

Problem to be solved:

There is a wide group of Children In Need (CIN) who we know about, and whose families' needs may escalate to the point of becoming Looked After. Studies have shown the links between mental ill-health and adverse childhood experiences, and that mental health needs are much more prevalent among those people who suffer from these experiences, for instance. This wider group of vulnerable children need additional investment to test methods of working with them to meet their emotional health and wellbeing needs, not only to support their individual circumstances, but to also promote their resilience should they experience family breakdown

Key milestones and Timeframes

Activity	July	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan-Mar
Award of Funding (if successful)	x						
Further conversation with Family Safeguarding Team Leads based at Surrey County Council and finalisation of methods of working/interdependencies	x						
Selection of sites where additional staff will be based and finalisation of service/design roles		x					
Recruitment of PMHWs and Community Connectors		x	x				
Staff in post and service begins				x			
Start to author service specification for procurement process							x

Key risk	Probability	Impact
Improved outcomes identified in this business case overlap with other business cases and lead to double-counting.	Medium	High
Community Connectors are unable to identify enough VCFS opportunities to justify their provision as FTEs	Low	High
Primary Mental Health Workers and Community Connectors are unable to integrate into Family Safeguarding Teams effectively, reducing productivity	Medium	Medium
Recruitment of additional staff proves more difficult than expected, delaying start date	Medium	High

In Scope:

Children in Need in Surrey (to include Care Leavers, Looked After Children, potentially those Post-Order or SGO).

Out of Scope:

Existing SABP Service Delivery, Crisis or Tier 4 Services, Independent Schools

Description of CSF	How will success be measured?
Improved experience for CYP and their families, including reduced waiting times	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Feedback from CYP and their families - % satisfaction rate to be determined and agreed CYP and their families report a better experience of services - % satisfaction rate to be determined and agreed Waiting times for CIN to access therapeutic support – benchmarked against other cohorts of CIN in other locations
Reduction in demand for clinical services due to effective early help offer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reduction in the number of CIN requiring clinical treatments
CYP access help and support in their communities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Increase in number of service users referred onto community support, VCFS organisations to be measured and numbers actually attending these sources of support to be followed up at a later date
Increased school attendance for this cohort	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Benchmark the 2 innovator sites compared to the other 20
Reduction in emergency A&E attendance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Benchmark the 2 innovator sites compared to the other 20

Aims for this Theme:

1. Resilience-promoting activities for this cohort which is embedded in the community but which Children in Need may need 'hand-holding' to access, and
2. Direct access to therapeutic support for these children and young people through our multi-disciplinary teams
3. Small pot to pump prime local voluntary and community sector in collaboration with community connectors

Requirements of Enabler Work streams:

1. Digital – any potential alignment of the health and social care information systems?
2. Any data-sharing agreements which may need to be put in place
3. SCC IT and HR for SCC recruited staff, SABP IT & HR for PMHWs
3. Comms will be needed to explain Prog to CYP/Parents/Carers/Schools
4. SCC IT for staff being based in localities

Assumption

- Key stakeholders, across the system, are willing to work together to work to new models of delivery.
- Appropriate VCFS organisations can be identified to benefit from direct funding.
- SCC is able to identify a cohort of vulnerable people to benefit from additional support.
- There is sufficient commissioning and programme management capacity to deliver the programme successfully.