

# Children and Young People Overview and Scrutiny Committee 15 January 2019

## Work Programme

### Recommendation

That the Committee reviews its work programme for 2018/19 (as appended)

#### 1.0 Background

This committee's remit is:

'To review and/or scrutinise the provision of public services in Warwickshire relating to education and skills, services for children and young people including schools, 16-19 years education, pre-school children, child protection, family support and social care, children with specific needs and the youth service.'

#### 2.0 Role of the Committee

The Council's Constitution sets out the overall purpose of overview and scrutiny which is to 'assist the council to achieve its corporate aims and objectives and deliver positive outcomes for local people.' The general powers of Overview and Scrutiny Committees (Part 2 Section 8) in summary are to:

- (i) Assist the Council and Cabinet in the development of policy;
- (ii) Review/scrutinise decisions already made
- (iii) Make reports/recommendations (usually to the Cabinet)
- (iv) Question Cabinet Portfolio Holders about issues within the Committee's remit.

#### 3.0 Format of the agendas

The Committee has agreed that each meeting should focus on one or two items in detail as a way of ensuring effective scrutiny. This has meant reducing the number of annual and progress reports but the information will continue to be circulated as briefing or information items (see item 5 on the agenda). The provision of written briefing notes, circulated outside of the meeting, has proved useful as a way of answering specific questions raised at meetings and updating member on progress in key areas. Members can also use the information to form a view on whether there are any areas they consider warrant detailed scrutiny and that should be included as an item in the Committee's work programme.

## 4.0 Current Work Programme

The following changes have been made since the last meeting of the Committee:

### 4.1 Children and Young People's Emotional Wellbeing and Mental Health Services. – 30 January

A joint meeting of Adult Social Care and Health OSC and this Committee is arranged for the afternoon of 30 January 2019 to monitor progress.

In particular the CWPT will

- update members on their performance against their Key Performance Indicators.
- highlight any achievements (including how they have been made) and any areas of concern (including how they will be remedied).
- update members on how children looked after are accessing mental health services.

### 4.2 Closing the Gap – 24 September

To update the Committee on the Closing the Gap Board and revised delivery plan.

4.3 The Committee are invited to consider the attached programme and to suggest items they would like considered for inclusion in the work programme from March onwards.

## 5.0 Dates of Future Meetings

The dates of future meetings of the Committee are 10.00 am on:

12 March 2019

18 June 2019

24 September 2019

26 November 2019

## 6.0 Background Papers

None

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Item	Report /Briefing detail	Date of last Report	Date of meeting
Annual Report CSE, Missing Children, Trafficking	The annual report encompasses all three areas CSE, Missing Children and Trafficking (John Coleman)  <u>Circulated separately as an information report</u>	14 November 2017	25 September 2018
SEND Reforms Update	An update on the SEND reforms to include position on issuing EHC Plans within 20 weeks and number of SEND pupils who have been permanently expelled from school. (Pat Tate).  <u>Circulated separately as an information report</u>	16 January 2018	25 September 2018
Education Entitlement in Warwickshire	This is the key item and focus for the meeting and will include presentations from invitees.	N/A	25 September 2018
Service updates and Questions to Portfolio Holders	The report lists any briefings or service update papers circulated for information (see below) and any items listed in the Council's forward plan for future decision by Cabinet or a Cabinet member. The Committee can ask questions on these or anything within the remit of the portfolio holders/committee.	September 2018	13 November 2018
MASH Annual Report	<u>Circulated separately as an information report</u>	14 November 2017	13 November 2018
NEETS 2017 Performance Report	<u>Circulated separately as an information report</u>		13 November 2018
Ofsted outcomes for 2017/18	<u>Circulated separately as an information report</u>		13 November 2018
One Organisational Plan 2018/19 – Quarterly Performance	To consider Quarter 2 Report.	25 September 2018	13 November 2018

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Children Services	This is the key item for this meeting and will include a number of inter-related aspects (including Early Help, child protection, safeguarding).	N/a	13 November 2018
Educational Attainment	The provisional data on the achievement of young people and children in National Tests.	8 January 2018	15 January 2019
Celebrating Achievements of Children and Young People	<u>Information item</u> on children who were exceeding expectations, in particular those from vulnerable groups or disadvantaged backgrounds.	N/A	15 January 2019
Children and Young People Participation Strategy	Members will be invited to have input into the new strategy	N/A	15 January 2019
Social Worker Retention Policy	<u>Information item.</u>	N/A	15 January 2019
Children and Young People's Emotional Wellbeing and Mental Health Services	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CWPT will update members on their performance against their Key Performance Indicators.</li> <li>• CWPT will highlight any achievements (including how they have been made) and any areas of concern (including how they will be remedied).</li> <li>• CWPT will update members on how children looked after are accessing mental health services.</li> </ul>		30 January 2pm  Joint meeting with Adult Social Care and Health OSC

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Education Strategy Annual Review of Delivery Plan	The Committee on 25 September agreed to monitor progress of WE2a, contributing to the annual review of the delivery plan by Cabinet in June 2019		12 March 2019
One Organisational Plan Quarterly Performance	To consider the Quarter 3 report		12 March 2019
<b>Youth Parliament presentation</b>	<b>Youth Parliament to give an overview of their work/what achieved over the previous year and priorities going forward, including the development of a Curriculum for Life.</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>12 March 2019</b>
One Organisational Plan Quarterly Performance	To consider the 2018/19 outturn report		12 June 2019
<b>Closing the Gap</b> <i>Sophie Thompson.</i>	<b>Update on the Closing the Gap Board and revised delivery plan including report on the £500k DfE Strategic School Improvement Fund bid 'narrowing the gap in Warwickshire' Sept 17 to July 19.</b>		<b>24 September 2019</b>
<b>Future items</b>			
School Sufficiency Strategy <i>Bern Timings</i>	Members noted at Council on 26 July that area briefings were to be held for public to explain and get feedback on future planning of school places. ( <i>The first of these was in North Warwickshire on 5 November</i> ). There is a potential at the end of that area briefing and information gathering process for a scrutiny (possibly select committee).	N/A	To be allocated
Early Help Action Plan <i>Bill Basra</i>	The Early Help Strategy was approved by Council on 13 December and it was suggested that this Committee monitor the Action Plan that is being developed.		To be allocated