

## Children and Families Overview and Scrutiny Committee 2015/16 Amended 27.7.15

### **Essential items**

Item	Description/purpose of report/comments	Lead Officer/ organisation/ Portfolio Holder	Suggested by	Current position	Key Dates/ Deadlines
Child Sexual Exploitation	Task and Finish group set up in December 2014 which produced Interim report on 10 February 2015. following informal workshop held with partner organisations in Autumn 2014 to ascertain the current situation in Cheshire East	Director of Children's Services, Children and Families Portfolio Holder	The Committee	Task and Finish group to be re-appointed in summer 2015 with a view to completing the review by the end of 2015	TBA
Centre for Public Scrutiny (CfPS) project – raising school attainment	Participation in a project to involve Overview and Scrutiny Members in measures to raise school attainment across Cheshire East	Director of Children's Services, Children and Families Portfolio Holder	Director of Children's Services	Further Information required form CfPS	September 2015

### **Monitoring Items**

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Performance Monitoring	Quarterly performance reports	Director of Children's Services, Children and Families Portfolio Holder	Ofsted	New arrangements to be scheduled	Quarterly
Ofsted Inspection	Standing item to be included in all agendas: Improvement Board matters.	Director of Children's Services, Children and Families Portfolio Holder	Chairman	New arrangements to be considered when the committee has considered the inspection report on the July 2015 unannounced inspection	September 2015
Care Leavers	Formal Cabinet response to the Task and Finish report reported to Committee on 1 December 2014. Further progress report required in December 2015	Director of Children's Services, Children and Families	The Committee		December 2015

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Public Health – responsibility for 5-19 year olds	Presentation received on 1 December 2014 relating to how the Council implements public health responsibilities and influences children's lifestyles. This came out of Corporate Scrutiny's review of the Ofsted inspection report in March 2013	Director of Children's Services, Children and Families Portfolio Holder	Corporate Scrutiny Committee	Further progress report required in February 2015	Ongoing
Local Children's Safeguarding Board (LSCB) Annual report	To consider the annual report of the Chair of the LSCB as part of measure in place to strengthen the relationship between the committee and Board	Director of Children's Services, Children and Families Portfolio Holder	The Committee		September 2015
Safeguarding – update/ Recruitment & retention of Staff. Social Workers/Review of HR Policies	6 monthly progress reports	Director of Children's Services, Children and Families Portfolio Holder	The Committee		Autumn 2015

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Special Education Needs	The committee have received periodic progress reports on the production of an SEN Policy which has now been produced with new legislation	Director of Children's Services, Children and Families Portfolio Holder	Director of Children's Services	Progress report required	12 months after formal approval
School Improvement/School capacity		Director of Children's Services, Children and Families Portfolio Holder	The Committee	Progress report required	TBA
Building of new schools/planning regulations	To have an understanding of the planning regulations as they relate to building schools	Director of Children's Services, Children and Families Portfolio Holder Head of Planning	The Committee	Informal briefing required	TBA
Academies	Awareness session about the scope and detail of the number of academies established, and those proposed including geographical locations	Director of Children's Services, Children and Families Portfolio	The Committee	Update report	TBA

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### **Possible Future/ desirable items**

Early Years - Develop policies for engaging with the third sector; and the Council's new commissioning role