

Report to:	CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE'S SCRUTINY COMMITTEE
Relevant Officer:	Pauline Wigglesworth, HeadStart Programme Leader
Date of Meeting:	27 January 2022

HEADSTART UPDATE

1.0 Purpose of the report:

1.1 To receive an update on the activity of the HeadStart Programme and the wider Resilience Revolution.

2.0 Recommendation(s):

2.1 To consider the update and the contents of the Resilience Revolution Annual Report.

3.0 Reasons for recommendation(s):

3.1 For Members of the Children and Young People's Scrutiny Committee to be aware of the work of HeadStart.

3.2 Is the recommendation contrary to a plan or strategy adopted or approved by the Council? No

3.3 Is the recommendation in accordance with the Council's approved budget? Yes

4.0 Other alternative options to be considered:

4.1 None.

5.0 Council priority:

5.1 The relevant Council priority is:

- Communities: Creating stronger communities and increasing resilience.

6.0 Background information

6.1 The HeadStart programme is funded by The National Lottery Community Fund (TNLCF) as part of its strategic programmes, with an investment of 13 million over six years to test and learn new ways of supporting youth mental health. Blackpool is one of six sites nationally and has developed a community approach to building a resilient town for young people to grow up and thrive in, under the banner of the Resilience Revolution.

6.2 TNLCF funding ceases on 31 July 2022 and there has been rigorous attention to sustainability over the last 12 months, with funding for successful projects being identified.

6.3 The annual report attached at Appendix 5(a) outlines the key activity and evaluated outcomes achieved. The report has been co-produced alongside young people and parent/carers, practitioners, leaders and academics. The presentation of the report hopes to enable the information to be as accessible as possible to a wide range of people.

6.4 Does the information submitted include any exempt information? No

7.0 List of Appendices:

7.1 Appendix 5(a) - Resilience Revolution Annual Report 2020/2021
Appendix 5(b) - State of the Nation submission 2021

8.0 Financial considerations:

8.1 None.

9.0 Legal considerations:

9.1 None.

10.0 Risk management considerations:

10.1 The HeadStart programme has a full risks and issues register to monitor and address as appropriate.

11.0 Equalities considerations:

11.1 A robust approach to inequalities is embedded in the ethos and practice of the HeadStart programme.

12.0 Sustainability, climate change and environmental considerations:

12.1 None.

13.0 Internal/external consultation undertaken:

13.1 The HeadStart programme has a fundamental of co-producing its strategy and activity alongside the wider community.

14.0 Background papers:

14.1 None.