance to September 2007. The scorecard is grouped by the five Every Child Matters outcomes;

- **Be Healthy;**
- **Stay Safe;**
- **Enjoy and Achieve;**
- **Make a Positive Contribution;**
- **Achieve Economic Wellbeing;**

and includes detailed commentary on the indicators.

Note that results from Harrow's schools are not yet finalised and will become available in quarter 3. There are very challenging targets around attainment, attendance and exclusions which are set by central government to be 'aspirational' and which may not be achieved in all cases. To put this in context, external regulators have recognised continued strong performance on the 'Enjoy and Achieve' outcome for Harrow's children and have indicated that their forthcoming judgement will reflect examples of excellent practice.

Improvements have also been achieved in the Stay Safe outcome, which includes social care indicators on child protection and looked after children. These improvements have been achieved through restructuring and stabilisation of the workforce and through targeted actions on key performance areas. It is essential that the social care workforce is resourced to achieve further improvements in 2007/8 and beyond, to ensure the welfare of Harrow's children and to move the service to the next level.

Overall, we are making steady progress towards our vision for children and young people growing up in Harrow, and continue to work with them on making it happen.

### **Section 3 – Further Information**

The DCLG has recently published a list of 200 indicators which are intended to be used in Local Area Agreement negotiations and to replace previous datasets, such as BVPIs and Performance Assessment Framework indicators. This has implications for the CYPSP, although early analysis suggests that these are likely to complement the work already done by the partnership monitoring groups, rather than result in any fundamental changes

Further analysis will be carried out once full definitions are provided by the DCLG.

### **Section 4 - Contact Details and Background Papers**

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