#### Education and Children's Services Scrutiny Board (2) Work Programme 2024-25

# Last updated 5th March 2025

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## 11<sup>th</sup> July 24

Early Years Strategy

## 12th September 24 - cancelled

#### 17<sup>th</sup> October 24

Family Valued and Reunification Project

Child-friendly Cov

#### 28th November 24

Cost of Children's Placements (Update Report)

HAF Update

Social Worker Recruitment and Retention

### 16<sup>th</sup> January 25

Safeguarding Board Annual Report

Attendance - changes to statutory guidance

## 13th February 25

School Performance

Children's LGA Peer Challenge

# 13th March 25 PM (moved from 27th March 25)

SEND Strategy

Section 19 Policy

## 10<sup>th</sup> April 2025

Early Help

Support for Care Leavers

## Items for 2024-25

Youth Provision in Coventry

Health and Wellbeing in Schools

Family Health and Lifestyles Service - heath inequalities

### Items for 2025-26

Early Years Strategy

Progress on Peer Review Action Plan

Pilot to Reduce Exclusions

#### Items taken for information

Adoption Service Annual Reports - November

Fostering Annual Report - November

Education One Strategic Plan

Date	Title	Detail	Cabinet Member/ Lead Officer
11 <sup>th</sup> July 24	Early Years Strategy	Following a report on the Early Years Strategy, Members requested a further item including progress on and more detail on the Saplings Programme, as well as strategies to support reading in the early years. To invite Chair of SB5	Rachael Sugars Cllr Sandhu
12 <sup>th</sup> September 24 - cancelled			
17 <sup>th</sup> October 24	Family Valued and Reunification Project	A progress and impact report	Cllr Seaman Sukriti Sen
	Child-friendly Cov	A progress and impact report on the Child Friendly Coventry project	Cllr Seaman Sukriti Sen
28 <sup>th</sup> November 24	Cost of Children's Placements (Update Report)	At their meeting on 23 <sup>rd</sup> November 2023, Member requested an update item to report on progress in addressing the cost of placements	Sukriti Sen Cllr Seaman
	HAF Update	To consider progress on delivering the HAF programme	Adrian Coles Cllr Sandhu
	Social Worker Recruitment and Retention	A progress update following the previous item in November 2024 – to consider how the use of agency staff has been reduced. To also include work being done to reduce sickness and support the well-being of staff.	Sukriti Sen Cllr Seaman
16 <sup>th</sup> January 25	Safeguarding Board Annual Report		
	Attendance – changes to statutory guidance		
13 <sup>th</sup> February 25	School Performance		
	Children's LGA Peer Challenge	To consider the recommendations from the LGA Peer Challenge on Children's Services	Cllr Seaman Sukriti Sen
13 <sup>th</sup> March 25 PM (moved from 27 <sup>th</sup> March 25)	SEND Strategy	Following on from an item on 18 <sup>th</sup> April 2024 the Board requested an update to be circulated to the Board	Cllr Sandhu Jeannette Essex

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	Section 19 Policy	How the Council will support the education of pupils out of school due to medical reasons	Rachael Sugars Cllr Sandhu
10 <sup>th</sup> April 2025	Early Help	To include workforce plans and placements for apprenticeships etc	Sukriti Sen Cllr Seaman
	Support for Care Leavers	Following a question at SB4 an item was identified to look in more detail at the support offered to care leavers 18-25, including accommodation and the House Project	Cllr Seaman Sukriti Sen Matt Clayton
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	Youth Provision in Coventry	How and where we work with outside partners (and specifically the third sector) to deliver it	Sukriti Sen Cllr Seaman
	Health and Wellbeing in Schools	To look at what is being done to promote health and well- being in schools and universities – including the school nursing service	
	Family Health and Lifestyles Service – heath inequalities	To looking in more detail at how the service is tackling health inequalities and targeting services at those in need on a localised basis. School nurse provision.	Bill McCann, Angela Baker Cllr Caan
Items for 2025-26	Early Years Strategy	To come in 2025 and to include progress on actions requested on 17/7/24 re: oral and dental health	R Sugars Cllr Sandhu
	Progress on Peer Review Action Plan	As a follow up to the item received on 13 Feb 2025, Members requested a more detailed progress report	S Sen Cllr Seaman
	Pilot to Reduce Exclusions	To receive the evaluation report on the pilot programme to reduce exclusions	R Sugars Cllr Sandhu
Items taken for information	Adoption Service Annual Reports – November	Annual report – including information about the diversity of the adoption panel and adopters as well as support to birth mothers after their children have been adopted	Cllr Seaman
	Fostering Annual Report - November	For Members to consider whether a full item is required	Cllr Seaman
	Education One Strategic Plan	To tie in with the Cabinet Report due in February. To provide previous report as background from 18/4/24	Rachael Sugars Cllr Sandhu

# Work Programme Decision Flow Chart

