



Title of paper:	Big Lottery for Nottingham , Fulfilling Lives: Small Steps Big Changes	
Report to:	Children's Partnership Board	
Date:	19 March 2014	
Relevant Director:	Lyn Bacon, Chief Executive Nottingham CityCare Partnership	Wards affected: All
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Other officers who have provided input:		
Relevant Children and Young People's Plan (CYPP) objectives(s):		
Stronger safeguarding – With a key focus on ensuring that there are high standards of safeguarding across all agencies and that the Partnership takes a pro-active approach to the elimination of domestic violence.		√
Healthy living – With a key focus on increasing the proportion of children and young people who have a healthy weight.		√
Reducing substance misuse – Partnership work to lessen the impact on children of parental drug and alcohol misuse and to reduce drug and alcohol misuse amongst children and young people.		√
Raising attainment – Raising the attainment levels and increasing engagement in employment, education and training.		√
Improving attendance – Improving rates of attendance at both Primary and Secondary as a key foundation of improving outcomes.		√
Summary of issues (including benefits to customers/service users):		
<p>This is an update on the progress to secure Big Lottery funding of between £30m and £50m to support the use of preventative approaches to improve the life chances of children aged nought to three over a ten year period.</p> <p>The partnership working group from local agencies including Nottingham City Council, Voluntary Organisations, health agencies and parents and led by Nottingham CityCare Partnership have already gone through an intensive selection process from the 152 Local Authorities who were originally invited to submit an expression of interest to the 15 authorities who were successful in Stage One.</p> <p>During the preparation period for the Stage Two submission consultation, information gathering and planning has been intensive and far reaching.</p> <p>The Stage Two application was submitted on February 28th 2014 and the outcome should be known in June 2014.</p>		
Recommendations:		
1	The Children's Partnership Board to note the progress, and support any emerging key issues.	

2	The Children's Partnership Board to support a move towards a system change which will embed the principles of first years prevention in the mind-set of all members of the partnership.
3.	As part of the Big Lottery governance arrangements The Children's Partnership Board is requested to act as sponsor in overseeing the Big Lottery development strategy and reporting arrangements. This will ensure links with the broader Early Intervention remit are maintained.

1. BACKGROUND AND PROPOSALS

A new £165m Fulfilling Lives: A Better Start initiative aims to deliver a step change in the use of preventative approaches to improve the life chances of children aged nought- three in the following outcomes:

- Communication and language
- Social and emotional development and
- Nutrition

Awards to three to five areas of between £30-£50m lasting for up to ten years will be available in 2014.

This is a great opportunity for Nottingham as an Early Intervention Place to build on the strong foundations and partnership already in place.

Progress so far.

Nottingham has achieved success in both the initial Expression of Interest and as one of only 15 development areas chosen from the Stage One application.

The 15 chosen areas were awarded development grants to support the creation of a project team, to further engage members of the community and to finalise the delivery model.

During this development period participative consultation has been a leading element in forming the characteristics of the SSBC approach and consequently the Stage Two submission.

This has been organised through:

- The Community Partnership
- The Interim Board
- The Development Group and
- The Evidence Assessment Group

Information gathering fun days were held in the four wards in order to engage local communities and parents and encourage participation in the Community Partnership. The purpose of the engagement and participation activities is to put the parent at the heart of the SSBC programme.

Parents from the Community Partnership and partners from statutory and voluntary organisations attended a two day strategy event in January.

In preparation for this event work was carried out on; community engagement, fund mapping, a Health and Wellbeing Survey, capital options appraisal, scoping the third sector, policy analysis, partnership agreements, communications and learning history.

Work has also taken place to use social media as a communication tool and to support an evidence base and a service delivery tool.

The two day strategy event was led by Louise Morpeth from the Dartington Social Research Unit (SRU). The SRU as an independent charity that seeks to increase the use of evidence of what works in designing and delivering services for children and their families will be supporting Nottingham throughout the process. They are also a strong advocate of prevention and early intervention based approaches.

This support will include the use of science-based prevention strategies as part of an application for this investment using the *Better Evidence for a Better Start* methodology. This will provide:

- High quality data on the well-being of local children and the distribution of expenditure on children.
- Information on the emerging science of early child development and a summary of effective prevention and early intervention.
- Tools to help manage investments by the Big lottery Fund, local commissioners and social financiers, and
- Monitoring and evaluation that will promote high quality implementation plans, at scale.

The application of these methods will be supported by individual site managers.

The two day event was very well attended and the active involvement of parents and partners in presenting information and group discussions covered a great deal of information which has been captured in the application process and planning for the future.

The Stage Two application was submitted on February 28th.

What next?

Key dates in the process are:

March 2014 Business case confirmed and challenge session with BIG funding manager

May 6 – 9th 2014 Interviews will be held with Partners and The Big Lottery Selection Panel.

June 2014 Successful candidates will be informed.

More information is available at <http://www.biglotteryfund.org.uk/betterstart>

2. RISKS

A strong, well-co-ordinated partnership approach will be required to successfully progress this opportunity. Any breakdown in partnership communications or a failure to produce a high quality Business Plan will adversely affect the success of the bid.

3. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

A successful outcome will secure funding of between £30-£50million for the City of Nottingham

4. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

Non apparent at this stage

5. CLIENT GROUP

All groups of children, young people or carers who will be covered by the opportunity.

6. IMPACT ON EQUALITIES ISSUES

The extensive partnership approach required in this opportunity will require and ensure engagement and consideration from a wide range of communities.

7. OUTCOMES AND PRIORITIES AFFECTED

The main outcome of the CYPP objectives and priorities which are likely to be affected are:
Stronger safeguarding: with a key focus on ensuring high quality safeguarding across all agencies and that the partnership takes a pro-active approach to the elimination of domestic violence.

Healthy living: with a key focus on the proportion of children and young people who have a healthy weight.

8. CONTACT DETAILS

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