



## "Building Safe and Resilient Communities"

### NPT's Plan for Children & Young People Services 2019 - 2022

#### What do we want to achieve?

Our goal is to ensure that children and young people in NPT are safe, living in families where they can achieve their potential and have their health, well-being and life chances improved within thriving communities— from childhood to adulthood

#### What are we going to focus on?

- Early intervention and prevention—resolving problems early
- Quality support that meets needs and agreed outcomes, and that children, young people and carers are satisfied with
- Outcomes focused interventions—making sure what we do has a positive impact
- Starting from a position of what someone can do, and will be able to do for themselves, with appropriate levels of support
- Adaptable, flexible and inclusive services that can meet changing needs and agreed outcomes
- Understanding what is important to people and offer activities that meet outcomes, including supporting people into education, employment and training
- Make sure everyone working with adults help them to be full and active members of their communities
- That we receive good value for money

#### How we will do it ?

- **Early Intervention & Prevention:** Early intervention involves identifying children and families that may be at risk of running into difficulties and providing timely and effective support. Its purpose is to improve the life chances of children and families and benefit society at large
- **Safeguarding:** Children who are at risk should be supported at the earliest opportunity, with a view to trying to make things get better and stay better. Interventions will aim to keep children in their own homes, within their family or within their local community
- **Safely reduce the number of Looked After Children:** We will plan effectively to ensure Looked After Children have stability, do not remain in care longer than is necessary and leave care positively
- **Implement outcome focused interventions across Children's Services:** By focusing on improving social work practice in relation to assessment and personal outcome based care planning we will further develop services that promote long term child and family stability
- **Supporting Young Carers:** We want to identify and reduce the numbers of children and young people who are undertaking caring roles and the numbers of families who rely on the care of a young person for their care needs because this can impact negatively on a young person's well-being

#### Have your say !

We are running a public consultation on our Plan and want you to Have Your Say.

There are a number of ways you can give us your views:

Online - visit [www.npt.gov.uk/haveyoursay](http://www.npt.gov.uk/haveyoursay)

Paper copies and feedback forms of the Plan can be found at the venues below:

- Neath Civic Centre
- Port Talbot Civic Centre
- The Quays
- CVS offices, Alfred Street , Neath



Please respond by 3rd November 2018

#### Corporate Plan Objectives

Our Plan is in line with NPT's Well-being Objectives:

**Well-being Objective 1** -To improve the well-being of children and young people: "*All of our children and young people have the best start in life, so they can be the best they can be*"

The well-being of all children and young people who live in the county borough is prioritised, at all stages of childhood through to the point where young people become adults.

**Well-being Objective 2** - To improve the well-being of all adults who live in the county borough "*Everyone participates fully in community life – socially and economically*"

This focuses on the well-being of people throughout their adulthood, and also takes a life course approach.