

Schools Children and Youth People Work Plan 2013/14

APPENDIX A

	26 June at 2.00pm	11th September at 10am	20th September, 2013 (informal) 11.30am	21st November at 2pm	12th February at 2.000m	24th March at 2.00pm
Scrutiny Reviews/ Policy Development	Youth Justice Plan	Care Leavers Review – Update from Councillors	Special Educational Needs and Development			How is the issue of young people running away from local authority care, being addressed.
Performance	Quarter 4	Quarter 1 – to include progress against Improvement Plan		Quarter 2 – Performance		Quarter 3 – to include progress against Improvement Plan
Information Updates	Improvement Plan – Malcolm Newsam Safeguarding standard verbal update	Secretary of State Direction for improvement, Improvement Plan, Safeguarding - iMPower to attend Response to Secretary of State and outcome Local Authority Education Inspection Framework		Safeguarding Children’s Board Annual Report – Roger Thompson Chair of the Doncaster Safeguarding Children’s Board Improvement Plan and parallel financial plan Children’s Trust – verbal update	Safeguarding/ Improvement Plan update Children’s Trust Update	Safeguarding/ Improvement Plan update Children’s Trust Update
Scrutiny (Holding to Account)		Cabinet Members’ priorities		Education results	Impacts from Recommendations from previous reviews: OoA Placements; Outcomes for care leavers;	Cabinet Members’ update Cllr Corden – how is the dementia work with schools

					Education of Children in Care; Elective Home Education; and Teenage Pregnancy.	being progressed. An area Cllr Knight is championing.
Other	Work Plan	Work Plan		Work Plan	Work Plan	Work Plan

Issues that have not been programmed but Members may wish to consider

1. Review To be confirmed - Use of agency staff by the Children and Young People's Services Directorate
Possible areas for consideration:
 - What is the current demand?
 - What actions plan is in place to address the position?
 - How does the use of agency staff affect service delivery?
 - What affect does the change of staff have on children and young people?
 - Retention and recruitment of staff.
Sub group to undertake pre-review work – Councillors Wilkinson, Jones, Hodson, Woodhouse, Coddington and Nightingale.
2. Community Based Paediatric Health – update following presentation by Lee Golze from NHS CCG, made to the Panel January, 2013. Health Panel?
3. Spotlight review into good outcomes for children with disabilities e.g. support to families (short breaks) or access to education. The latter was considered as part of the Panel's work on the Inclusion Strategy, but is an area that could be revisited.

Review: - Outcome for Care Leavers – Concluded and reported forwarded to the Mayor and Cabinet Members.

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Meeting Date	ISSUE/ OUTCOME	COMMENT	WHO	WHEN	IMPACT
260613	Youth Offending Service Statutory Plan	The Plan was supported but the changes made to the service and funding, since the Plan for 2012/13, be highlighted in a covering report for consideration at Full Council.	Full Council	July meeting	Contributed to and consulted on the Statutory Plan.
	Improvement Plan – Malcolm Newsam	The Panel recognised that the new Improvement Plan would require Eleanor Brazil's, (Director Children and Young People's Service) endorsement prior to it being considered by the Executive and Cabinet.	Panel	Monitoring through future changes to the Children and Young Peoples Service.	To provide accountability for improvement.
	Verbal update from Director Children and Young Peoples Service on Safeguarding	The Panel noted the current position relating to possible future changes with the Children and Young People's Service.	Panel	Monitoring through future changes to the Children and Young Peoples Service.	To provide accountability for improvement.
	Quarter 4 Performance	Continue to monitor	Panel	Future meetings of the Panel on a quarterly basis.	To be able to hold Cabinet Members and Directors to account. Focus on underperformance and consider actions for improvement. Highlight areas of good practice. Ensure concerns identified continue to be monitored.
	Update from Cabinet Members	Unable to attend due to unforeseen circumstances.	-	-	-
110913	Care Leavers review	Recommendations: 1. The Executive be requested to undertake a review into the possibility of starting the	Panel	March	To receive an update on the number of young people running away from local authority care.

		<p>preparations for leaving care process earlier in a young person's life and report back to the Panel in 6 months with progress, if accepted.</p> <p>2. The Executive be requested to undertake an investigation into whether Council guidance/good practice could be produced on the maximum number of units provided in semi-independent dwellings when companies approach the Council to establish new supported housing.</p> <p>3. The Executive be requested to investigate whether additional support, guidance and signposting can be offered to young people leaving care, who have additional needs but fall short of meeting the Adult Services care criteria.</p> <p>4. Contact between the Foster Care Team, 16 Plus service and foster carers be developed to bring about improvement in service provision and relationships between young people and the service, where this is appropriate.</p> <p>5. The Executive is asked to:</p> <p>(a) investigate the possibility of care leavers being guaranteed interviews and work shadowing with the Council, where appropriate; and</p> <p>(b) report to the Panel in 6 months time on this issue and how the Employability Plan is working in practice and being embedded into the pathways for Care Leavers.</p> <p>6. The 16 Plus service be requested to:</p> <p>(a) provide Doncaster College and other appropriate education establishments with a list of</p>		<p>To review measures that have been established to address the position. Raised as an issue by South Yorkshire Police through evidence gathered during the outcome for care leavers reviews.</p> <p>An update is to be provided to the Panel in February. Mayor's response highlighted that all recommendations will be taken on board by the Executive.</p>
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	Quarter 1 Performance	Continue to monitor	Panel	Quarterly	To be able to hold Cabinet Members and Directors to account. Focus on underperformance and consider actions for improvement. Highlight areas of good practice. Ensure concerns identified continue to be monitored.
200913 Informal meeting	Special Educational Needs and Development	<p>Members gave support to the following areas:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. SEND Service and Structure – moving all services to one place ensuring it is easier for parents to contact the same team for all aspects of support. 2. SEND Pathway - The system and diagrammatic processes be made as simple and clear as possible, making it easy for parents to understand, with new and traditional methods of communication being available. 3. Reviewing Care Plans is essential to ensure they are flexible in providing the right support for the child/young person as needs can change as they grow older. 4. The local authority challenge schools, where appropriate, if a parent is struggling to ensure the right support is in place for their child. 5. The development of a Memorandum of 	Panel	-	To contribute to policy and service development.

		<p>understanding between Academies and the local authority.</p> <p>6. The parents' forum offering support to each other with a parent representative being appointed to the SEND Board.</p> <p>7. Proposals for young people with learning difficulties to be given the opportunity to work as meet and greet staff in the Council's Civic Office.</p> <p>Recommended that:-</p> <p>1. The importance of being a Governor, at any school, be promoted.</p> <p>2. It be promoted to all schools that when their prospectus is issued, details of all specific contacts be provided, if not already included, i.e. named person for children with additional needs e.g. Special Educational Needs Co-ordinator.</p>			
211113	Doncaster Safeguarding Children's Board Annual Report	Continue to monitor on an annual basis.	Panel	May/June 2014 due to be presented for 2013/14	Hold chair of the Doncaster Safeguarding Board to account and seek improvements.
	Improvement Plan and Parallel Financial Plan	To continue to monitor	Panel	Every formal panel meeting.	To provide accountability for improvement.
	Children Trust update.	To continue to monitor the progress of establishment of the Children's Trust	Panel	Every formal panel meeting	To provide accountability and improvement to the service.
	Local Authority summary of school test and examination outcomes 2013	To continue to monitor on an annual basis. Panel have undertaken a review into education of children in care and will be considering the impacts from the review at the Meeting in March.	Panel	March 2014 and Annually	To examine trends in achievements of the children and young people in Doncaster and question improvements being made.

	Quarter 2 Performance Monitoring	Continue to monitor	Panel	Quarterly	To be able to hold Cabinet Members and Directors to account. Focus on underperformance and consider actions for improvement. Highlight areas of good practice. Ensure concerns identified continue to be monitored.
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