

**Sandwell Health and Wellbeing Board
19 September 2019**

Report Topic:	Children and Young People’s Engagement Strategy 2019 - 2022
Contact Officer:	Lisa McNally (Director of Public Health and SHAPE Strategic Lead) and Neesha Patel (SHAPE Project Manager)
Link to board priorities	<p>Please include in your report how your work links to one or more of our board priorities:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. We will help keep people healthier for longer 2. We will help keep people safe and support communities 3. We will work together to join up services 4. We will work closely with local people, partners and providers of services
Purpose of Report:	Members of the Health and Wellbeing Board to endorse the Children and Young People’s Engagement Strategy.
Recommendations	<p>All Members are asked to consider the following recommendations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Endorsement of the Children and Young People’s Engagement Strategy 2019 - 2022 • Support the vision of the SHAPE Programme “Where Every Child’s Voice Matters in Sandwell” • Ensure the principles, priorities and practice of Participation are adopted by all organisations • The strategy is shared with their organisations and any projects engaging children and young people are submitted for inclusion into the action plan • Any future project ideas to engage with children and young people are brought for ratification to the SHAPE Strategic Board
Key Discussion points:	(please include links to our board priorities as shown above)

	<p>The creation of a Children and Young People’s Engagement Strategy ensures a joined-up approach to participation and engagement with children and young people.</p> <p>The strategy action plan will ensure projects involving children and young people promote the 5 priorities of SHAPE:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Staying Safe • Being Healthy • Achieving and Enjoying • Making a Positive Contribution • Economic Wellbeing <p>Hence also taking into account the Board priorities of keeping people healthier for longer and keeping people safe and supporting communities.</p>
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Implications (e.g. Financial, Statutory etc)

The financial implications include the design and development of a young people’s version of the strategy and launch at a stakeholder event. However, the funding for these will be through the SHAPE Programme budget, which is financed through an equal contribution from the Directors of the Council and the CCG.

There are no statutory implications.

What engagement has or will take place with people, partners and providers?

The Strategy has been developed in partnership with the CCG, Sandwell Council, Children’s Trust and the Voluntary Sector and SHAPE Youth Forum.

The draft strategy has been shared with a number of partners agencies who work with children and young people to identify projects to include in the action plan.

Once the Health and Wellbeing Board have endorsed the Strategy, a young people’s version of the

	<p>document will be produced and developed by young people themselves.</p>
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It is anticipated the final version of the Strategy will be launched at a stakeholder event in November 2019.