

**Bath and North East Somerset Outcome Plan for work with children, young people and families**

Connecting Families is the local programme in response to Phase 2 of the national Troubled Families Initiative (TFI) and is embedded within our range of services for families living in Bath and North East Somerset. This outcomes plan is to be used to benchmark the progress of all our families identified as being within the Connecting Families wider cohort for Phase 2 of the Troubled Families Programme. The document is live and therefore as we improve information sharing across services and match the other Service’s outcome plans, we will ensure this plan is updated accordingly.

**Strategic Priorities**

There is an Operational Board attended by a wide range of council services and external partners, who oversee the work and provide governance for the work programme and report to the senior management team of the council and the government’s TFU at DCLG.

Children, Young People and Families Service Divisional Development Plan has identified a number of local key priorities that have informed our work via growing preventatives services and shaping commissioning locally such as Connecting Families. They have 4 key strategies:

1. Narrowing the gap – All children and young people in B&NES will have equal life chances, to narrow the gap
2. A focus on prevention – All children and young people are stable, healthy and happy, promoting improved outcomes
3. Children are at the heart of everything we do – We will listen to all children, young people and their parents/carers
4. Supporting staff and colleagues to be effective

**All families & Individuals described below must be resident in B&NES**

1. **Parents and children involved in crime or antisocial behaviour**

Strategic Goal: *“That all families will lead crime free lives”*

| **No** | **Criteria** | **Data Source** | **Significant Outcome Measure** | **Sustained Measure i.e. time period** |
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|  | *The family includes at least one of the following…* |  |  |  |
| 1a | A child/young person (10-18 years old) who has committed a proven offence in the previous 12 months | Youth Offending Team | Offending rate reduced by at least 33% | 6 months |
| 1b | An adult or child who has received an anti-social behaviour intervention (or equivalent local measure) in the last 12 months | Internal ASB team and/or Police | A 60% reduction in anti-social behaviour across the family | 6 months |
| 1c | An adult prisoner who is less than 12 months from his/her release date and will have parenting responsibilities on release | Probation |  |  |
| 1d | An adult who is currently subject to licence or supervision in the community, following release from prison, and has parenting responsibilities | Probation | No enforcement actions taken whilst on license or supervision in the community | 6 months or completion of the order if less than 6 months |
| 1e | An adult currently serving a community order or suspended sentence, who has parenting responsibilities | Probation | Successful completion of Community Order.  No enforcement action taken whilst serving suspended sentence. | 6 months or completion of the order |
| 1f | An adult who has committed an offence in the previous 12 months | Police | Offending rate reduced by at least 33% | 6 months |
| 1g | Adults or children referred by professionals because their potential crime problem or offending behaviour is of equivalent concern to the indicators above  **Or** any family/child being worked with by a professional service where crime/ASB is an identified concern | Referrals e.g. Compass | improved outcomes/evidence of improvement from Agreed Distance Travelled Tool /a statement from a professional confirming there has been significant improvement | 6 months |

1. **Children who have not been attending school regularly**

Strategic Goal: *“Increase the number of children and young people attending school to 90% or more. To narrow the gap so that all children and young people in BANES do as well as they can, at all levels of learning.”*

| **No** | **Criteria** | **Data Source** | **Significant Outcome Measure** | **Sustained Measure i.e. time period** |
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|  | *The family includes at least one of the following…* |  | \*In exceptional circumstances a lower attendance figure may be accepted if accompanied by a signed statement from the Head Teacher or professional and the approval of the Internal Auditor |  |
| 2a | A child who has 10% absences or more from school for an average across the last 3 consecutive terms | One Database | All school age children have attended at least 90% of possible sessions on average\*  \*Exceptional circumstances:  Attendance has increased by at least 50% (see note above) | 3 consecutive terms  3 consecutive terms |
| 2b | A child who has received at least 3 fixed term exclusions; or a child at primary school who has had at least 5 school days of fixed term exclusion; or a child of any age who has had at least 10 days of fixed term exclusion - all in the last 3 consecutive terms | One Database | 50% reduction in exclusions | 3 consecutive terms |
| 2c | A child who has been permanently excluded from school in the last 3 consecutive school terms | One Database | Child is receiving suitable education | 3 consecutive terms |
| 2d | A child who is in an alternative educational provision for behavioural problems and/or has been subject to a managed move | One Database | Report from professional within alternative educational provision confirming there has been measurable improvement in behaviour | 3 consecutive terms |
| 2e | A child who is neither registered with a school, nor being educated in an alternative setting | Children outside school panel | Child is enrolled with a school or educated in an alternative setting | 3 consecutive terms |
| 2f | A child referred by education professionals as having school attendance problems of equivalent concern to the indicators above because he/she is not receiving a suitable full time education  **Or** any family/child being worked with by a Professional where education is an identified concern | Referrals | in exceptional circumstances improved outcomes/evidence of improvement from a Distance Travelled Tool or a statement from a professional confirming there has been significant improvement | 6 months |
| 2g | A child who is in a pupil referral unit or similar provision e.g. Aspire |  | Improved outcomes/evidence of improvement from a Distance Travelled Tool or a statement from a professional confirming there has been significant improvement |  |

1. **Children who need help**

Strategic Goal: *“Increase the number of children and young people who live in a safe and supportive family and parents are better able to meet their children’s emotional and developmental needs.”*

| **No** | **Criteria** | **Data Source** | **Significant Outcome Measure** | **Sustained Measure i.e. time period** |
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|  | *The family includes at least one of the following…* |  |  |  |
| 3a | A child who has been identified as needing early help, including young carers | Data Systems | CAF/Assessment noting improved outcomes/evidence of improvement from Distance Travelled Tool or statement from a professional | 6 months |
| 3b | A child who has been assessed as needing early help or support | Other assessment tool | CAF/Assessment noting improved outcomes/evidence of improvement from Distance Travelled Tool or statement from a professional | 6 months |
| 3c | A child ‘in need’ under Section 17, Children Act 1989 | Liquid Logic | All children in the household are not on a Child in Need plan and have stepped down to early help service or closed and no referral to Social Care | 6 months |
| 3d | A child who has been subject to an enquiry under Section 47, Children Act 1989 | Liquid Logic | A reduction in need/risk to have no further requirement to have a child protection plan, however, could still be open to social care. | 6 months |
| 3e | A child subject to a Child Protection Plan | Liquid Logic | All children in the household are not on a Child Protection plan and have step down to early help service or closed and no repeat referral to Social Care | 6 months |
| 3f | Young mothers - families where a mother gave birth at the age of 18 or under, in the last 12 months and / or the FNP caseload | Live birth / FNP / Midwives data | After initial assessment and support from maternity services and/or for FNP family are deemed as not being in need of additional support from Preventative Services | 6 months |
| 3g | Families where a child has been listed as ‘missing’ to the Police | Missing person’s report  Liquid Logic | Reduction in numbers of missing episodes  Reduction in period of time a young person is missing. | in 6 month period compared to previous 6 month period. |
| 3h | A child at risk of sexual exploitation | CSE MARAC  Liquid Logic | Report from CSE MARAC panel that risk of CSE has been reduced to safe limits or improvement listed by a professional supporting the family | 6 months |
| 3i | A child referred by professionals as having  problems of equivalent concern to the indicators above  Or any family/child being worked with by a Professional service where children who need help is an identified concern | Referrals | improved outcomes/evidence of improvement from Distance Travelled Tool /a statement from a professional confirming there has been significant improvement | 6 months |
| 3j | A child, young person and their family is homeless | Referral | Families in suitable housing | 6 months |
| 3k | A looked after child | Liquid Logic |  |  |

**4. Adults out of work or at risk of financial exclusion or young people at risk of worklessness**

Strategic Goal: *“All adults are engaged in work, training and able to meet the financial needs of their family”*

| **No** | **Criteria** | **Data Source** | **Significant Outcome Measure** | **Sustained Measure i.e. time period** |
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|  | *The family includes at least one of the following…* |  | *4a can be claimed as one measure* |  |
| 4a | An adult in receipt of out of work benefits or an adult who is claiming Universal Credit | Department for Work & Pensions  Job Centre Plus | At least one adult in the family has moved off out-of-work benefits into continuous employment  Where an adult in the family is on Universal Credit and in a category where they are not required to work at this stage (Categories: No work related requirements; Work Focused interview or Work preparation), evidence of progress to work from a professional or training provider/voluntary placement. This would involve one or more of the following measures:   * Complete a CV * Completed an interview re: work/training * Attend a Job Club * Complete Sector Based Work Training * Complete Employability Course * Complete Work Placement/or volunteering * Continuous employment for under 16 hrs p.w. * Achieving an accredited skill level qualification e.g. Level 1 or Level 2 Numeracy/Literacy | The adult moves off Income Support or ESA for 13 weeks  The adult moves off JSA for 26 weeks  The adult moves into the Working Enough category of Universal Credit for 13 weeks  The adult moves from the Intensive Work Search category to the Light Touch category  for 26 weeks  As long as required  As long as required  6 weeks  2 weeks  As long as required  Minimum of 4 hrs pw for a minimum of 6 weeks  As long as required |
| This measure can be claimed as a stand-alone outcome measure | | | | |
| 4b | A young person who is about to leave school, has no/few qualifications and no planned education, training or employment | Youth Connect Data | All young people 16 up to 19 years old in household are in education, training or employment  **OR**  Assessment closure with improved outcomes/evidence of improvement from Distance Travelled Tool /a statement from a professional confirming there has been significant and sustained improvement | 6 months  6 months |
| 4c | A young person 16 to 19 years who is Not in Education, Employment or Training (NEET) | Youth Connect Data | Employment (as per above),  **OR**  Higher or Further education  **OR**  Training and / or apprenticeship  **OR**  Completion of whole training course  **OR**  Formal volunteering undertaken over a substantial part of the week, in a role that helps in progressing towards work. | At least 13 weeks  If lasts between 8 – 12 weeks),  At least 13 weeks, |
| 4d | The family owes more than their total monthly income in unsecured debt (i.e. unmanageable debt). |  | Debt management plan agreed with approved advisor and plan implemented  No recourse to Foodbank and adequate provision of food to family  Distance travelled measure on reduction in difficulties associated with personal finances evidenced by professional. |  |

**5. Families affected by domestic violence and abuse.**

Strategic Goal: *“All families live in homes where they feel safe.”*

| **No** | **Criteria** | **Data Source** | **Significant Outcome Measure** | **Sustained Measure i.e. time period** |
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|  | *The family includes at least one of the following…* |  |  |  |
| 5a | A household member has been subject to a Police call out for at least one domestic incident in the last 12 months, where there is a child residing in the household. | Liquid Logic | 50% reduction of reported incidences or Police call outs involving a domestic violence/abuse incident | 6 months |
| 5b | A young person or adult, currently experiencing domestic violence or abuse; and/or a young person or adult who is a perpetrator of domestic violence or abuse, where there is a child residing in the household. | * Multi-Agency Risk Assessment Conferences (MARAC) * Referrals * Independent Domestic Violence Advisors case list | A statement detailing there has been significant and sustained improvement in the last 6 months, signed and evidenced by a professional. | 6 months |

**6. Parents and children with a range of health problems**

Strategic Goal: *“All family members are resilient and able to make healthy lifestyle choices”*

| **No** | **Criteria** | **Data Source** | **Significant Outcome Measure** | **Sustained Measure i.e. time period** |
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|  | *The family includes at least one of the following…* |  |  |  |
| 6a | An adult with mental health issues and who has parenting responsibilities or a child with mental health issues. | * CAMHs * Stepping Stones Case List * Children's Services Client record system – (Data Team) | A statement from a professional, stating that all family members who were identified as having a mental health or drug/alcohol issue; is now controlled, managed and is not affecting their parenting responsibilities  **OR / AND**  A statement from a professional that all children within the household are ready to start school or are engaging with school, and are healthy and ready to learn.  **OR / AND**  A reduction in weight if assessed as being obese  **OR / AND**  Cessation of smoking  **OR / AND**  A self-care strategy in place / a statement from a professional and / or family member | 6 months |
| 6b | An adult with a drug or alcohol issues and who has parenting responsibilities or a child with a drug or alcohol issues. | * Client record system – (Data Team) * DHI |
| 6c | Adults with parenting responsibilities or children who are referred by professionals as having health issues e.g. physical such as unhealthy weight and uncontrolled diabetes. | * Referrals |
| 6d | New parents who have a mental health and/or substance misuse issue and other health factors associated with poor parenting. | * Universal Partnership Plus service |
| 6e | Parents who are receiving a Universal Partnership / Plus service/FNP service | * CAF * Health Visitors | Good level of early years development |  |