



**CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE SCRUTINY  
REVIEW BOARD  
14 February 2022**

# ITEM 11

Report sponsor: Councillor Danielle Lind, Chair  
of the Children and Young People Scrutiny  
Review Board  
Report author: Democratic Services Officer

## Work Programme and Topic Review

### Purpose

- 1.1 The Children and Young People Scrutiny Review Board will agree a work programme for the 2021/22 municipal year at its meeting 18 October 2021.
- 1.2 The Board agreed that the work programme would be reviewed throughout the municipal year, to be added to and amended as appropriate. The latest version of the draft work programme is attached at Appendix 1.
- 1.3 The remit and terms of reference for the Children and Young People Scrutiny Review Board are included at 4.1 and 4.2 for information.

### Recommendations

- 2.1 To ensure that the Board has an opportunity to consider, update and agree the work programme for the 2021/22 municipal year.
- 2.2 To make the Board aware of its terms of reference and the Overview and Scrutiny Rules as set out in the Council's Constitution.

### Reasons

- 3.1 To provide the Board with an opportunity to consider and discuss the work programme for 2021/22 municipal year, to ensure robust performance monitoring and challenge, whilst identifying areas for further investigation

### Supporting information

#### 4.1 Remit and Terms of Reference for Overview and Scrutiny Boards

As detailed under Article 6 of the council's constitution, overview and scrutiny boards will:

- review and/or scrutinise decisions made or actions taken in connection with the discharge of any of the Council's functions
- make reports or recommendations to Council or the Council Cabinet or any joint or Neighbourhood Board/Forum in connection with the discharge of any functions
- consider any matter affecting the area or its inhabitants
- consider decisions that have been called-in for reconsideration, and decide whether to ask the decision maker to reconsider the decision or to refer it to full Council

- carry out policy development and review functions as shown in Article 6 of the constitution that they consider to be necessary
- provide an annual report to full Council on their workings and make recommendations for future work programmes
- carry out any other statutory duties and responsibilities allocated to local authority scrutiny committees.

4.2 The Terms of Reference for this board covers the following service areas, and fully encompasses the portfolio of the Cabinet Member for Children and Young People:

- Adult Education
- Education and Skills
- Employability (part of Economic Development)
- Inclusion and Intervention
- Fostering and Adoption
- Childrens QA
- Specialist Services
- CYP Residential
- Care Leavers
- Early Help
- Social Care Fieldwork
- Commissioning
- School Organisation and Provision

4.3 This item gives members an opportunity to consider and comment upon the work programme for the 2021/22 municipal year.

4.4 The work programme is not restrictive and board members can identify and introduce items for scrutiny throughout the year. Items for scrutiny will be discussed at pre-meetings with the Chair and Vice Chair and will be added to the Scrutiny Board agenda at the Chair's discretion.

### **Public/stakeholder engagement**

5.1 The Children and Young People Scrutiny Review Board work programme is developed in consultation with the Chair and Vice Chair together with colleagues in People Services and Democratic Services at the start of the municipal year. The Board has an opportunity to review and amend the work programme at each meeting.

### **Other options**

6.1 None.

### **Financial and value for money issues**

7.1 None arising directly from this report.

### **Legal implications**

8.1 Section 21 (3) of the Local Government Act 2000 requires that the power of an overview and scrutiny committee to review or scrutinise a decision made but not implemented includes power to recommend that the decision be reconsidered by the person who made it.

**Climate implications**

9.1 None arising directly from this report

**Other significant implications**

10.1 Effective scrutiny benefits all Derby people and the very nature of the Board looks in depth at equality in all its investigations.

10.2 Our aim is to work together so that Derby and its people will enjoy a thriving sustainable economy, good health and well-being and an active cultural life. The work of this board contributes to the council’s ambitions to give people in Derby ‘an inspiring start in life’, particularly by improving educational attainment. The work of the Board also aims to support children and young people across the city in getting the most out of their time at school and focus on what actions we can take from birth right through to when they leave education at 18 and beyond, to contribute to the council’s ambition for giving people in Derby ‘an inspiring work life’.

**This report has been approved by the following people:**

<b>Role</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Date of sign-off</b>
<b>Legal</b>	N/A	
<b>Finance</b>	N/A	
<b>Service Director(s)</b>	N/A	
<b>Report sponsor</b>	N/A	
<b>Other(s)</b>	Councillor Danielle Lind – Chair of the Children and Young People Scrutiny Review Board	25/01/2022
	Alex Hough Acting Head of Democracy	25/01/2022
<b>Background papers:</b>	None	
<b>List of appendices:</b>	Appendix 1 – Work Programme	

## Children and Young People Scrutiny Review Board

### Draft Work Programme 2021/22

Meeting	Items	Service Director / Lead Officer
<b>Mon 21.06.21</b>  <b>Deadline:</b> <b>10.06.21</b>	Impact of COVID on SEND and Recovery Plan	P Anderson
	Draft Topic Review Report Early Intervention Youth Outreach Support	All
	Work Programme and Topic Review	All
<b>Mon 06.09.21</b>  <b>Deadline:</b> <b>25.08.21</b>	Update report on CAMHs and Mental Health of Young People demand and response, also Draft Plan	D Gardner/H O'Higgins NHS Derby & Derbyshire CCG
	Special Needs Provision	A Smith/Cllr Williams
	Review of Holidays Activities and Food (HAF) Programme over the Summer	P Anderson/B Fenton
	Work Programme and Topic Review	All
<b>Mon 18.10.21</b>  <b>Deadline:</b> <b>07.10.21</b>	COVID Remote Learning – Delivery of IT Support for children & young people	P Anderson
	Demand in Social Care and Placement Sufficiency	S Lim/G Nizzer
	Monitoring Safeguarding Practice – plus an analysis and insight around demand and activity at the “Front Door” and developments in Children’s Social Care	S Lim
	Possible HAF Update (if data available from DfE)	P Anderson
	Special Needs Provision Recommendation to Audit & Governance Committee	D Lind
	Work Programme and Topic Review	All
<b>Mon 13.12.21</b>  <b>Deadline</b> <b>02.12.21</b>	Short Breaks – <i>How this works, how do people get short breaks for CYP. What are the numbers using the service, how is it doing? Also, how it's paid for.</i>	G Nizzer
	Feedback on DfE national catch-up provision from Derby Schools and presented to the CYP Overview and Scrutiny Board – Derby’s Children and Young People Deserve Better Motion from Council on 21.07.21  (To be added to CYP Scrutiny work programme as above)	A Smith/P Anderson

	SEND Funding Capital Consultation – report going to Cabinet on the consultation around provision for SEND	P Anderson
	Strategic School Place Planning and School Admissions	G Nizzer
	Work Programme and Topic Review	All
<b>Mon 14.02.22</b> <b>Deadline 03.02.22</b>	Matters Referred – Recommendation from the Executive Scrutiny Board 7 December 2021 Minute Extract 53/21 Performance Plan	
	Outcome of SEND Inspection	P Anderson
	Monitoring Safeguarding Practice	S Lim
	Report on the work of the Virtual School for Looked After Children (LAC) 2020/21	G Ferguson
	Appointment of Co-opted Members Update	
	Work Programme and Topic Review	All
<b>Mon 28.03.22</b> <b>Deadline 17.03.22</b>	Update report on CAMHs and Mental Health of Young People demand and response and Draft Plan	D Gardner/H O'Higgins
	Childhood Obesity – <i>schools back now and children are being weighed – what data is coming in (Cllr H)</i>	R Dewis / Siobhan Horsley
	Early Years Dental Care – anecdotal evidence is this being borne out by evidence	Possible Joint mtg with Adults date tbc
	COVID Remote Learning Update – Delivery of IT Support for children & young people <i>5–7-year-olds have not been funded or given laptops, was the council was planning to close that gap. The service waiting for feedback to see what the extent of digital divide was and where to focus funding in future.</i>	P Anderson
	SEND Funding Capital Consultation – Update (request from 13.12.21 meeting)	P Anderson
	Self-Assessment Evaluation Inspection of Local Authority Children's Services (ILACS) – possible Inspection Feb – Easter, this will be an opportunity to look at position in Derby, how we think we are doing.	A Smith
	Work Programme and Topic Review	
	<b>Future topics</b>	

Oct/Nov	DDSCB Safeguarding Annual Report - <i>not available due to current COVID pressures</i>	S Lim/J Nembhard Francis
tbc	School Attendance – what’s affecting it, what is being done about it, what are the challenges being faced	
Tbc poss Summer 2022	Educational Outcomes Annual Report - <i>not possible last or this year due to COVID</i>	P Anderson
Summer 2022	Attainment and Progress SEND (this is a part of the Ed Outcomes Report – <i>Indicates that SEND children not acknowledged what was expected from schools, what steps taken and how dealt with during COVID (Cllr H)</i>  <i>PA and JW confirmed not possible - The 2019 outcomes report is the most recent information we have. Because there have been no published tests, exams etc since them because of Covid, it isn't possible to make a comparison with 2019. It won't happen until after summer 2022 when, hopefully, there will be 'normal' exams and the like.</i>	J Ward
tbc	Feedback on DfE national catch up provision from Derby Schools - An update is provided to the Board following receipt of the returns in January 2022. For this update to include an assessment of what has and hasn't gone well.	P Anderson
tbc	Off Rolling Update – not possible this/last year due to COVID	P Anderson
tbc	Social Work Survey - revisit	S Lim
	<b>Possible Topic Review</b>	
tbc	<b>SEND Provision</b>	