A Portsmouth deal with parents and families

A Portsmouth vision:

In Portsmouth we believe that parents are key partners in helping children and young people to achieve their very best. We think that in order to make real changes, which has an impact for generations to come, we all need to take responsibility for how we play our own role. Our role may be as a parent, it may be to deliver important services or to make decision which affect the way residents live in Portsmouth.

The Portsmouth Deal with Parents is an agreement between parents, the wider community, public services (the council, health and the Police), the voluntary and community sector (including HomeStart, Motivate, xxx) and others who are important to the city (businesses and employers).



In Portsmouth we will work together to make sure that our children have every opportunity to grow up knowing how to:

- Be Healthy
- Stay Safe
- Respect and support each other
- Enjoy and achieve
- Make a positive contribution
- Achieve economic wellbeing



Parents will:

- Consult with parents how do they think they will achieve this?
- Support their children to fully engage with their education
- Know what helps children to grow and develop
- Provide a nutritious diet and opportunities to be physically active
- Be a good role model (good social conduct)
- Help their children understand what they can do to create a kinder community
- Share problems we notice with the council and other agencies



Public services will:

- Deliver high-quality services, including; education, community policing, health provision, community workshops and space for families to play and grow
- Value, respect and support parents throughout their journey
- Listening with fascination to your stories, needs and ideas
- Help to build your ability to tackle challenges and bounce back from disappointment
- Make opportunities available to meaningfully engage with families across the full range of services we deliver



Our community sector will:

- Understand the needs of children, parents and the wider community in Portsmouth
- Deliver highly-valued activities and support, which meet the needs of the whole city
- Support parents and their children to become involved in community activities and advocacy



Employers will:

- Understand the importance of parents in the workforce, being flexible and supportive in how they employ them
- Work with the system to ensure decisions they take support parents and children
- Develop and understanding of and work closely with key strategies in Portsmouth, for example the maternity, children and young people's physical health

Making sure we do what we have committed to

This deal will be overseen and monitored through xxx. They will support us to celebrate our successes and hold each other to account when things are not going well. They will do this through regular meetings and managing the following action plan:

Activity area 1 - Healthy children		
Strategic Lead		
Objective		
Activity outline	I.	
	II.	
What will success look like?		
When will we do this?		

Activity area 2 - Safe children		
Strategic Lead		
Objective		
Activity outline	I.	
	II.	
What will success look like?		
When will we do this?		

Activity area 3 - Children who enjoy and achieve		
Strategic Lead		
Objective		
Activity outline	I.	
	ll.	
	III.	
What will success look like?		
When will we do this?		