

Supplementary Papers for Children's Services Overview and Scrutiny Committee

Date: Wednesday, 24 July 2024



12. Forward Plan

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The Children's Services Overview and Scrutiny Committee is asked to consider and identify work priorities for its next meeting pending a wider review of its forward plan at a future meeting.

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Forward Plan – BCP Children’s Services Overview and Scrutiny Committee

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The following forward plan items are suggested as early priorities to the Children’s Services O&S Committee by the Chair and Vice Chair, following consultation with officers.

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| 24 July 2024 | | | | | |
| | SEND Improvement Update | To receive an update | Committee Report | TBC | |
| | Child Exploitation working group | To consider the findings of the working group | Committee Report | Cllr Burton | |
| | Virtual School Headteachers Annual Report 2022/23 | To enable the Committee to consider this report | Information only report - circulated via email | | |
| | Education Improvement report | To enable the Committee to consider this report | Information only report - circulated via email | | |
| 16 September 24 – Social care themed | | | | | |
| | CS Improvements Update | To receive an update on CS Improvements | Committee Report | Cathi Hadley, Corporate Director for Children’s Services | |

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| | Environmental Health Service Powers | To advise the Committee of the extent of environmental health services powers to ensure the remit of housing is of good quality and fit for purpose | TBC | Kelly Deane, Director of Housing and Cathi Hadley, Corporate Director for Children's Services | Requested at Committee |
| | CS Budget | To receive a presentation on the proposed CS budget | Committee Report | Cathi Hadley, Corporate Director for Children's Services | |
| | O&S Annual report | To note the information only report | Committee Report | Lindsay Marshall, Scrutiny Specialist | |
| | Q4 Corporate KPIs | To note the information only report | Committee Report | Rina Mistry | |
| 27 November 24 – Education themed | | | | | |
| | School Permanent Exclusions and Suspensions | To receive an update following consideration at Committee in January 24 | Committee Report | Kelly Twitchen, Virtual School Headteacher | Added following Committee of 23 1 24. |
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| DATE to be allocated | | | | | |

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| | Annual report from Corporate Parenting Board to include information on Children in Care To include details of any protected characteristics detailed within the Equalities Act | To enable the Committee to maintain oversight of this issue and target scrutiny as required. | Committee Report? | TBC | |
| | Review of alternative Provision | To enable the Committee to consider the outcome of the review | Committee Report | Coming in Sept 24 | Requested at Committee on 7/2/23 |
| Information Briefings | | | | | |
| | None arranged | | | | |
| Commissioned Work Work commissioned by the Committee (for example task and finish groups and working groups) is listed below: Note – to provide sufficient resource for effective scrutiny, one item of commissioned work will run at a time. Further commissioned work can commence upon completion of previous work. | | | | | |
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| Update Items The following items of information have been requested as updates to the Committee. | | | | | |

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| The Committee may wish to receive these in an alternative to format to Committee updates (e.g. by emailed briefing note outside of the Committee) to reserve capacity in Committee meetings for items of value-added scrutiny. | | | | | |
| • | Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) To receive KPIs to include updates on CMOEs and NEETs | To enable the Committee to maintain oversight of this issue and target scrutiny as required. | To be received quarterly. | Rina Mistry Head of Performance (Interim) – Children's Services | RG to consider best way to report to CS O&S |
| Annual Reports | | | | | |
| • | Virtual School Head Annual Report | To enable the Committee to maintain oversight of this issue and target scrutiny as required. | To be received annually in January. | Kelly Twitchen, Head of Virtual School | Circulated to Committee in March 24 |
| • | School Admissions Arrangements for community and maintained schools | To enable the Committee to maintain oversight of this issue and target scrutiny as required. | To be reported next in Sept or Nov 2022 | Sarah Rempel, Director of Education | |
| • | Youth Offending Service Annual Youth Justice Plan | To enable consideration before approval at Cabinet and Council | June 2024? | David Webb, Service Manager, Dorset YJS | |
| • | Annual Report from CPB to include info on CIC | To provide the Committee with an update on the work being done by the CPB | TBC | TBC | |

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| • | Annual Report – Complaints and Compliments | For the Committee to receive this report | Information only report via email | | Circulated to Committee in March 24 |
| • | Annual Report IRO service | For the Committee to receive this report | Information only report via email | | Circulated to Committee in Nov 23 |

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