

## Appendix A

### Children's Services, Education and Skills Scrutiny Board

#### Draft Work Programme 2022/23 (For Member review and discussion)

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Cabinet Member for Children, Education and Skills Priorities 2022/2023	To provide the Scrutiny Board with details of the priorities of the Cabinet Member for Children, Education and Skills.	The Cabinet Member will present a report to the Board	For the Scrutiny Board to make sure the Cabinet Member's priorities are adequately reflected in its work programme.	Yes – internal  Cabinet Member for Children, Education and Skills Priorities	Thursday 9 June 2022	Cabinet Member for Children, Education and Skills	Priority: Improving outcomes for children and young people in Solihull  Priority: Take action to improve life chances and health outcomes in our most disadvantaged communities
Children's Services, Education and Skills Scrutiny Board Work Programme	To consider and agree the work programme for the Municipal Year.	Draft Scrutiny Work Programme to be	To ensure that Scrutiny activity is linked to Council Plan priorities.	Yes – internal  Joseph Bright, Democratic Services Officer	Thursday 9 June 2022	Cabinet Member for Children, Education and Skills	Priority: Improving outcomes for children and young people in Solihull

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		presented to the Board					Priority: Take action to improve life chances and health outcomes in our most disadvantaged communities
The Improving Outcomes for Children in Solihull Plan	To provide the Scrutiny Board the Improving Outcomes for Children in Solihull Plan. This Plan is committed to delivering sustained improvement of Children's Services and good outcomes for the children and young people of Solihull.	Report to be presented to the Board.	For the Scrutiny Board to review the Improvement Plan and consider the delivery as part of its future work programme.	Yes – internal  Cabinet Member for Children, Education and Skills Priorities and Tim Browne, Interim Director of Childrens Services  Julie Penny, Quality and Assurance Assistant Director	To be scheduled.	Cabinet Member for Children, Education and Skills	Priority: Improving outcomes for children and young people in Solihull
Multi-agency written	To provide the Scrutiny Board the written statement of proposed	Report to be presented to the Board.	For the Scrutiny Board to review the written	Yes – multi-agency	To be scheduled.	Cabinet Member for Children,	Priority: Improving outcomes for

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statement of proposed action	action, responding to the findings outlined in the Joint Targeted Area Inspection of Solihull.		statement and consider the proposed actions as part of its future work programme.	Multi-agency – Solihull Council, Birmingham and Solihull ICS and West Midlands Police.		Education and Skills	children and young people in Solihull
Findings of the national Child Safeguarding Practice Review Panel	To present to the Board the findings of the national Child Safeguarding Practice Review Panel.	Report to be presented to the Board.	To review the findings of the national Child Safeguarding Practice Review Panel and consider its recommendations, as part of its future work programme.	Yes – multi-agency  Multi-agency – Solihull Council, Birmingham and Solihull ICS and West Midlands Police.	To be scheduled.	Cabinet Member for Children, Education and Skills	Priority: Improving outcomes for children and young people in Solihull
Corporate Parenting in Solihull	To inform Board members of the progress and current position in relation to corporate parenting in Solihull.  To outline how Solihull MBC and its partners have supported our children in care and	Report to be presented to the Board	To help raise awareness both of the needs of children looked after and care experienced young people and OVOS (Our Voice Our Services) our children in care council	Yes – internal  Tim Browne, Interim Director of Childrens Services  Anna Stephens, Head of Service for Looked After Children, Fostering and Adoption	Monday 12 September 2022	Cabinet Member for Children, Education and Skills	Priority: Improving outcomes for children and young people in Solihull  Priority: Take action to improve life chances and

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	<p>care experienced young people, by striving to be excellent corporate parents, taking corporate parenting into service areas and ensuring that teams understand what it is and how they can support</p>						<p>health outcomes in our most disadvantaged communities</p>
<p>Delivery of the Placements and Sufficiency Strategy for Children Looked After and Care Experienced Young People 2020-2024</p>	<p>For the Board to review the delivery of the Placements and Sufficiency Strategy.</p> <p>To consider progress on the delivery plan and the four key priorities of work.</p>	<p>Report to be presented to the Board.</p>	<p>For the Scrutiny Board to review how the delivery of the Strategy supports the fulfilment of the Council's Corporate Parenting priorities.</p>	<p>Yes – internal</p> <p>Tim Browne, Interim Director of Childrens Services</p> <p>Julie Hackett, Head of Service – Commissioning for Children and Young People and Anna Stephens, Head of Service for Looked After Children, Fostering and Adoption</p>	<p>Monday 12 September 2022</p>	<p>Cabinet Member for Children, Education and Skills</p>	<p>Priority: Improving outcomes for children and young people in Solihull</p> <p>Priority: Take action to improve life chances and health outcomes in our most disadvantaged communities</p>

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Review of the Council's Financial Position, including the impact of financial pressures in Children's Services	To provide the latest position on the Council's MTFS, including the impact of any new pressures that have emerged since the MTFS was approved.	The Board will be provided with the half-year position for 2022/23, taking account of any new financial pressures.	To provide Members with the Council's latest financial position and any implications for the three-year MTFS.	Paul Johnson Director of Resources & Deputy CE	Monday 12 September 2022	Resources Portfolio	Priority: Improving outcomes for children and young people in Solihull  Priority: Take action to improve life chances and health outcomes in our most disadvantaged communities
Delivery of new alternative and specialist provision in Solihull	For the Board to receive a 12-month update and to scrutinise the delivery of new alternative and specialist provision in Solihull against the priorities identified in the SEND School Place Commissioning Strategy	Report to be presented to the Board.	For the Board to review the delivery of new alternative and specialist provision in the Borough, as set out in the SEND School Place Commissioning Strategy.	Yes – internal  Tim Browne, Interim Director of Childrens Services  Steve Fenton, Head of Service Commissioning for Learning	Tuesday 1 November 2022	Cabinet Member for Children, Education and Skills Priorities	Priority: Improving outcomes for children and young people in Solihull  Priority: Take action to improve life chances and health

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	For the Scrutiny Board to also review the ongoing development of Social, Emotional and Mental Health provision within the Borough.						outcomes in our most disadvantaged communities
Delivery of Solihull's Joint Strategy for Children and Young People with Additional Needs	For the Board to scrutinise the delivery of the Strategy and allow opportunity for Member input.  To scrutinise the delivery against the 'I' statements set out in the Strategy, from the perspective of the child and young person.	Report to be presented to the Board	To scrutinise what progress is being made and ensure that the changes are resulting in improvements for children, young people and parent carers.	Yes – internal  Tim Browne, Interim Director of Childrens Services  Charlotte Jones, Head of SEND 0-25 Service	Thursday 5 January 2023	Cabinet Member for Children, Education and Skills Priorities	Priority: Improving outcomes for children and young people in Solihull  Priority: Take action to improve life chances and health outcomes in our most disadvantaged communities
Medium Term Financial Strategy Update – Budget Strategy	To consider the budget proposals identified for 2023/24 to 2025/26 within the Children, Education and Skills	Report to be presented to the Board.	For the Board to make recommendations to the Resources	Yes – internal  Sarah Cheale – Children's Services Finance Manager	Thursday 5 January 2023	Cabinet Member for Children, Education and Skills Priorities	Priority: Improving outcomes for children and

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2023/24 – 2025/26	cabinet portfolio to go forward to the Resources and Delivering Value Scrutiny Board and the Full Cabinet in February 2023.		and Delivery Value Scrutiny Board.				young people in Solihull  Priority: Take action to improve life chances and health outcomes in our most disadvantaged communities
Delivery of the Children and Young People's Mental Health and Emotional Wellbeing Local Transformation Plan.	For the Board to review the ongoing delivery of the Children and Young People's Mental Health and Emotional Wellbeing Local Transformation Plan and proposed next steps.  Members to receive an update on the Mental Health support for children and young people who have been	Report to be presented to the Board	To update the Scrutiny Board on the delivery of the Children and Young People's Mental Health and Emotional Wellbeing Local Transformation Plan and the proposed next steps.	Yes – external (Birmingham and Solihull Integrated Care System)  Carol McCauley – Senior Strategic Commissioner Birmingham and Solihull Integrated Care System	Thursday 2 March 2023	Cabinet Member for Children, Education and Skills Priorities	Priority: Improving outcomes for children and young people in Solihull

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	granted, or are seeking, asylum in the Borough.						
Delivery of the All-Age Exploitation Reduction Strategy	<p>For the Board to receive a 12 month update on the delivery of the All-Age Exploitation Reduction Strategy.</p> <p>The on-going delivery of the multi-agency Exploitation Reduction Strategy forms a key strand of work within the Council Plan.</p>	Report to be presented to the Board	To update the Children's Services, Education and Skills Scrutiny Board on the progress of the Exploitation Reduction Board and Exploitation Reduction Delivery Group with respect to supporting children and young people at risk of, or experiencing, exploitation.	<p>Yes – internal</p> <p>Tim Browne, Interim Director of Childrens Services and Pali Obhi, Exploitation, Missing and Youth Justice Service Manager</p>	Thursday 2 March 2023	Cabinet Member for Children, Education and Skills	<p>Priority: Improving outcomes for children and young people in Solihull</p> <p>Priority: Take action to improve life chances and health outcomes in our most disadvantaged communities</p>
Employment and Skills Activity	For the Board to consider the provision in place across the Borough for the following:	Report to be presented to the Board	To ensure there is effective support for young people, which helps them acquire skills and	<p>Yes – internal</p> <p>Rachel Egan, Head of Inclusive Growth</p>	Thursday 2 March 2023	Cabinet Member for Children, Education and Skills	Priority: Improving outcomes for children and young people in Solihull



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Support for careers in schools</li> <li>• Post 16 tracking and destinations</li> <li>• Support for NEETs including NEET prevention</li> <li>• Support for the unemployed</li> </ul>		access good employment.				Priority: Take action to improve life chances and health outcomes in our most disadvantaged communities

Children's Services, Education and Skills Scrutiny Board Meeting Dates 2022/23

Thursday 9 June 2022

Monday 12 September 2022

Tuesday 1 November 2022

Thursday 5 January 2023

Thursday 2 March 2023