

SCYP WORK PLAN 2012/13

APPENDIX A

	27 June@ 2pm	11 th Sept@2pm	26th Nov@2pm	10 th Jan @2pm	20 th Mar@10am
Policy Review/ Development			Youth Justice Plan (statutory plan) Provisional.	Teenage Pregnancy - Children in Care	
Performance	Quarter 4	Q1 The SCYP Budget Group met following this meeting.	Q2		Q3
Information Updates	Improvement Plan		Fostering – update on recruitment campaign Unannounced Inspection October 2012 and Lord Carlile reports		Safeguarding – outcome from unannounced inspection October 2012
Scrutiny (Holding to Account)	Cabinet Member priorities			Update on Out of Authority Placements for Children in Care	Follow up on implementation of recommendations Review of Cabinet Member priorities Update on Out of Authority Placements for Children in Care
Other	Work Plan	Work Plan - including update on recommendations from 2011/12	Work Plan Update from Budget working group.	Work Plan	Paediatric Health Service Presentation 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. Complete and recommendations to be agreed at the Regeneration and Environment Scrutiny Panel on 18th March, 2013.

Budget Working Group – Councillors Hilary McNamee, Rachel Hodson, Sue Wilkinson, Tracey Leyland-Jepson and Andrew Bosmans. 11th September agreed scope of review. Review complete and updates provided at the Scrutiny Panel meetings.

Teenage Pregnancy Scoping meeting – Complete January Panel.

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SCYP OUTCOMES & IMPACTS 2012/13

Meeting Date	ISSUE/ OUTCOME	COMMENT	WHO	WHEN	IMPACT
27.06.12	Councillor Tatton Kelly –Cabinet Member For Children’s Services To Outline Priorities for the forthcoming year: 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	Educational Attainment briefing	Further update requested on 2011/12 priorities	Panel	Received November	
20.03.13	Update on priorities for 2012/13		Panel	Panel March	
27.06.12	School Children & Young People Improvement Plan. Key areas raised included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Measures to improve educational attainment to exceed national targets and measures to effectively engage with academies. Addressing persistent absences. Reducing the no. of agency staff and improving retention of social care staff. Improving outcomes for children leaving care. Improving mental health processes and reviewing safeguarding practices and processes 	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.

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	<p>Finance & Improvement Report 2011/12 – Q4. Key areas considered/issues raised:</p> <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>	Panel	Quarterly Performance Reports	<p>SCYP Panel 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.</p>
11.09.12	<p>Finance & Improvement Report 2012/13 – Q1. Key areas considered/issues raised:</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	<p>SCYP Panel 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.</p>

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26.11.12	Youth Justice Plan	Statutory Plan	Panel	November meeting	Panel consulted on the Plan as part of the Council's budget and policy framework.
	Fostering – update on recruitment campaign	To contribute to understanding issues relating to the out of authority placement review and consider the success of recent recruitment campaign.	Panel	November meeting	Considered information that contributed to understanding placements for children in care, particularly when discussing the Out of Authority Placements.
	Unannounced Inspection of local authority arrangements for the protection of children October 2012 and the Lord Carlile report on the Edlington case	To receive the report and comments from Cabinet Member and Director Children and Young People's Service	Panel	November Meeting	Considered outcome reports and Action Plan to be presented to the Panel at a future meeting.
	Finance & Improvement Report 2012/13 – Q2.	Considered performance against the five key priorities of the Improvement Plan.	Panel	November Meeting	SCYP Panel 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.
	Work Plan – Out of Authority Placements of Children in Care	Outcome of review undertaken by working group – recommendations made.	Panel	September to November	Recommendations made to the Executive with the potential to ensure only necessary out of authority placements are made and to review spend on current and new placements.

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10.01.13	Teenage Pregnancy	Received multi-agency presentation re: teenage pregnancy in the borough.	Panel	January Meeting	SCYP Panel received an overview on the issue to identify issues for future consideration.
November review 10.01.13 20.03.13	Update on Out of Authority Placements of Children in Care	To receive an update on expenditure on out of authority placements made	Panel	November, January and March	To be informed of any overspend and to hold to account if targets are not being achieved.
06.12.12 11.12.12 20.03.13	Careers Advice and Guidance Working Group	To review careers advice and guidance included meetings with Youth Council, Partners from private sector and education	Working Group of SCYP and R and E Panels	December and February	To raise awareness and promote what is being done with Members, businesses, partners and children and young people and to identify and take forward possible new ways of working.