# The Best Start in Life Programme

### Purpose

1. This report introduces Helen Freeman from Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Public Health team who will present the Best Start in Life programme.

#### Key issues

- 2. The Best Start in Life programme brings together public and community health, maternity services, children's commissioning, early year's education and early help teams working together with voluntary sector partners to develop a strategy and design a place-based delivery model that supports outcomes for children pre-birth to 5.
- 3. The work undertaken by Healthwatch Cambridgeshire and Peterborough to look at people's experiences of accessing NHS dental services has shown that children's oral health is a major concern with the number of extractions increasing significantly.

## Action required by the Board

- 4. The Board is asked to:
  - Note and discuss the presentation.

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