

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.

	Subject and background	Anticipated benefits and value to be added by O&S engagement	How will the scrutiny be done?	Lead Officer	Report Information
25 January 2022					
	Virtual School Head Annual report	To enable the Committee to maintain oversight of this issue and target scrutiny as required.	Committee Report (every January)	Kelly Twitchen, Head of Virtual School	Requested via email on 8/4 by Debra Jones
	Update on Youth Justice Plan – New Entrants	To enable the Committee to maintain oversight of this issue and target scrutiny as required.	Committee Report	David Webb, Manager, Youth Offending Service	Requested at Committee on 8/6/21.
	Academy Update Workforce Planning	To enable the Committee to maintain oversight of this issue and target scrutiny as required.	Committee Report	Rachel Gravett,	Added by Elaine on 27/9
	School Admissions Arrangements 2023/24 for community and maintained schools	To consider any feedback from Consultation before consideration by Cabinet	Committee Report	Angie Hill	

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	Sufficiency Strategy Update	To enable the Committee to maintain oversight of this issue and target scrutiny as required.	Powerpoint presentation	Sarah Langdale	Requested at Committee on 8/6/21.
22 March 2022					
	Children's Services Transformation – through MTFP	To enable the Committee to maintain oversight of this issue and target scrutiny as required.		Elaine / DCS	Added by Elaine on 27/9
	SEND Improvement Plan Update	To enable the Committee to maintain oversight of this issue and target scrutiny as required.		Sarah Rempel	Added by Elaine on 27/9
	Full Inspection of Local Authority Children's Services report and Ofsted Improvement Plan	To enable the Committee to maintain oversight of this issue and target scrutiny as required.			Added by Elaine on 27/9
	Post-16 Provision and Youth Offer – to include apprenticeship programme and provision for those without good GCSE	To enable the Committee to maintain oversight of this issue and target scrutiny as required.	Committee Report	Kelly Twitchen Head Teacher Virtual School Inclusion and Family Services Children's Services	

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	Members of Youth Parliament – Annual Report and welcome New Members	To enable the Committee to consider the work of the Youth Parliament Members	Committee Report	MYPs and Becky McDade	
	Home to Transport	To enable the Committee to consider the consultation results before Cabinet	Committee Report	Angie Hill	
7 June 2022					
	Child Exploitation to inc info on County Lines and knife crime	To enable the Committee to maintain oversight of this issue and target scrutiny as required.	Committee Report	Children's Services, Adults and Police	Requested at planning session
	Youth Offending Service Annual Youth Justice Plan	To enable the Committee to consider before Cabinet and Council approval	Committee Report	David Webb, Youth Offending Service	Annual report
	Covid update – lasting impact to include academic progress and mental health	To enable the Committee to maintain oversight of this issue and target scrutiny as required.	Committee Report	Sarah Rempel, Director of Education	Recurring item requested by Committee
	SEND Improvement journey?				

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26 July 2022					
DATE to be allocated					
1.	Safety to and from school	To provide the Committee with an overview	Committee Report	Children's Services and Transportation Services	To be scheduled in 2022.
2.	School results	To provide the Committee with an overview	Committee Report – possible info only		To be scheduled in September 2022
3.	Harmonisation Report	To provide the Committee with an overview	Committee Report	Lucy Eldred, HR	Delayed by CS Officers as further work was required Advised on 1/9 not coming
4.	Update on Longspee School/BLC project	To enable the Committee to maintain oversight of this	Committee Report	Terry Reynolds?	Requested at Committee on 8/6/21

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		issue and target scrutiny as required.			
5.	Report 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	Brian Relph, Interim Service Director, Children's and Young People's Social Care	Delayed at the request of CS Officers due to capacity within Children's Services and the need to prioritise
6.	Child Exploitation To include an update on County Lines and knife crime.	To enable the Committee to maintain oversight of this issue and target scrutiny as required.	Committee Report – all Member briefing taking place 2 March - TBC	Lynn McIntosh, Strategic Lead Complex Safeguarding and Quality Assurance	
7.	All Age Autism Review Project	To enable the Committee to be advised and contribute to this Dorset wide review	TBC	James Greenhalgh, Dorset CCG	Requested by CCG via email on 22/10/21.
Information Briefing – date to be arranged					
	Children's Social Care Permanence Planning	To provide the Committee with information on the processes	Informal briefing	Jane White, Director of Children's Social Care	

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	Social Work website	To provide the Committee with information regarding the social work website	Informal briefing	Jane White, Director of Children's Social Care	
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.					
•	Visit to MASH (to be arranged when restrictions allow)	To enable Committee Members to gain insight into front line services	Shadowing	Brian Relph, Interim Service Director, Children's and Young People's Social Care	
Update Items The following items of information have been requested as updates to the Committee. 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.					
•	Children in Care To receive updated information at regular intervals on this matter, including how the council has effected positive	To enable the Committee to maintain oversight of this issue and target scrutiny as required.	To be received quarterly.	Brian Relph, Interim Service Director, Children's and Young People's Social Care	

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	change in relation to these figures.				
•	Child Exploitation To receive updated information at regular intervals on this matter, including how the council has effected positive change in relation to these figures.	To enable the Committee to maintain oversight of this issue and target scrutiny as required.	To be received quarterly. Report to be presented in June 2022	Lynn McIntosh, Strategic Lead Complex Safeguarding and Quality Assurance	
•	Assurance of the impact of the Pan-Dorset Youth Offending Services Board To include a snapshot updates of entrance numbers to the Youth Offending Services.	To enable the Committee to maintain oversight of this issue and target scrutiny as required.	Data to be received six monthly.	David Webb, Youth Offending Service	
•	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.	TBC	
Annual Reports					

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•	Virtual School Head Annual report	To enable the Committee to maintain oversight of this issue and target scrutiny as required.	To be received annually	TBC	
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