

Children and Young People Scrutiny Committee

28 July 2020

Work Programme 2020/21

Meeting date: 2 June 2020 – 1.00 p.m.		Despatch: 22 May	
Item	Description	Report Author	Form of Scrutiny*
Review of performance and progress against the Safeguarding and Family Support improvement plan.	To review progress against the improvement plan produced in response to the Ofsted Inspection of Local Authority Children's Services (ILACS) inspection judgement of June 2018 and the subsequent Safeguarding and Family Support division improvement plan.	Liz Elgar	Performance Review
Child Exploitation task and finish group – outcomes and recommendations	To receive the outcomes and recommendations of the child exploitation task and finish group.	Matthew Evans	Policy review and development
Meeting date: 28 July 2020 – 1.00 p.m.		Despatch: 20 July	
Schools update	To provide an update on the reopening of schools including detail of the number of children who have returned to school and how schools will continue to support children who have not returned. The report should include detail the known situation of the mental health impact and educational deficit experienced by pupils during the lockdown.	Ceri Morgan/Alison Naylor	Performance review
Corporate Parenting Strategy – 2020-2023	To consider the Corporate Parenting Strategy 2020-2023 and the Care Leavers covenant.	Gill Cox	Pre-decision scrutiny
Adoption Service and Fostering Service annual reports	To receive the annual reports from the adoption and fostering services and consider the outcomes and recommendations. To make recommendations to the cabinet member on the operation of the services during 2020/21.	Gill Cox	Performance review
Meeting date: 15 September 2020 – 1.00 p.m.		Despatch: 7 September	

Review of peer on peer abuse cases	To provide the outcome of the review (including lessons learned) into cases of peer on peer abuse referred to the Multi Agency Safeguarding Hub (MASH).	Ceri Morgan	Performance Review
Review of performance and progress against the Safeguarding and Family Support improvement plan	To review progress against the improvement plan produced in response to the Ofsted Inspection of Local Authority Children's Services (ILACS) inspection judgement of June 2018 and the subsequent Safeguarding and Family Support division improvement plan.	Liz Elgar	Performance Review
Impact of pandemic on opportunities for school and care leavers	To provide a report concerning how the council is intending to address the impact on school and care leavers of the potential economic downturn and reduced employment opportunities caused by the COVID-19 pandemic.	Ceri Morgan	Performance Review
Decision on accommodation and support framework for care leavers	To conduct pre-decision scrutiny on developing proposals for a local contract framework for purchasing accommodation based services for care leavers and other vulnerable young people ahead of a key decision in 2020.	Ewen Archibald, Christa Jackson	Pre-decision call-in
Meeting date: 1 December 2020 – 1.00 p.m. <i>Date subject to change in accordance with the budget 2021/22 timetable</i>			
		Despatch: 23 November	
Budget and Medium Term Financial Strategy (MTFS)	To seek the views of the committee on the draft medium term financial strategy (MTFS), the budget proposals for 2021-22 relating to Children and Families.	Andrew Lovegrove, Josie Rushgrove	Pre-decision call-in/Policy review and development
Update on reducing the number of looked after children (LAC)	Updates concerning efforts to reduce the number of looked after children (LAC). To include an update on the 49 cases presented to the meeting on 25 November 2019 that had been identified for Special Guardianship Orders (SGOs) or reunification.	Liz Elgar	Performance Review
Review of performance and progress against the Safeguarding and Family Support improvement plan	To review progress against the improvement plan produced in response to the Ofsted Inspection of Local Authority Children's Services (ILACS) inspection judgement of June 2018 and the subsequent Safeguarding and Family Support division improvement plan.	Liz Elgar	Performance Review
Meeting date: 2 February 2021 – 1.00 p.m. <i>Date subject to change in accordance with the budget 2021/22 timetable</i>			
		Despatch: 25 January	

Budget and Medium Term Financial Strategy (MTFS)	To seek the views of the committee on the draft medium term financial strategy (MTFS), the budget proposals for 2021-22 relating to Children and Families.	Andrew Lovegrove, Josie Rushgrove	Pre-decision call-in/Policy review and development
Meeting date: 23 March 2021 – 1.00 p.m.		Despatch: 15 March	
School Examination Performance	To consider school performance of summer 2020 and make recommendations to cabinet on how the effectiveness of the school improvement framework and strategy could be enhanced.	Alison Naylor	Performance review
Review of performance and progress against the Safeguarding and Family Support improvement plan	To review progress against the improvement plan produced in response to the Ofsted Inspection of Local Authority Children's Services (ILACS) inspection judgement of June 2018 and the subsequent Safeguarding and Family Support division improvement plan.	Liz Elgar	Performance Review

Business to allocate in 2020/21

- Access to Child and adolescent mental health services (CAMHS) and Speech and Language Therapy – **Briefing note to be provided**
- Early Help Strategy – policy review and development item – scrutiny panel - **Proposed**
- Not in Education, Employment or Training (NEETs) – task and finish group – **Proposed**

Youth Justice Plan	To endorse the Youth Justice Plan 2020/21 for approval by full Council and consider whether there are any comments the committee would wish to make that would inform the production of the Plan for 2021/22. A representative of West Mercia police will also be invited to the meeting.	Youth Offending Team	Performance Review
Oral Health Needs Assessment	To provide a report on the high-level action plan for improving oral health in Herefordshire and details of any progress against the recommendations in the oral health needs assessment.	Public Health	Performance Review
Childhood obesity	Update on work of the council to address childhood obesity – to be scheduled for a meeting in 2021	Public Health	Performance Review

Report of work of prevent and disrupt group to address child exploitation	To provide detail on the work of the prevent and disrupt group to address child exploitation in Herefordshire	Liz Elgar	Performance Review
Briefing note concerning the NEETs project			Briefing note
Outcome of the audit of the reduction in child protection plans			Briefing note
Current risk of exploitation in Herefordshire			Briefing note
Public Health England BSIL Programme			Briefing note

* *Pre-decision call-in, Performance review, Policy review and development*