

GIVING CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE A GREAT START IN LIFE

Herefordshire's Children and Young People's Plan 2018 – 2023

BY 2023 HEREFORDSHIRE CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE WILL:

OUR PLEDGES	WHAT ARE WE GOING TO DO?	HOW WILL WE KNOW IF WE'VE MADE A DIFFERENCE?
<p>Be SAFE FROM HARM and</p> <p>Be safe with others You will live with supportive families and carers and have a better understanding of healthy and positive relationships.</p> <p>We will increase our early help and social care support; we will work together to make clear decision so you receive the right support at the right time.</p> <p>Feel safer You will know how to keep safe where you live so that you are confident when you go out.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ensure that all agencies focus on and are accountable for the priorities identified in this plan • Improve safeguarding in children's services by increasing social work capacity and improving social work practice; implementing a consistent approach to thresholds of need; developing our approach to edge of care services; building on our targeted early help to provide support at the right time. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Children's services will be rated good by Ofsted • The number of children who either become looked after or are on a child protection plans will reduce so that it is in line with our population • Young people will feedback that there are no unsafe locations in Herefordshire
<p>Be HEALTHY and</p> <p>Lead a healthier lifestyle You will have better information to help you keep active and eat healthily.</p> <p>Have healthier teeth You and your family will receive better advice about the importance of good oral health.</p> <p>Be confident to talk about mental health You will have better support to meet your emotional and mental health needs.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Target support for children and families from pre-birth and maternity services through infancy to school readiness • Ensure that there is a co-ordinated and comprehensive offer to support children's social, emotional and mental health • Support dental health initiatives, including ensuring access to dentists in specific areas and for particular groups of children, and investigating the feasibility of fluoridation of water supply in Herefordshire 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The percentage of reception age children who are overweight or obese will be below national average • The percentage of children with decayed, missing or filled teeth will be no more than national average. • Mental health hospital admission rates will reduce.
<p>Be AMAZING and</p> <p>Have a great start in life We will support you to have a great start in life and to overcome barriers to your achievement.</p> <p>Be better prepared for adulthood You will receive better guidance on careers to help you make informed choices.</p> <p>Have better chances of success You will have more opportunities to develop the skills you will need for the world of work.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Implement the new education strategy so that there is a better range of curriculum options, particularly around technical qualifications and work-related learning, which enable all children and young people to succeed 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Results in Herefordshire will be in the top 25% of all local authorities at the end of the primary and secondary phases of education, and in Year R, for all groups of pupils • The proportion of young people who are either going to university or who are in education and training will be above national average
<p>FEEL PART OF THE COMMUNITY and</p> <p>Live in a happier community With your help, we will tackle discrimination and ensure everyone feels valued in our community.</p> <p>Be more influential We will work with you so that you are involved both in decision making in our community and in delivering this Children and Young People's Plan.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop opportunities with partner agencies, including Herefordshire Council and NMITE, to engage children and young people on topical issues in our community 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Surveys of children and young people's views will demonstrate that they feel engaged and positive about their ability to make a difference to their communities