

**Agenda item 4**

**DERBYSHIRE HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD**

**4<sup>th</sup> APRIL 2019**

**Report of Dean Wallace**

**A NEW APPROACH TO 0-19 PUBLIC HEALTH NURSING SERVICES: AN  
UPDATE ON PROGRESS**

**1. Purpose of the report**

To provide the Health and Wellbeing Board with an update on the progress of the development of a partnership approach to delivering key public health services for the 0-19 age group and their families, including; Public Health Nursing (Health Visiting and School Nursing) and the National Child Measurement Programme (NCMP).

**2. Information and analysis**

In July 2018 Cabinet approved an enterprising programme of work to develop a partnership approach to delivering key public health services. The presentation (Appendix 1) gives an update on the development of this more integrated approach to providing services for children, young people and families in Derbyshire.

**3. Links to the Health and Wellbeing Strategy**

This process contributes to priority one of the Health and Wellbeing Strategy by ensuring public health nursing services for children, young people and families in Derbyshire link with available NHS and Council services to enable people in Derbyshire to live healthy lives.

**RECOMMENDATIONS**

The Health and Wellbeing Board is asked to:

1. Note the progress across Public Health, Children's Services and DCHS (NHS) FT in moving to a more integrated service model.
2. Accept this report as an update on the development of the Section 75 Agreement between Derbyshire County Council and Derbyshire Community Health Service (NHS) Foundation Trust.

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# **Section 75 - A new approach to 0-19 Public Health Nursing services**

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# Current provision

The current 0-19 Public Health Nursing Service is a universal, preventative service, consisting of:

- Health Visiting
- School Nursing
- Vision and Hearing Screening
- National Child Measurement Programme (NCMP)
- This service is part of a multi-agency approach to improving the health and wellbeing of children, young people and families and contributes to the Healthy Child Programme
- Delivery of the 5 core contacts of the HCP by Health Visiting Services and NCMP is mandated under the Health & Social Care Act (2012)
- The Service is currently commissioned by DCC Public Health and provided by Derbyshire Community Health Service (NHS) Foundation Trust

# Rationale

- The council wants to improve the health and wellbeing outcomes for children, young people and families who access the services.
- We believe that the most effective approach for delivering these outcomes is through a partnership arrangement between DCC and DCHS.
- This complements the whole system approach to commissioning and provision of services through Joined-Up Care Derbyshire
- Cabinet gave approval to proceed with the development of the Section 75 Partnership Agreement on 26 July 2018.

# Benefits of this approach

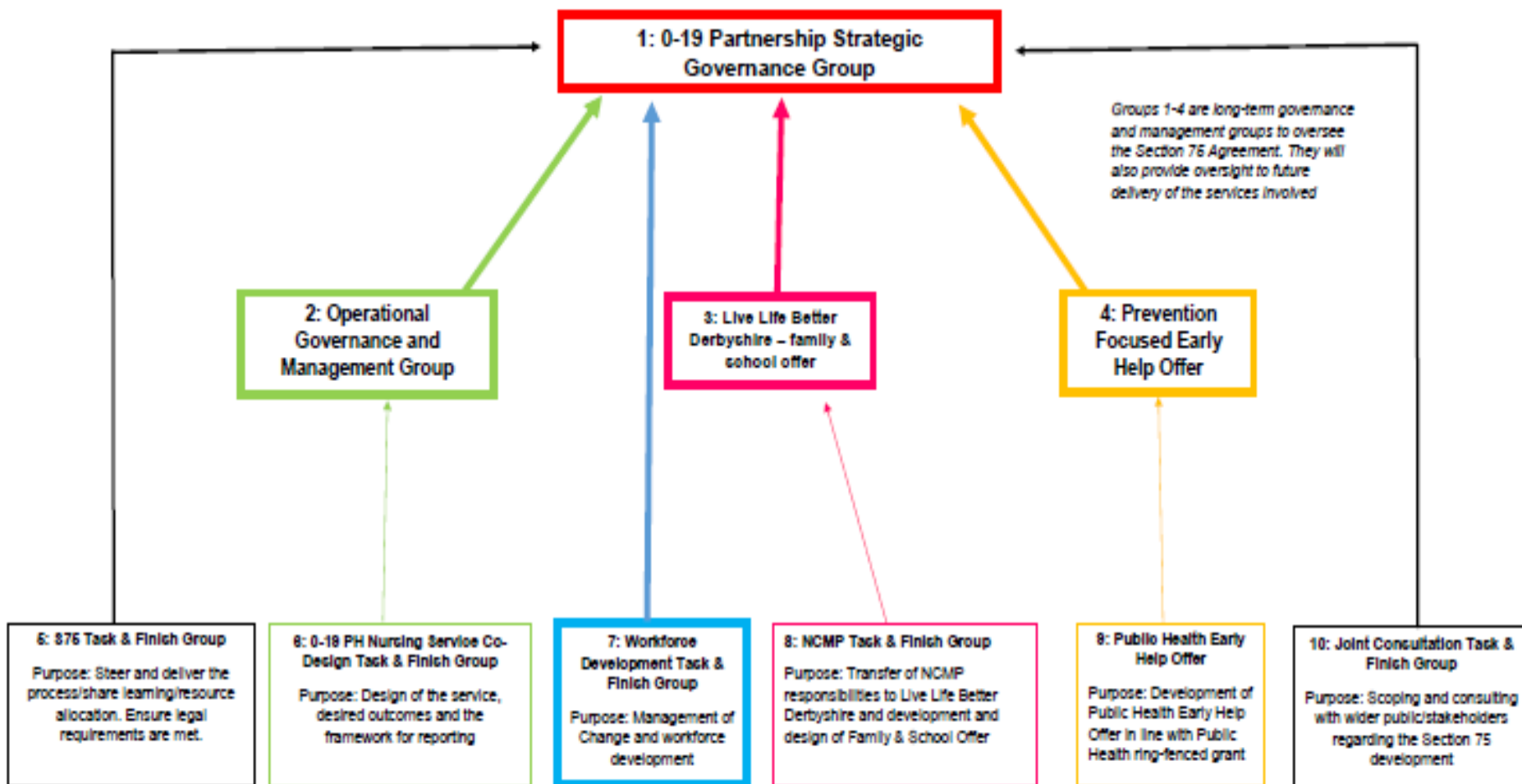
- This is an enterprising approach that builds on the very successful service we currently have – we are one of the best performing county areas in the country in the PHE Best Start in Life indicator set.
- It maintains stability of service provision and supports a more integrated approach to delivery of services for children, young people and families, aiming to improve outcomes.
- It will encourage greater transparency in activity and outcome against investment, allowing greater flexibility and responsiveness.

# Our aims:



# Update on progress


# Governance





# Our Shared Vision

***“0-19s services support all children, young people and families in Derbyshire, to improve their well-being, thrive and reach their potential”***



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**8: 0-18 PH Nursing Service Co-Design Task & Finish Group**

Purpose: Design of the service, desired outcomes and the framework for reporting

**7: Workforce Development Task & Finish Group**

Purpose: Management of Change and workforce development

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Purpose: Transfer of NCMP responsibilities to Live Life Better Derbyshire and development and design of Family & School Offer

**9: Public Health Early Help Offer**

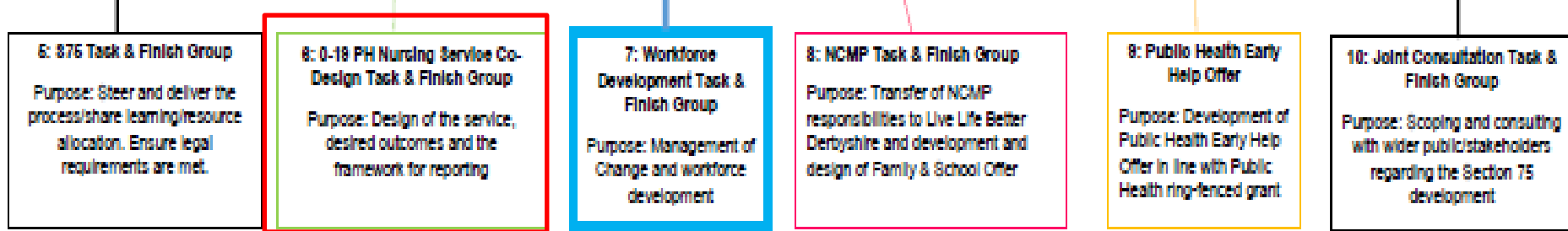
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**10: Joint Consultation Task & Finish Group**

Purpose: Scoping and consulting with wider public/stakeholders regarding the Section 75 development

## Establishing the Legal Agreement

- Membership is made up from different departments from the Council (procurement, legal, public health, children's services) and DCHS
- The group is currently working towards a final draft to be signed off by Cabinet and DCHS Executive team

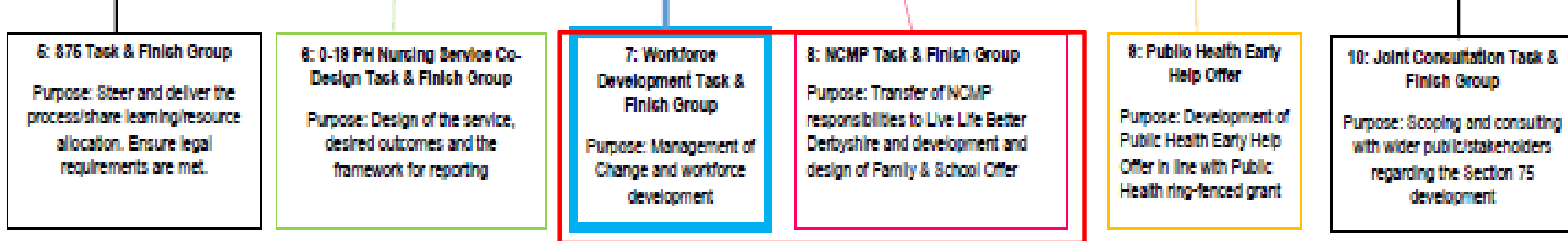


## Devising the service specification

- This specification ensures:
  - safe caseload numbers are maintained for 0-5s, and families of this age group have a named HV
  - the delivery of the five mandated contacts
  - delivery of an additional face to face contact between 3.5 and 5 years old to support the school readiness agenda

# Developing the PH Nursing Service

- The specification also supports the delivery of:
  - Child reported health assessments at Year 6
  - 1:1 support for children who self-refer or are referred into the service



## Transferring delivery of NCMP

- Staff from DCHS will TUPE across to Live Life Better Derbyshire in September 2019
- Work is ongoing to ensure staff are retained and service provision continues
- This creates an opportunity to develop and provide additional support around healthy lifestyles to children and families through LLBD

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# Supporting the Early Help Offer



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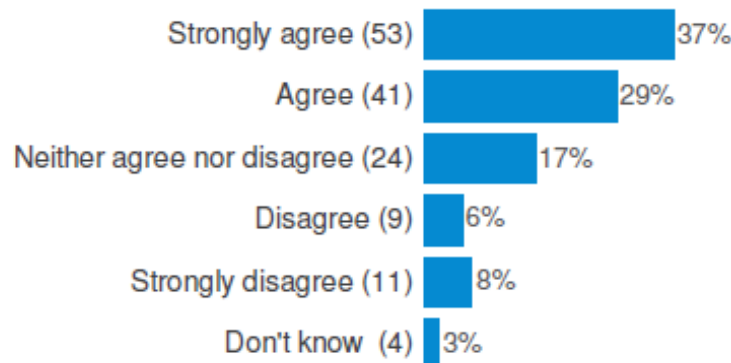
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## Consultation on the Section 75

Do you agree or disagree that 0-19 years public health nursing services (e.g. health visiting and school nursing) should be joined up with other services for children, and with wider NHS services?



How strongly do you agree or disagree that the Council should develop the future of the 0-19 Public Health Nursing Services through a formal partnership agreement with Derbyshire Community Health Services NHS Foundation Trust, in which the Trust provides the services on behalf of the Council? (... option 1)



# Challenges and opportunities





# Public Health Ring-fence Grant

- In real terms, by April 2019, the Public Health grant to DCC will be 20% less in comparison to the grant received in 2015
- This is against a backdrop of cuts to local authority funding from Central Government
- We are unsure what the financial position will be after April 2020

# Safeguarding and the school aged child

- The financial support to Children's Centres reduces the available budget for Public Health Nursing
- As Health Visiting Services are a mandated service, the impact will be on school nursing staff
- In the current model, the school nurse is the default representative from "health" although they may not be the professional that has the most knowledge about the child.

# Organisational Boundaries



## Background papers

- Section 75 of National Health Service Act 2006  
<http://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/2006/41/section/75>
- 28 April 2018, Cabinet Report Review of 0-5 Services
- Cabinet Report 26 July 2018: A New Approach to Public Health Nursing and Achieving Population Health and Wellbeing Outcomes in 0-19 Year Olds across Derbyshire
- Section 75 Public Consultation report