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<b>Subject:</b>	Family Drug and Alcohol Court (FDAC)
<p><b>Presenting Officer and Organisation</b></p>  	<p>Gemma Hatfield FDAC Service Manager</p> <p>FDAC is a national court model, and Change Grow Live (CGL) are the commissioned provider for the Black Country.</p>
<b>Purpose of Report</b>	<p>Invited to present by Councillor Suzanne Hartwell.</p> <p>To raise awareness of FDAC and the outcomes achieved for families.</p> <p>To encourage partnership working and consideration in future funding streams.</p>

**1. Recommendations**

- 1.1 That the Board discuss the work of FDAC, the outcomes achieved and how there can be collaborative working to sustain and develop the program.

## 2. Links to Workstreams Set out in the Health and Wellbeing Strategy

<b>Healthy Communities</b>	Yes – achieving higher rates of reduction or abstinence of parental substance misuse
<b>Primary Care</b>	Reducing the impact of mental health on parents and children – a trauma informed approach. Providing psychological support to parents and offering psychology placement training opportunities.
<b>Integrated Town Teams</b>	Integrated pathway with children’s services. Partnership working within the community.
<b>Intermediate Care</b>	Working on sustainability of care – offering stabilisation work and supporting access to community services
<b>Care Navigation</b>	Multi-disciplinary team providing a person-centred approach to support.

## 3. Context and Key Issues

3.1 Sustainability of program.

## 4. Engagement

Rigorous data recording is in place to report on a local and national scale. Parent and professional feedback is regularly obtained. Local steering group comprising of key stakeholders is held every 2 months. National independent evaluations have taken place through Lancaster University, Research In Practice and What Works Centre for Children’s Social Care.

## 5. Implications

<b>Resources:</b>	Multi-disciplinary team, with outcomes achieved across partners. To sustain the program funding could be from across sectors. Shared resources such as venue use.
<b>Legal and Governance:</b>	Less adversarial approach to supporting families. Models are aligned with standard PLO process.
<b>Risk:</b>	No direct risk implications.
<b>Equality:</b>	FDAC is not a prescriptive package of support but tailored to each parent, each families needs.
<b>Health and Wellbeing:</b>	Reducing the impact of primary and secondary adverse childhood experiences (ACE’s). Working with a parent to help them address their issues in order to provide a safe enough environment for their child/ren.

<b>Social Value:</b>	Supporting parents to access local volunteering or job opportunities. Providing placement training for social work students and psychologists.
<b>Climate Change:</b>	No direct implications relating to climate change.
<b>Corporate Parenting:</b>	Reducing the number of families entering court care proceedings. Increasing the number of children reunified with their parents / families.

## 6. Appendices

Presentation

## 7. Background Papers

None