

**SCYP WORK PLAN 2012/13**

**APPENDIX A**

	27 June@ 2pm	11 <sup>th</sup> Sept@2pm	26th Nov@2pm	10 <sup>th</sup> Jan @2pm	8Mar@10am
<b>Policy Review/ Development</b>			Youth Justice Plan (statutory plan) Provisional.	Teenage Pregnancy - Children in Care	
<b>Performance</b>	Quarter 4	Q1 The SCYP Budget Group met following this meeting.	Q2		Q3
<b>Information Updates</b>	Improvement Plan		Fostering – update on recruitment campaign  Unannounced Inspection October 2012 report		
<b>Scrutiny (Holding to Account)</b>	Cabinet Member priorities			SEN review – (To be confirmed!)	Follow up on implementation of recommendations 2011/12  Review of Cabinet Member priorities
<b>Other</b>	Work Plan	Work Plan - including update on recommendations from 2011/12	Work Plan  Update from Budget working group.	Work Plan	Work Plan

**Careers Advice and Guidance** – Joint review to be undertaken with Regeneration and Environment – Councillors Rachel Hodson Andrew Bosmans, Tracey Leyland-Jepson, Alan Jones and Doreen Woodhouse. 17<sup>th</sup> October, 2012 Agreed Scope.

**Budget Working Group** – Councillors Hilary McNamee, Rachel Hodson, Sue Wilkinson, Tracey Leyland-Jepson and Andrew Bosmans. 11<sup>th</sup> September agreed scope of review. Review group meeting 29<sup>th</sup> October, 2012.

**Teenage Pregnancy Scoping meeting** – met 29<sup>th</sup> October, 2012.

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### SCYP OUTCOMES & IMPACTS 2012/13

Meeting Date	ISSUE/ OUTCOME	COMMENT	WHO	WHEN	IMPACT
27.06.12	<b>Councillor Tatton Kelly –Cabinet Member For Children’s Services To Outline Priorities for the forthcoming year:</b> Special Educational Needs, Truancy, Attainment, Safeguarding, Looked After Children, Domestic Violence.	To understand priorities and review progress later in year. During the course of the year continue to measure aspects through Quarterly Performance reports	Panel	March 2013 meeting and quarterly performance reports	To provide accountability for improvement and improve transparency.
11.09.12		Further update requested on 2011/12 priorities	Panel	Requested September	
27.06.12	<b>School Children &amp; Young People Improvement Plan.</b> Key areas raised included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Measures to improve educational attainment to exceed national targets and measures to effectively engage with academies.</li> <li>Addressing persistent absences.</li> <li>Reducing the no. of agency staff and improving retention of social care staff.</li> <li>Improving outcomes for children leaving care.</li> <li>Improving mental health processes and reviewing safeguarding practices and processes</li> </ul>	Members were provided with an overview of the Plan and an opportunity to question the Director CYPS and Cabinet Member.  Key aspects of the Plan to be further reviewed as part of quarterly performance report.	Panel	Quarterly Performance reports.	To provide understanding on the key issues being addressed within CYPS.  To provide accountability for improvement against key themes within CYPS.
	<b>Finance &amp; Improvement Report 2011/12 – Q4. Key areas considered/issues raised:</b>		Panel	Quarterly	

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	<p>Noted improvements in CYPs as indicated by recent inspection results. Recognised further work to be undertaken.</p> <p>Concerns raised around CYPs overspend including increased demand for social care, availability of foster care provision, overpayments on foster care, external placements, use of agency staff.</p> <p>Measures to reduce staff sickness levels</p> <p>NEETS 16-18 – noted good progress but concerns around 18-25 group.</p> <p>Concern raised around health of Children in Care</p>	<p>Panel agreed to continue monitoring actions to improve areas of underperformance.</p> <p>Identified need for working closely with ward Members to use local intelligence as well as appropriate benchmarking data to bring about improvements.</p>		Performance Reports	SCYP able to hold Director to account. Focus on key areas of overspend & underperformance and consider actions for improvement. Identify issues for future consideration and track progress through future reports.
11.09.12	<p><b>Finance &amp; Improvement Report 2012/13 – Q1. Key areas considered/issues raised:</b></p> <p>Considered performance against the five key priorities of the Improvement Plan.</p> <p>Concern expressed re: budget overspend</p>	<p>Panel budget group formed to consider out of authority expenditures</p>	Panel	Quarterly Performance Reports	SCYP to hold Director to account. Focus on key areas of overspend & underperformance and consider actions for improvement. Identify issues for future consideration and track progress through future reports.