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To: Children, Families and Education Policy Overview Committee - 19 September 2008

Subject: *Towards 2010* - Second Annual Report

Classification: Unrestricted

Summary: This report sets out the process for finalising the second *Towards 2010* Annual Report prior to approval by County Council on 16 October and attaches a draft of the report (for the Children, Families and Education targets) for Members' comment.

FOR INFORMATION

Introduction

1. *Towards 2010* was formally launched in September 2006. Annual reports on progress against all 63 targets are discussed and approved by County Council each autumn.

Format

2. Feedback from members has been taken into account in finalising the layout of this year's Annual Report and each separate report for each target includes the following elements:

- Status of the target (Either 'More progress needed', 'On course' or 'Done and ongoing')
- List of partners with whom we are delivering this target
- Progress to date
- Work planned between now and 2010
- Measurable indicators (where relevant – as agreed at County Council in December 2007).

Summary

3. (1) Those *Towards 2010* targets relevant to this committee are shown in the table below together with the relevant status: please note that status is still draft waiting for the Leader to approve designation.

(2) Please note that CFE also contributes to a number of other targets that are owned and monitored by other Directorates

Towards 2010 Target	Status
10. Improve the quality of Early Years education by strengthening links between pre-schools/nurseries, and primary schools, thereby improving children's ability to learn when they enter primary school	On course

11. Help and inspire all our children to do well, with a particular focus on ensuring that the results our 7 and 11 year-olds achieve at Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2 improve faster than the national rate.	On course
12. Work with Headteachers to encourage a zero tolerance approach towards disruptive behaviour, bullying and vandalism in our schools.	On course
13. Continue to offer and develop further multi agency support to parents by helping them with the problems they and their children face in everyday life	On course
14. Listen to young peoples views and opinions and develop their ideas to improve education and life in Kent	On course
17. Double the number of participants on Skill Force type programmes	On course
51. Promote healthy eating in children and young people by providing nutritious lunches through the "Healthy Schools" programme and launch a range of community-based healthy eating pilots aimed at parents and carers.	Done and on going
Joint with E&R	
Target 30: Work towards introducing a Kent youth travel card entitling all 11-16 year olds to free public transport in the county, subject to the outcome of two district pilots	
31. Pilot staggered school hours to relieve rush hour congestion	On course
14-24 unit returns Joint CFE and CED/E&R	
Target 6: Increase opportunities for graduates to work and live in Kent (joint with E&R)	More progress needed
15. Introduce an entitlement to the very best careers guidance for all 13-19 year old students and raise the expectations and aspirations of our young people through master classes presented by businesses, entrepreneurs and academics	More progress needed
16. Expand our pioneering 14-16 vocational programme to over 4,000 students, offering real choice in a diverse and stimulating curriculum tailored to the needs of students and relevant to the real world.	On course
Target 18: Introduce a Kent Apprenticeship scheme, offering at least 1,000 apprenticeship opportunities across the private and public sectors (joint with CED)	On course
Target 19: Introduce the Kent Community Programme, building teams of apprentices to participate in community projects (joint with CED)	On course
Target 20: Build strong business-education partnerships that benefit both employers and schools (joint with CED)	More progress needed

Joint with Communities	
Target 22: Establish a biennial Kent Youth Games and support Kent sports men and women to compete in the 2012 London Olympics and Paralympics	On course
Target 47: Create and launch initiatives that facilitate more competitive sport in schools, support after-school sports clubs and sponsor more inter-school competitions and holiday sports programmes	On course
Joint with Adult services return	
Target 55: Ensure better planning to ease the transition between childhood and adulthood for young people with disabilities and to promote their independence	On course

Please note that where targets are cross-directorate they will be reported to all relevant Policy Overview Committees.

Approval process

4. (1) The draft Annual Report will be discussed at Cabinet on 13 October prior to approval at County Council on 16 October.

(2) The draft Annual Report will be discussed at the September meetings of all Policy Overview Committees to enable Members to comment on the early draft prior to its finalisation for the Cabinet and County Council meetings.

(3) Each Policy Overview Committee will receive the draft reports on the relevant targets relating to their committee's accountabilities. Attached is a draft of the reports for the CFE related targets as listed in the above table.

Recommendations

5. Members are asked to COMMENT on the attached drafts.

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