

<b>Key Decision Required</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>In the Forward Plan</b>	<b>No</b>
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## CABINET

**16 FEBRUARY 2018**

### **REFERENCE REPORT FROM THE COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP AND PARTNERSHIPS COMMITTEE**

#### **A.1 GREAT BENTLEY PRIMARY SCHOOL WELL-BEING HUB** (Report prepared by Karen Neath and Katie Sullivan)

#### **BACKGROUND**

At the meeting of the Community Leadership and Partnerships Committee held on 8 January 2018, the Council's Executive Projects Manager (Rebecca Morton) was in attendance and provided the Committee with information on the Great Bentley Primary School Well-Being Hub, which included the following:

- (1) Overview of the Well-Being Hub;
- (2) Training provided for staff;
- (3) Recognising and expressing emotions;
- (4) Skills, tools and techniques;
- (5) Removing barriers to enable children to learn;
- (6) Dealing with challenges faced in the future;
- (7) Themed groups as part of the pilot – Play, Art, Construction and Science; and
- (8) Evaluation of the first full term.

A presentation which had been provided by Tracey Caffull (Executive Head Teacher – Great Bentley and Frinton Primary Schools) was circulated to the Committee and the Executive Projects Manager provided information on each section. The presentation covered the following:

- (1) The pressure to be perfect;
- (2) Action;
- (3) Results;
- (4) Summary;
- (5) What is needed next; and
- (6) Moving forward.

The Council's Health and Education Portfolio Holder (Councillor McWilliams) informed the Committee that she had visited the Well-Being Hub on a few occasions and she thought that it was very interesting and encouraged Members to visit to take a look.

The Health and Education Portfolio Holder further informed the Committee that she had visited during one of the first sessions and again to one of the later sessions and had been amazed at the positive changes.

The Committee was given the opportunity to ask questions which were responded to by the Executive Projects Manager.

The Committee thanked the Executive Projects Manager for all the information that she had provided.

**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS AND COMMENTS TO CABINET**

It was **RECOMMENDED / COMMENTED** to **CABINET** that:

- (a) contact be made with Essex County Council in order to request that full funding is provided to enable further Well-Being Hubs across the District; and
- (b) the Committee would like to congratulate those involved in introducing the Well-Being Hub and the success that had been achieved so far and that the Committee fully supports it.

**PORTFOLIO HOLDER'S COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS TO CABINET**

It is **recommended** that:-

- a) contact be made with Essex County Council in order to request that full funding is provided to enable further Well-Being Hubs across the District;
- b) Cabinet endorses the congratulations of the Committee on the success of the Wellbeing Hub and also fully supports the work that the Hub is doing.