

BRIEFING TO OLDHAM HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD

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Report Title: Ofsted/CQC Inspection and Progress on Written Statement of Action (WSOA) Sept/Oct 2018

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Requirement from the Health and Wellbeing Board: To note the contents of this briefing and progress made since the last update to the H&W Board in September 2018.

Background:

At the 25 September 2018 meeting of the Health & Wellbeing Board, a detailed update was provided on progress against the Written Statement of Action (WSOA) relating to the SEND Inspection. This briefing provides a further update given SEND is a standing agenda item of the Health and Wellbeing Board.

What the issue is (if any):

The final bi-monthly joint monitoring/support meeting with Department of Education (DfE) and NHS England took place on 26 September 2018.

The outcome of this meeting was very positive with confirmation of the forward direction of travel and continuous improvements made across all areas of the WSOA. It was agreed that 4 of the 5 priority areas of the WSOA are now RAG rated 'Green' with recognition of the work being progressed on the remaining 'Amber' priority area in relation to Education Health Care Plans.

The DfE/NHS England acknowledged that there is clear and accountable ownership of the SEND agenda across the local SEND partnership with commitment on a continued focus on SEND from senior leaders. The involvement and engagement of parents and carers in the SEND governance structure in ensuring a truly collaborative and co-productive system was also acknowledged.

The DfE will draft a final report on Oldham's progress against the WSOA and submit this to the Minister. The outcomes of this report will be communicated via a letter from the Minister.

Recommendations:

The H&W Board is asked to note:

- the contents of this briefing;
- the positive progress made against the WSOA since the last update in September 2018; and
- that a detailed update will be provided to the Health and Wellbeing Board once the Minister has provided a response to the report from the DfE on Oldham's progress against the WSOA.