Children and Young People Scrutiny Committee

1 December 2020

Work Programme 2020/21

| Item | Description | Report Author | Form of Scrutiny* |
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| 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 |

| 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 |
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| 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. | Andy Gill | 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. Despatch: 23 November | | | |
| 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. | Andy Gill | Performance Review |
| Child Exploitation Task and Finish Group | To receive an update on the work undertaken in response to the recommendations of the Child Exploitation task and finish group. | Action owners | Policy review and development |
| Meeting date: 12 January 2021 – 1.00 p.m. Despatch: 4 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 |
| Paediatric therapies – task and finish group | To consider a scoping document for a task and finish group concerning access to children and young people's community therapies and performance during the COVID19 pandemic. | Matthew Evans | Policy review and development |

| Meeting dates 2021/22 | To receive the meeting dates of the committee for 2021/22 | | |
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| Meeting date: 23 March 20 | 21 – 1.00 p.m. Despat | ch: 15 March | |
| Children and Young People's mental health | To include: - A review of schools pastoral support and a mental health pathway for looked after children; - Briefing from CCG on CYP mental health and impact of COVID19; and - Presentation by Healthwatch on Schools Mental Health Forum and Youth Watch | Ceri Morgan CCG Healthwatch | |
| School Examination Performance | To consider available data concerning 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. | Andy Gill | Performance Review |
| Work programme 2021/22 | To agree the work programme for the 2021/22 administrative year. | Matt Evans | |

Business to allocate

- Early Help Strategy policy review and development item scrutiny panel *Proposed* Not in Education, Employment or Training (NEETs) task and finish group *Proposed*

| 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 (agenda item) /Briefing note |
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| Childhood obesity | Update on work of the council to address childhood obesity – to be scheduled for a meeting in 2021 | Public Health | Performance Review (agenda item) |
| 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. To | Liz Elgar | Performance Review (agenda item) |

| and the current risk of exploitation in Herefordshire. Child Exploitation summit, to include modern day slavery | facilitate the child exploitation summit to include a focus on modern day slavery. | | |
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| 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 | Briefing Note – potential Performance Review (agenda item) |
| Leaving care and preparing for adulthood | To receive details of what services exist to prepare care leavers and unaccompanied child asylum seekers for adulthood. | Andy Gill | Performance Review/Briefing note |
| 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 |
| Herefordshire Safeguarding Children Partnership (HSCP) annual report | | | Performance Review |
| Elective Home Education and current trends | | | Briefing note |
| Signs of safety briefing | | | Training |

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