

## Education and Children's Services (2)

Scrutiny Work Programme 2016/17

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<b>16<sup>th</sup> June 16</b>			
	Improvement Board updates (standing item)	A standing item as agreed by Council reporting progress against the areas identified in the improvement notice.	John Gregg Cllr Ruane
<b>21<sup>st</sup> July 16</b>	Early Help Strategy progress report	To receive a progress report on the Early Help Strategy including the Strengthening Families. Also to include hard to engage families (see SCR recommendations)	John Gregg Fran Doyle Cllr Ruane
	SCR	The Board will consider recommendations from a serious case review.	
	Recruitment and Retention of Social Work Staff (task and finish group)	Members wanted to look in depth at the recruitment of social workers including consideration of reasons for lack of interest in previous recruitment campaigns and remuneration and responsibility levels of social workers. To include reputational factors as well.	John Gregg Cllr Ruane
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<b>15<sup>th</sup> September 16</b>	'Stepping Up' and 'Stepping Down' Process for Social Care cases.	Following the Boards consideration of the SCR on Baby C Members requested more information on the new processes implemented as a result of the recommendations	John Gregg
	Quality Assurance Auditing	Following the Boards consideration of the SCR on Baby C Members requested more information on the auditing of case work to ensure consistency and quality of practice	John Gregg
	Improvement Board updates (standing item)	A standing item as agreed by Council reporting progress against the areas identified in the improvement notice.	John Gregg Cllr Ruane
<b>13<sup>th</sup> October 16</b>	Supervision of Social Care Staff recommendations – progress report (October)	A progress report on the recommendations accepted by the Cabinet Member on 14/4/16	John Gregg Cllr Ruane
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<b>12<sup>th</sup> January 17</b>	MASH update - progress report	Following the meeting in January 2016, Members requested a further progress update, particularly in relation to the recommendations made.	
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<b>9<sup>th</sup> February 17</b>	Children's Social Care Workforce Strategy – Feb 2017 – progress report	Following the introduction of the Workforce Strategy at their meeting on 25 February, Members requested a further progress report	John Gregg Cllr Ruane
	Improvement Board updates (standing item)	A standing item as agreed by Council reporting progress against the areas identified in the improvement notice.	John Gregg Cllr Ruane
<b>9<sup>th</sup> March 17</b>	Monitoring of SCR recommendations from 15/16	The Board wanted to know how the outcomes of recommendations from SCR's are monitored and whether implemented recommendations have been effective in protecting children	Cat Parker
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<b>Proposed Agenda Items</b>	Teen pregnancy and PSHE in schools	To consider what schools are doing to support the Teenage Pregnancy Strategy and how the Council is supporting them	Kirston Nelson, Nadia Ingliss Judith Simmonds

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			Cllr Maton
	Consultation on proposed changes to the school transport service.	Following the change in timescales to implementation of changes Members requested that the Board considers the new proposals as part of the new consultation process.	Jeanette Essex Cllr Maton
	Health Visiting Contract	Members wanted to know more about the current health visiting contract particularly Health Visitors involvement in CAF's.	Cllr Ruane
	Staying Put Policy and Preparation for Leaving Care	To look in more detail at the Staying Put Policy, involving representation from the Foster Carers Association. The report should cover promotion of the policy with young people, children social work support at 18, financial support to Foster Carers.  The Voice of the Child Task and Finish Group raised the issue of independence training and the Chair suggested that it be looked at separately. To include input from foster carers and care leavers as well as Route 21.	John Gregg Jivan Sembi Cllr Ruane
	Youth Offending Service	An update on progress of the Youth Offending Service	Angie Parks Cllr Ruane
	Family Drugs and Alcohol Court	Progress on the work of the FDAC	John Gregg
	Voices of Care – progress report	Members requested regular updates on the work and benefits of the Voices of Care Council, including the results of surveys with LAC	Sheila Bates
	Young Carers	Referred from the Corporate Parenting Board, to look at support offered to children and young people who are carers, especially those that are children in need, child protection or who come into care because of the health of their parents.	
	Serious Case reviews	The Board will consider recommendations from serious case reviews when they are published. To also include Wisteria Lodge investigation.	Cat Parker/Hardeep Walker Cllr Ruane/Janet Mokades

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	Changes to adoption agency	A regional adoption agency has been established. Members wanted a progress report and information on performance	John Gregg Cllr Ruane
	Commissioned Services	Members requested further information about commissioned services and how contracts are awarded and monitored, including Barnardo's	John Gregg/Sally Giles Cllr Ruane
	Residential Care	Members requested information on residential care provided by both the local authority and commissioned services (to be considered with the above item)	John Gregg/Sally Giles Cllr Ruane
	Unaccompanied Asylum Seeking Children (briefing)	Members requested to be kept up to date on numbers of UASC in the city and services to support them	John Gregg
	CAMHS	A follow up and progress report on work done with SB5 last year, especially in terms of prescription drug use. Also a task and finish group to investigate why there significantly high number of referrals through CAMHS on the ASD pathway.	Jacqueline Barnes
	Academisation Programme	The Board wanted to consider the implications of the Government white paper and the proposals for all schools to become academies by 2020.	Kirston Nelson Cllr Maton