

## Children & Young People Scrutiny Committee – 2012-14 work programme

Date of Meeting	Issue for Scrutiny	Type of Meeting	How	Who	Outcome/s
9 <sup>th</sup> August 2012	Ofsted inspection	Informal briefing	Verbal briefing	Cllr. Paul Watling Laura Johnston Karen Perry	Members briefed
18 <sup>th</sup> Sept 2012	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Issues for a primary school</li> <li><b>Children in Care Placement Strategy</b> and children in care education attainment</li> </ul>	Committee meeting (Budget & Finance members to attend)	Tour of Short Wood Primary and briefing from Head Teacher  Reports and briefings.	Karen Perry Clive Jones Maria White Viv McKay	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Key issues for review agreed</li> <li>Evidence gathering</li> </ul>
5 <sup>th</sup> Nov 2012	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Children in Care Placement Strategy</b> – value for money issues</li> <li>Ofsted report and actions to address issues</li> <li>Education results KS2/KS4 for the borough and children in care</li> </ul>	Committee meeting (Budget & Finance members to attend)	Reports and briefings. Additional paper on savings from regional framework contracts.	Laura Johnston Karen Perry Viv McKay Jim Collins	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Evidence gathering</li> <li>Members updated on 2012 KS2/4 results</li> <li>Requested changes to Dashboard to reflect actual cost of internal foster care.</li> </ul>
9 <sup>th</sup> Nov 2012	Stock-take of review of <b>Children in Care Placement Strategy</b> .	Sub-group meeting	Reports and minutes from previous meetings.	Mike Ion Mel Ward Gill Green Jayne Greenaway Chris Turley.	Further work identified.
11 <sup>th</sup> Dec 2012	<b>Ofsted Improvement Plan</b> Children in care education results reports for information	Committee meeting	Ofsted Improvement Plan Dashboard Education results	Cllr. Paul Watling Karen Perry Andrew Mason	Progress noted and evidence gathering
8 <sup>th</sup> Jan 2013	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The challenges and responsibilities of the Police for children in care in Telford &amp; Wrekin</li> <li>Increasing the number of</li> </ul>	Committee meeting	Presentation from West Mercia Police Report on strategy to increase foster carers Updated Dashboard	Philip Shakesheff (West Mercia Police) Cllr. Paul Watling Karen Perry	Evidence gathering

	internal foster carers <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Savings strategies for children in care placements</li> </ul>		Cost Improvement Plan Costings for Council owned care home Jigsaw visit	Clive Jones Jas Bedesha	
11 <sup>th</sup> Jan 2013	Meetings with foster carers, social workers, IRO and to plan visits to children in care out of borough.	Working group meeting	Verbal evidence and anonymised visit reports.	2 foster carers 2 social workers IRO	Evidence gathering
8 <sup>th</sup> Feb 2013	Stock take of all evidence gathered during review to start to formulate report and recommendations.	Sub-group meeting			Initial work on draft recommendations
March 2013	Visits to 2 children in residential care outside the borough.	Members of sub-group.			
12 <sup>th</sup> March 2013	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Use of Jigsaw Houses</li> <li>If published, Ofsted report on fostering service</li> <li>Items for the next meeting</li> </ul>	Committee meeting	Cabinet report (Ofsted report if published)	Clive Jones Viv McKay	
18 <sup>th</sup> April 2013	Provision of primary places (TBC)				
2013-14	Impact of Early Intervention programmes		In-depth review		
2013-14	Services targeted at young people (Youth Offer, YOS)		In-depth review		
On-going	CIC performance monitoring (Dashboard)		Standing items at committee meetings		
On-going	Education attainment for the borough and for children in care		Standing item at committee meetings		