

# **NEATH PORT TALBOT COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL**

## **PERSONNEL COMMITTEE**

**12<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2015**

### **JOINT REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION, LEISURE & LIFELONG LEARNING AND THE DIRECTOR OF SOCIAL SERVICES, HEALTH AND HOUSING – A. EVANS / N. JARMAN**

#### **MATTER FOR DECISION**

#### **WARD(S) AFFECTED: ALL**

#### **TRANSFER OF RESPONSIBILITIES FOR THE TEAM AROUND THE FAMILY FROM THE DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION, LEISURE & LIFELONG LEARNING TO THE DIRECTOR OF SOCIAL SERVICES, HEALTH & HOUSING**

##### **1. Purpose of Report:**

The purpose of this report is to seek Members' approval to transfer responsibilities for the Team Around the Family from the Director of Education, Leisure & Lifelong Learning (ELLL) to the Director of Social Services, Health & Housing (SSHH).

##### **2. Background**

Team Around The Family (TAF) was established in 2013, in line with the Welsh Government Families First Programme. The TAF model was initially developed as a pilot in 2013 / 2014, with proposals for an established team approved at Personnel Committee in June 2013. The intention at this time was to move the responsibility for the TAF model to the Children and Young People (CYP) Service within SSHH, however this did not take place. This decision was taken to avoid the latter having to contend with the development of the TAF at a time of

responding to inspection deadlines / actions. The TAF model is therefore still within the ELLL Directorate.

The development of the team was however commissioned by the CYP Service to ensure that the team's strategy fitted with the SSHH approach to early intervention and prevention, and to enable the model to form part of the delivery of the CYP Strategic Improvement Plan 2013 – 2016.

The purpose of TAF is to act as an agent for change, providing a network of early intervention and prevention support for children, young people and their families, and to co-ordinate a multi-agency approach.

The team has been established with funding from the Welsh Government's Families First Grant, with funding secured to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2017.

### **3. Proposal**

As TAF form part of a wider model within SSHH incorporating a single point of contact for families, staff and organisations, and to create a more co-ordinated joined up approach to service delivery, it is proposed to transfer responsibility for TAF from ELLL to SSHH, reporting to the Director of SSHH.

### **4. Costs:**

This proposal is cost neutral, as TAF employees and its budget will transfer from ELLL to SSHH.

### **5. Recommendation**

It is recommended that Members APPROVE the proposal to transfer responsibilities for the Team Around the Family from the Director of Education, Leisure & Lifelong Learning (ELLL) to the Director of Social Services, Health & Housing (SSHH).

## **FOR DECISION**

### **Appendices**

None

**Wards Affected:**

All Wards

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