Key Decision Required	No	In the Forward Plan	No

CABINET

20 APRIL 2018

REFERENCE REPORT FROM THE COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP AND PARTNERSHIPS COMMITTEE

A.2 VIRGIN CARE

(Report prepared by Karen Neath and Katie Sullivan)

BACKGROUND

At the meeting of the Community Leadership and Partnerships Committee held on 19 March 2018, Virgin Care's Quadrant Manager for North Essex (Elizabeth Kingsford) was in attendance and provided the Committee with information on Virgin Care.

The Essex Child and Family Wellbeing Service brings together a range of children's community services. It's provided by Virgin Care in partnership with Barnardo's on behalf of Essex County Council and the NHS.

It delivers broad areas of support as follows:-

- 1. Health Visiting;
- 2. Parenting Support;
- 3. School Nursing;
- 4. Family Health;
- 5. Support for ages 5-19;
- 6. Support for young people with special educational needs and disabilities up to the age of 25.

It also provides children's community health services in West Essex.

Elizabeth Kingsford provided information on the following:

- 1. Introduction:
- 2. Background;
- 3. The Essex Child and Family Wellbeing Service;
- 4. 10 Year Contract;
- 5. Working in partnership with Barnardo's;
- 6. Transition and change;
- 7. Integration of various teams;
- 8. Health visiting;
- 9. Community Services;
- 10. Projects;
- 11. Tailoring needs; and
- 12. 27 Key aims / Targets.

Following on from the information provided, Members were given the opportunity to ask questions which were responded to by Elizabeth Kingsford.

Elizabeth Kingsford informed the Committee that she would be happy to provide Case Studies and information on the progress made by Virgin Care in the future.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS AND COMMENTS TO CABINET

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

The Community Safety Partnership and the Public Health Officer make contact with Virgin Care to ensure that the work of Virgin Care locally links through to the relevant projects and activities already being undertaken in the District.

PORTFOLIO HOLDER'S COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS TO CABINET

Comments

The Health and Education Portfolio Holder supports the Committee's recommendation. The Committee requested at the meeting that Virgin Care submit some case studies to a future meeting of the Committee that show the impact of their work in some specified areas of the District such as Jaywick Sands and Harwich. The case studies should show what has been achieved and where things have not worked so well. I wholeheartedly support this course of action and look forward to seeing what the outcomes from the case studies in due course and understanding if there are any areas where additional support could be provided by the Council.

Recommendations to Cabinet

That the recommendation made by the Community Leadership and Partnerships Committee be supported.