



Details of local networks supporting VCS agencies working with children, young people and families in the North East, and local authority priorities relating to children and young people

The attached table provides information about the current status of specialised local support for VCS organisations working with children, young people and families across the North East. It includes:

- contact details for the individuals who have a key responsibility for coordinating local networks, or in areas where there is currently no such network, a key contact within the local children and young people's VCS
- information about the level of support and funding available to the local networks, which gives some indication of their current and future sustainability
- details of the functions and activities of the local networks, with specific reference to involvement in all aspects of local commissioning activity, including consultation with users, needs assessment, service planning and design, procurement, and monitoring and review

The table also contains details of priorities for services for children and young people which each local authority is working towards. This information has been added to provide VCS networks with an understanding of what the key priorities are in their area to help facilitate involvement in the commissioning process. The information is taken from 3 main sources:

- Recommendations made in recent Joint Area Review (JAR) inspections of local services for children and young people. In some areas, inspections have taken place within the last few months and reports have not yet been made public – details for these areas will be added as and when reports are published
- Priorities contained within local Joint Improvement Support Plans (JISP's). The JISP is based upon the priorities identified jointly by Government Office North East and the local authority through engagement meetings held in Autumn 2007. These priorities are in turn based on the local authority's priorities identified in Children and Young People's Plans, and areas for development highlighted in recent Annual Performance Assessment (APA) and JAR inspections. The JISP has been developed to facilitate the coordination of support to local authorities and partners by Field Forces and other regional bodies with a role to play in providing improvement support as laid out in the Field Forces: Improvement Support Protocol document, downloadable from [www.dcsf.gov.uk/localauthorities/ documents/content/09070700062007-07-12DCSFImprovementSupportProtocol.pdf](http://www.dcsf.gov.uk/localauthorities/documents/content/09070700062007-07-12DCSFImprovementSupportProtocol.pdf)
- Targeted priorities contained within the current round of Local Area Agreements (LAA's) which relate to children and young people. The priorities listed here are part of the 35 designated priorities agreed through negotiations with Government Office North East. They do not include the 16 statutory targets which relate to educational attainment

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Locality	Name of network / grouping	Key Contact	Coordination/ Support and Funding	Functions and activities, including links to local commissioning activity	JAR recommendations	JISP priorities	LAA priorities relating to children and young people and/or VCS
Northumberland	Northumberland Voluntary Youth Sector Forum	<p>Lesley Hill, Northumbria Youth, 17–19 High Market, Ashington, Northumberland, NE63 8NE</p> <p>01670 858000</p> <p>lesleyhill@northumbria youth.org.uk</p>	Coordinated by Northumbria Youth Association (voluntary agreement)	Bi-monthly meetings for all orgs working in Northumberland with young people aged 13 – 19+. Issues re development of VoiCeS network and potential confusion/ conflict. Desire to continue forum for issues specifically relating to youth work and possibly broaden to include wider work with young people	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Disseminate findings of JAR report to children and young people Develop statement of commitment to tackle issues of equality and diversity Improve quality of assessments across social care teams Include clear outcomes and in Children and Young People’s Plan to enable effective monitoring of actions on targets and priorities Maintain focus on improving attainment at Key Stage 2 and attainment of looked after children (LAC) Improve the quality of support to young people and families when transferring to adult services Ensure the 14-19 partnership plan includes actions to secure outcomes for young people with learning difficulties/disabilities (LDD) Improve access to appropriate housing and accommodation to support healthy living for young mothers and other vulnerable groups 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Addressing childhood obesity Improving sexual health Reduce waiting times for CAMHS Improve transition to adult services Improve early identification and intervention services for those with learning difficulties and disabilities (LDD) and complex mental health needs Increasing integrated care pathways Children and young people are kept safe Looked after children and LDD Out of County placements Lack of foster placements Support and training for designated teachers Preventing and reducing offending Improve achievement and standards at Key Stage 2 Narrowing the gap for vulnerable groups Reduce the number of young people over 16 who are not in Education, Employment or Training (NEET) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NI 006 – Participation in regular volunteering NI 007 – Environment for a thriving third sector NI 019 – Rate of proven re-offending by young offenders NI 053 – Prevalence of breast-feeding at 6-8 weeks from birth NI 056 – Obesity in primary school age children in Year 6 NI 057 – Children and young people’s participation in high-quality PE and sport NI 110 – Young people’s participation in positive activities NI 112 – Under 18 conception rate NI 114 – Rate of permanent exclusion from school NI 115 – Substance misuse by young people NI 117 – 16 to 18 year olds who are not in education employment or training (NEET) NI 118 – Take up of formal childcare by low-income working families
	Northumberland VoiCeS Network (1 county wide and 6 district forums)	<p>Current vacancy, but NCH continue to co-ordinate</p> <p>Northumberland Children’s Fund, Laverock Hall Business Unit, Laverock Hall Road, Blyth, Northumberland, NE24 4HE</p> <p>01670 707322</p>	<p>NCH is accountable body for Northumberland Strategic Partnership (NSP) funding, and Children’s Fund - report to Northumberland Children’s Services on Children’s Fund targets, including activity of VCS Development Officer</p> <p>Network funded until March 2009 from Northumberland Strategic Partnership Infrastructure Fund. VCS Development Officer post funded via Northumberland Children’s Fund until March 2009</p>	<p>Information exchange, networking, development support and influencing of local policy and practice. Network operates as a virtual network, with weekly email circulations of information, quarterly printed newsletter, two conference events a year and thematic meetings across the county in response to local need.</p> <p>There is a management group for the Network, which currently meets monthly. This group focuses on the development of the Network: action planning, funding, structure/governance etc.</p> <p>The Northumberland VoiCeS Ambassadors group (name to be confirmed) brings together those members of the VCS who currently have a role on behalf of the Network/CYP VCS in other settings, e.g. on FACT Board, at NSCB, at the VCS Consortium etc.</p>			

				<p>The VoiCeS Network is leading on the CWDC WSPP project in the county (NCH as accountable body), which includes the appointment of a Safeguarding Development Worker to oversee completion of the project and to provide signposting to safeguarding advice and information for the VCS and private sector. This VoiCeS Workforce Development Project has a separate steering group, involving members of the VoiCeS Management Group and others from the public and private sector.</p>			
North Tyneside	Voluntary Youth Sector Forum	<p>Lynette Faulke, North Tyneside Community Network, VODA, Shiremoor Centre, Earsdon Road, Shiremoor, NE27 0HJ</p> <p>0191 200 8561</p> <p>lynette.faulke@voda.org.uk</p>	Supported by Community Network team, including meeting room, circulation of minutes etc	<p>Monthly meetings for all VCS organisations working in North Tyneside with young people aged 13 – 19. Primarily information sharing, although also have a role in electing reps on to Locality Planning groups etc. Some capacity issues in engaging with developing Children’s Trust and various sub-groups and working groups. Also some concern about how meaningful local authority engagement is.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop the 14-19 strategy to improve participation and performance of underachieving groups at Level 3 • Revise the Children and Young People’s Plan (CYPP) to ensure the needs of all disadvantaged groups are addressed through the 6 outcomes and delivery plan • Ensure the CYPP and supporting plans include specific targets and milestones to monitor their progress effectively • Develop the contribution of elected members to corporate parenting through scrutiny and dialogue with looked after children and young people • Reduce the incidence of women who smoke during pregnancy • Develop supported progression routes into 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Give children and young people the best health start in life • Promote the well-being and engagement of children and young people as active and valued citizens • Safeguard and improve the life chances of vulnerable and disadvantaged children and young people • Develop a world class education system • Narrow the gap in educational attainment • Leading and managing the system 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NI 019 – Rates of proven re-offending by young offenders • NI 050 – Emotional health of children • NI 065 Percentage of children becoming the subject of Child Protection Plan for a second or subsequent time • NI 081 – Inequality gap in the achievement of a Level 3 qualification by the age of 19 • NI 102 – Achievement gap between pupils eligible for free school meals • NI 106 – Young people from low income backgrounds progressing to higher education • NI 110 – Young people’s participation in positive activities • NI 112 – Under 18’s conception rate • NI 116 – Proportion of children in poverty • NI 117 – 16 to 18 year

					<p>available resources to deliver improvements</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Implement the recommendations of the 14-19 area inspection through harmonisation and integration of plans for 11-19 year olds • Strengthen corporate parenting arrangements by increasing involvement of looked after children and young people in decisions about, and evaluation of, services for them • Increase the number of foster care placements for children from ethnic minorities • Work with adult social services to meet the needs of young carers and their families so that their children and young people can lead lives that are as normal as possible • Ensure that progress of all groups of pupils, including those with LDD, is reported appropriately to celebrate achievement and enable evaluation of value for money 	<p>groups</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reduce levels of persistent absence from school • Improve literacy and numeracy levels of young people – ready for employment or higher education • Reduce levels of anti-social behaviour by young people and increase participation in positive activities • Participation and progression routes for young people • Reduce child poverty and impact of child poverty and reduce the impact of deprivation on key outcomes for children and young people 	
Gateshead	Gateshead Youth Council	<p>Terry Eccles, Gateshead Youth Council, 12 Gladstone Terrace, Gateshead, NE8 4DY</p> <p>0191 490 1900</p> <p>terry.eccles@gbyoc.org.uk</p>	Essentially an umbrella organisation supporting small local organisations.	Key functions include providing a youth information service, encouraging youth participation and involvement, supporting voluntary youth organisations, and providing specialist youth services. Member of NCVYS and involved in range of local and regional strategic forums. Limited engagement with CYPSP and developing Children's Trust Board	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop clear and robust procedures for measuring value for money in all activities related to improving provision for children and young people • Ensure personal educational plans for looked after children are a significant part of their educational planning and 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Children and young people feel safe from bullying, harassment and discrimination, (including reducing the numbers of children on the Child Protection Register) • Children and young people lead healthier lifestyles (focusing on Chlamydia, breast feeding and smoking) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NI 006 – Participation in regular volunteering • NI 007 – Environment for a thriving third sector • NI 019 – Rate of proven – re-offending by young offenders • NI 056 – Obesity in primary school age children in Year 6 • NI 110 – Young people's participation in positive

	Gateshead Children and Young People Focus Group	<p>Julie Mitchell, c/o Gateshead Voluntary Organisations Council, John Haswell House, 8/9 Gladstone Terrace, Gateshead, NE8 4DY</p> <p>0191 478 4103</p> <p>juliemitchell.gnc@gvoc.org.uk</p>	Co-ordinated by Gateshead Community Network	Aims to support community and individuals' involvement in Children and Young People's Strategic Partnership and the wider Local Strategic Partnership	<p>that rates of completed plans improve</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ensure all young people leaving care are provided with sufficient choice of accommodation • Further develop the 14-19 vocational curriculum to ensure all young people have access to a range of career options • All plans clearly specify targets, timescales, accountabilities and resource implications • All financial arrangements with external partners, whether contracts or grant aid, specify the requirements of the council in such a way that delivery is capable of being monitored 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parents and Carers are better equipped to bring up and promote positive outcomes for their children • Children and young people feel safer in and have better access to better parks, open spaces, activities and things to do • Children and young people achieve high standards in education with a particular emphasis on raising the attainment of the lowest achievers • Children and young people with disabilities or additional educational needs, vulnerable children or children at risk for other reasons have access to a wide range of support services and are all enabled to achieve their potential within inclusive education 	<p>activities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NI 111 – First time entrants to the Youth Justice System aged 10-17 • NI 112 – Under 18 conception rate • NI 116 – Proportion of children in poverty • NI 117 – 16 to 18 year olds who are not in education employment or training (NEET)
South Tyneside	Currently no Community Empowerment Network (CEN) for VCS at all, since closure of STRIDE. There is no VCS network for children, young people and families, although the LSP co-ordinator is now working with CVS to try to make some progress re CEN	<p>Helen Quick, The Children's Society, Tedco Business Centre, Viking Industrial Estate, Blackett Street, Jarrow, NE32 3DT</p> <p>0191 428 3436</p> <p>heq@childsoc.org.uk</p>			JAR inspection to take place September 2008	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reducing childhood obesity and encouraging healthy lifestyles • Improving parenting skills and providing high quality preventative services to maintain children safely within their families • Encouraging citizenship and social cohesion • Improving mental and emotional health • Reduce risk taking behaviour • Increasing opportunities to participate in positive activities and recognising achievement • Developing fully inclusive and cost effective 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NI 006 – Participation in regular volunteering • NI 053 – Prevalence of breast-feeding at 6-8 weeks from birth • NI 056 – Obesity in primary school age children in Year 6 • NI 058 – Emotional and behavioural health of looked after children • NI 111 – First time entrants to the Youth Justice System aged 10-17 • NI 115 – Substance misuse by young people • NI 117 – 16 to 18 year olds who are not in education employment or training (NEET)

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Sunderland	Sunderland Voluntary Youth Sector Forum	<p>Steve Barna, Sunderland Voluntary Sector Youth Forum, Havelock Civic Buildings, Hylton Road, Sunderland, SR4 2AH</p> <p>0191 565 5144</p> <p>steve@svsyf.org.uk</p>	<p>Employs full-time coordinator plus admin support. Following commissioning process, agencies involved in SVSYF now deliver majority of local authority youth services. Heavily involved in development of Children's Trusts, Extended Schools etc</p> <p>Funding from a range of sources including ChangeUp.</p>	<p>Bi-monthly meetings for organisations involved in delivery of youth services on behalf of local authority. Engagement in strategic bodies, including Children and Young People's Strategic Partnership, developing Children's Trust arrangements, Extended Schools agenda</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ensure that assessment, child protection and children in need services in social care are working to the <i>Working together to safeguard children</i> national guidance Ensure quality assurance of files and casework is effective Ensure key performance indicator data in children's social care is accurate and fit for purpose Ensure workload management systems are effective Improve communication in relation to contact with health agencies for minority ethnic communities Improve value for money through joint commissioning of services Seek further opportunities for parents and carers of children and young people with learning difficulties/disabilities 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> We want children and young people to have healthy lifestyles To secure a good Annual Performance Assessment for safeguarding, including Children Looked After (CLA) issues Achievement and attendance, particularly of vulnerable groups Increasing the number of young people in education, employment and training Prevention of offending by young people 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NI 019 – Rate of proven re-offending by young offenders NI 050 – Emotional health of children NI 056 – Obesity in primary school age children in Year 6 NI 063 – Stability of placements of looked after children: length of placement NI 106 – Young people from low income backgrounds progressing to higher education NI 112 – Under 18 conception rate NI 116 – Proportion of children in poverty NI 117 – 16 to 18 year olds who are not in education employment or training (NEET)

					<p>(LDD) to contribute views about services</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Take action to tackle racism so young people from black and ethnic minorities feel safer in the city 		
Durham	Children, Young People and Families Community of Interest	<p>Amanda Brown, Room 3/98, County Hall, Durham, DH1 5UG</p> <p>0191 383 6533</p> <p>amanda.brown@durham.gov.uk</p>	Full time VCS support officer appointed through the C & YP services – continuation of Children’s Fund funding for backfill funding for members etc	County wide network meets quarterly to provide VCS representation on to strategic bodies including Children’s Trust Board, Local Safeguarding Children’s Board, Workforce Development steering group etc	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ensure effective dissemination of findings of JAR report to children and young people in the area Ensure children in need cases are not closed too quickly Develop joint commissioning Ensure social work assessments are of consistently high quality across all social care teams Develop a strategic approach to provide attractive education and training options for all young people aged 16-19 across the county Improve access and level of provision of therapy services across the county 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reduce childhood obesity Reduce teenage pregnancy Reduce young people’s use of alcohol Improve emotional wellbeing/ Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services (CAMHS) Reduce bullying Narrow the gap in attainment Improve places to go, things to do for teenagers Reduce the number of first time entrants to the Youth Justice system Reduce the number of young people not in education, employment and training (NEET) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NI 006 – Participation in regular volunteering NI 056 – Obesity in primary school age children in Year 6 NI 079 – Achievement of a Level 2 qualification by the age of 19 NI 110 – Young people’s participation in positive activities NI 112 – Under 18 conception rate NI 117 – 16 to 18 year olds who are not in education employment or training (NEET)
Hartlepool	Currently there is no Children, Young People and Families network, although there has been a cross sectoral youth network	<p>Dave Hopwood, West View Project, Miers Avenue, Hartlepool, TS24 9JQ</p> <p>01429 272699</p> <p>dave2hopwood@btinternet.com</p>			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Develop inter-agency guidance in relation to thresholds for referrals to children’s social care Improve the quality of provision for children and young people with behavioural, emotional and social difficulties in order to meet their needs Improve the quality of provision for pupils excluded from secondary schools and rates of reintegration into 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Parents and carers receive support to keep their children healthy Healthy lifestyles are promoted for children and young people Reducing crime and anti-social behaviour by supporting all children and young people in Hartlepool to make a positive contribution at home and in the community Children looked after stability 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NI 006 – Participation in regular volunteering NI 110 – Young people’s participation in positive activities NI 112 – Under 18 conception rate NI 116 – Proportion of children in poverty NI 117 – 16 to 18 year olds who are not in education employment or training (NEET)

					<p>mainstream schools</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Incorporate a high-level assessment of the financial implications of the Children and Young People's Plan (CYPP) when reviewed • Undertake benchmarking of costs on a systematic basis • Improve joint commissioning and contracting arrangements in relation to out of authority placements for looked after children (LAC) • Engage service users in evaluation of services they receive on a systematic basis • Improve the provision of occupational therapy and speech and language therapy services • Develop a wider range of courses for post-16 young people with learning difficulties/disabilities (LDD) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Raising educational achievement and attainment standards: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ Improve performance of boys in literacy/English across all key stages ➢ Improve performance in secondary schools, especially in English, maths and science ➢ Continue to target vulnerable children • 14 – 19 education, training and employment 	
	<p>Darlington VCS Children and Young People's Forum</p>	<p>Emma Gallagher Evolution Darlington Church Row Darlington DL1 5QD</p> <p>01325 266888</p> <p>emma.gallagher@evolutiondarlington.com</p>	<p>Secretariat support by Evolution Darlington, chaired by Exec Director.</p>	<p>Monthly meetings for all VCS organisations working with children, young people and families in Darlington for information sharing and point of reference for statutory agencies, including VCS proofing of LAA, & LSP strategies for Children and Young People, engagement with Children's Trust and contact with Tees Valley forums. Working with local authority to develop a Young Volunteers' Network.</p>	<p>JAR inspection took place March/April 2008 – report not released as of 12/8/08</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Promoting positive health and wellbeing • Improve stability of placements • Reduce the absence and exclusion rates • Reduce the disparity of performance between schools • Improve academic progress for all children and young people • Improve transition across all settings, phases and services especially for vulnerable groups • Increase the engagement 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NI 006 – Participation in regular volunteering • NI 007 – Environment for a thriving third sector • NI 050 – Emotional health of children • NI 056 – Obesity in primary school age children in Year 6 • NI 057 – Children and young people's participation in high-quality PE and sport • NI 063 – Stability of placements of looked after children: length of placement

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Stockton	Stockton Children and Young People's VCS Partnership	<p>Peter Lowe The Children's Society 27d Yarm Lane Stockton</p> <p>01642 657311 pkl@childsoc.org.uk</p>	<p>The partnership itself is self reliant with no external funding source; relying on the contributions and goodwill from its membership to retain a meaningful voice and position in Stockton.</p> <p>Links to Stockton Residents and Community Groups Association (SRCGA) who are responsible for all nomination and election processes to Strategic Boards and groups.</p> <p>Also links with Catalyst which is the local body responsible for providing infrastructure and support to VCS sector</p>	Provides quarterly meetings for VCS members and forwards regular information updates to its membership via email	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ensure dissemination of report to children and young people in the area Improve quality assurance to eliminate inconsistencies in practice and recording in some services Improve robustness of performance monitoring and challenge to secure more consistent improvement at Key Stage 3 Ensure there is a strategy to improve educational performance by children and young people from Pakistani communities Take action to reduce re-offending rates and improve links with the youth offending service to ensure looked after children (LAC) receive effective support to prevent them receiving final warnings and convictions Ensure processes are applied consistently to evaluate the effectiveness of projects and initiatives targeted 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Promoting healthy lifestyles, reducing inequalities and improving mental health Enhancing Safeguarding arrangements for children and young people with a focus on early intervention and preventative strategies Improving the life chances of looked after children by continuing to improve stability of placements Raising achievement for all, including vulnerable and hard to reach Reduce the levels of youth offending Improving the preparation of young people leaving school who access education, employment or training 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NI 053 – Prevalence of breast-feeding at 6-8 weeks from birth NI 056 – Obesity in primary school age children in Year 6 NI 063 – Stability of placements of looked after children: length of placement NI 080 – Achievement of a Level 3 qualification by the age of 19 NI 109 – Delivery of Sure Start Centre's NI 110 – Young people's participation in positive activities NI 112 – Under 18 conception rate NI 117 – 16 to 18 year olds who are not in education employment or training (NEET) NI 148 – Care leavers in education employment or training NI 198 – Children travelling to school: mode of transport usually used

					<p>at vulnerable groups</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ensure effective delivery of the children's workforce strategy 		
Middlesbrough	Middlesbrough VCS Children and Young People's Forum	<p>Mark Davis, Middlesbrough VDA, St Mary's Centre, 82-90 Corporation Road, Middlesbrough, TS1 2RW</p> <p>01642 249300</p> <p>mark.davis@mvdauk.org.uk</p>	Supported by Community Network, through work of Planning and Partnership Officer	Bi-monthly meetings for all VCS organisations working with children, young people and families in Middlesbrough. Significant involvement in aspects of development of services for children and young people – where the local authority allow. Currently trying to negotiate VCS seat on developing Children's Trust Board, involved in revising Children and Young People's Plan, and in writing Statement of Community Involvement for LAA	JAR inspection took place March 2008, report not produced as of 12/8/08	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reduce rates of teenage pregnancy • Reduce the use of substances such as alcohol and drugs amongst young people • Improve preventative measures so that there are fewer emergency admissions to the looked after children system • Raise standards in early years at Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 3 with particular focus on literacy • Raise the percentage of pupils achieving 5 or more A* to C GCSE's including English and Maths • Improve school attendance and reduce fixed term exclusions • Participation – ensure effective links between the Youth Council and Youth Forums to widen the involvement of children and young people in the decision making process • Increase the proportion of young people aged 16 and over engaged in education, training and employment • Improve the achievements of young people who are aged 16 and over 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NI 007 – Environment for a thriving third sector • NI 019 – Rate of proven re-offending by young offenders • NI 056 – Obesity in primary school age children in year 6 • NI 079 – Achievement of a Level 2 qualification by the age of 19 • NI 111 – First time entrants to the Youth Justice System aged 10-17 • NI 112 – Under 18 conception rates • NI 115 – Substance misuse by young people • NI 117 – 16 to 18 year olds who are not in education employment or training (NEET)
Redcar and Cleveland	Currently no VCS Children, Young People and Families network exists, although there are a number of	<p>Karen McGarrity, Redcar and Cleveland VDA, 2nd Floor, Craigton House, Central Terrace, Redcar, TS10 1DJ</p>			JAR inspection took place May 2008, report not produced as of 12/8/08	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Supporting children and young people, including vulnerable groups, and their families to adopt healthy lifestyles and improve outcomes particularly in the areas of 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NI 006 – Participation in regular volunteering • NI 050 – Emotional health of children • NI 054 – Services for disabled children • NI 055 – Obesity in

	cross sectoral networks developing in localities	01642 440571 karenmc@rcvda.org.uk				<p>teenage pregnancy, substance misuse and reducing obesity</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Children, young people and their families, living with learning difficulties/disabilities (LDD), special educational needs (SEN), mental and emotional health needs and long term physical health conditions have co-ordinated support and care pathways • Children and young people are known to the relevant organisations • Looked after children have security, stability and are cared for • Children and young people engage in law abiding and positive behaviour in and out of school • Children and young people attend, achieve and enjoy school (particular emphasis on Key Stage 4 achievement, reducing unauthorised absences, early years attainment, foundation stage attainment, narrowing gaps between boys and girls attainment, attainment of children and young people with learning difficulties/disabilities (LDD) and looked after children (LAC) • Young people and families are supported to become economically active (including reducing numbers of young homeless) 	<p>primary school age children in Reception</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NI 063 – Stability of placements in looked after children: length of placement • NI 065 – Percentage of children becoming the subject of Child Protection Plan for a second or subsequent time • NI 069 – Children who have experience bullying • NI 110 – Young people’s participation in positive activities • NI 112 – Under 18 conception rate • NI 115 – Substance misuse by young people • NI 116 – Proportion of children in poverty • NI 117 – 16 to 18 year olds who are not in education employment or training (NEET) • NI 198 – Children travelling to school: mode of transport usually used
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