

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

Updated 22 7 24

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
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.
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