

Barnet Children's Partnership Board Report

Title: Life Chances Action Plan Summary Report

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1. Summary

The report provides information on work to improve the lives of children and young people in Barnet and increase their opportunities to succeed. By improving life chances, there can be a profound effect on poverty and equality enabling better outcomes. Since the last agreed action plan there has been good progress against partners' key priorities and actions taken to support children in Barnet.

The action plan focused on four key priorities and a series of actions to achieve these.

Priority 1: Strengthening families and early years

Priority 2: Developing resilience and improving education

Priority 3: Developing equal opportunities

Priority 4: Targeting support

2. Updates since last BCPB

None.

3. Impact

- Equalities and Diversity

COVID-19 pandemic and the ongoing cost of living crisis has impacted children and young people in Barnet. Significant concerns remain about how it will affect children in the short term and long term.

- Corporate Parenting

Whilst there is no direct impact on the Council's corporate parenting role of this report, it is acknowledged that the Council's role as corporate parent supports children and young people residing under its care.

4. Consultation and Engagement

Information was sought and provided by service partners.

5. Conclusion and Recommendations

The Children's Partnership Board is asked to note and comment on the report.

6. Background Papers

None.