

## Children and Families Committee Work Programme 2024-25

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CF/08/24-25	11/11/24	Second Financial Review of 2024/25 (Children & Families Committee)	To note and comment on the Second Financial Review and Performance position of 2024/25, including progress on policy proposals and material variances from the MTFS and (if necessary) approve Supplementary Estimates and Virements.	Director of Finance and Customer Services	No	No	Open	Yes	No	Decision/Scrutiny
CF/13/24-25	11/11/24	Medium Term Financial Strategy Consultation 2025/26 - 2028/29 (Children & Families Committee)	To provide feedback in relation to the committee's financial responsibilities as identified within the Constitution and linked to the budget alignment approved by the Finance Sub-Committee in March 2024. Responses to the consultation would be reported to the Corporate Policy Committee to support that Committee in making recommendations to Council on changes to the	Director of Finance and Customer Services	No	No	Open	Yes	No	Decision/Scrutiny

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			current financial strategy.							
CF/21/24-25	11/11/24	Children's Centre re-modelling into the Family Hub Model	To seek committee approval on the future outreach delivery model for family hubs and repurposing of seven children's centre buildings to meet the MTFS savings, whilst continuing to deliver the services in a more flexible way following consultation.	Director of Education, Strong Start and Integration	Yes	Yes	Open/Fair/Green	Yes	No	Decision
CF/27/24-25	11/11/24	Proposed change in age range at St Mary's Catholic Primary School, Middlewich	To approve the proposed changes of age range at St Mary's Catholic Primary School, Middlewich, from 4 - 11 to 3 - 11 from January 2025.	Director of Education, Strong Start and Integration	Yes	Yes	Open	No	No	Decision
CF/28/24-25	11/11/24	Academisation of St Johns, Sandbach (Directive Order)	Provide necessary assurances to enable the Committee to consider their support for the transfer (as this is	Director of Education, Strong Start and Integration	No	Yes	Open	No	TBC	Decision

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			a Directive Order).							
CF/29/24-25	11/11/24	Academisation of Lower Park Primary School	Provide necessary assurances to enable the Committee to consider their support for the conversion.	Director of Education, Strong Start and Integration	No	Yes	Open	No	TBC	Decision
CF/31/24-25	11/11/24	ILACS Improvement Plan Progress	To update committee on progress against the improvement plan to address the findings from the Ofsted inspection of local authority children's services (ILACS) in February and March 2024, and to ensure committee can scrutinise impact on outcomes for children and young people.	Director of Family Help and Children's Social Care	N/A	No	Fair	No	No	Scrutiny
CF/32/24-25	11/11/24	Proposed expansion of Springfield School onto a satellite site in Middlewich, and Proposed expansion of Springfield Wilmslow.	To report on the outcomes of a public consultation as to whether Springfield School, Crewe should be expanded onto a satellite site in Middlewich.  To report the outcomes of a	Director of Education, Strong Start and Integration	Yes	Yes	Open	Yes	No	Decision

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			public consultation as to whether Springfield Wilmslow campus should expand by 20 places for 4-16 year olds							
CF/33/24-25	11/11/24	Additional sites for Alternative Provision and approval of funding in the capital programme	To provide committee with an update regarding additional sites for potential Alternative Provision and making funding available to support these proposals	Director of Education, Strong Start and Integration	No	No	Open	TBC	No	Decision
CF/34/24-25	11/11/24	Reprofiled DSG management plan 2024/25 to 2030/31	To provide a reprofiled DSG management plan to take account of the reduced growth of EHCP seen in 2023 (January 2024 DfE SEN2 Survey Return). Potential requirement to resubmit the plan to the DfE Safety Valve Programme	Director of Education, Strong Start and Integration	No	No	Fair	No	No	Decision/Scrutiny
CF/09/24-25	13/01/25	Third Financial Review of 2024/25 (Children & Families Committee)	To note and comment on the Third Financial Review and Performance position of 2024/25, including	Director of Finance and Customer Services	No	No	Open	Yes	No	Decision/Scrutiny

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			progress on policy proposals and material variances from the MTFs and (if necessary) approve Supplementary Estimates and Virements.							
CF/40/24-25	13/01/25	Update on the progress of the key areas of the Dedicated Schools Grant Management Plan 2024/25 to 2030/31	To provide up-to-date information on the progress of the mitigations detailed within the Dedicated Schools Grant (DSG) management plan	Director of Education, Strong Start and Integration	No	No	Fair	No	No	Scrutiny
CF/15/24-25	13/01/25	Medium Term Financial Strategy Consultation 2025/26 - 2028/29 Provisional Settlement Update (Children & Families Committee)	To provide feedback in relation to their financial responsibilities as identified within the Constitution and linked to the budget alignment approved by the Finance Sub-Committee in March 2024. Responses to the consultation would be reported to the Corporate Policy Committee to support that Committee in making recommendations to Council on	Director of Finance and Customer Services	No	No	Open	Yes	No	Decision/Scrutiny

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			changes to the current financial strategy.							
CF/35/24-25	13/01/25	ILACS Improvement Plan Progress	To update committee on progress against the improvement plan to address the findings from the Ofsted inspection of local authority children's services (ILACS) in February and March 2024, and to ensure committee can scrutinise impact on outcomes for children and young people.	Director of Family Help and Children's Social Care	N/A	No	Fair	No	No	Scrutiny
CF/20/24-25	10/02/25	Schools Funding Formula and Early Years Funding Formula 2025/26	To provide committee with an update on the Dedicated School Grant (DSG) for 2024/25. To request approval for the allocation of each sub block making up the DSG. To request approval of the schools funding formula and early years funding formula following	Director of Education, Strong Start and Integration	Yes	No	Open	No	No	Decision

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			recommendations from the Schools Forum. To request approval to provide delegated authority to the Executive Director of Children's Services to use the funds in accordance with the relevant guidance and proposed funding formula methods.							
CF/36/24-25	10/02/25	Determination of the Admissions Arrangements for 2026-27	To determine the School Admissions Arrangements for 2026-27 following consultation	Director of Education, Strong Start and Integration	No	Yes	Open	No	Yes	Decision
CF/37/24-25	10/02/25	ILACS Improvement Plan Progress	To update committee on progress against the improvement plan to address the findings from the Ofsted inspection of local authority children's services (ILACS) in February and March 2024, and to ensure committee can scrutinise impact on outcomes for children and young people.	Director of Family Help and Children's Social Care	N/A	No	Fair	No	No	Scrutiny

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CF/16/24-25	07/04/25	Service Budgets 2025/26 (Children & Families Committee)	To set out the allocation of approved budgets for 2025/26 for services under the Committee's remit, as determined by Finance Sub Committee	Director of Finance and Customer Services	No	No	Open	Yes	No	Scrutiny
CF/38/24-25	07/04/25	ILACS Improvement Plan Progress	To update committee on progress against the improvement plan to address the findings from the Ofsted inspection of local authority children's services (ILACS) in February and March 2024, and to ensure committee can scrutinise impact on outcomes for children and young people.	Director of Family Help and Children's Social Care	N/A	No	Fair	No	No	Scrutiny
CF/42/24-25	07/04/25	Update on the progress of the key areas of the Dedicated Schools Grant Management Plan 2024/25 to 2030/31	To provide up-to-date information on the progress of the mitigations detailed within the Dedicated Schools Grant (DSG) management plan	Director of Education, Strong Start and Integration	No	No	Fair	No	No	Scrutiny