

Decisions of the Children's Services Overview and Scrutiny Committee on Wednesday, 15 December 2021

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Decisions

**6. ANNUAL REPORT FOR CHILDREN LOOKED AFTER AND CARE LEAVERS
APRIL 2020 - MARCH 2021**

Resolved –

- (1) The Committee would like to thank officers for their attendance and contributions.
- (2) This Committee requests that a report be presented in 12 months.
- (3) That more up-to-date statistics in relation to the timeliness of Children's Health Assessments, be circulated to members of this Committee in three months' time.
- (4) This Committee requests that the findings from the review into children's health assessment caseloads be presented to the Committee, in the new municipal year.

Action – Strategic Director of Quality and Nursing

(Michelle Turner)
(Dr Kate Ward – 07985378532)

**7. PROTECTING VULNERABLE CHILDREN & ADULTS AT RISK OF
EXPLOITATION**

Resolved –

- (1) The Committee would like to thank officers for their attendance.
- (2) This Committee requests that a progress report be presented in 12 months.
- (3) This Committee requests the review into existing CSE services and development of the Multi-Agency Exploitation Hub, be presented to this Committee in the new Municipal Year.

Action – Bradford Council Chief Executive

(Darren Minton/Jane Booth – 01274 434361)

8. OFSTED MONITORING VISIT CHILDREN'S SERVICES IMPROVEMENT PLAN

Resolved –

- (1) The Committee requests that the Outcomes Improvement Plan also contains within it, an outcomes column.
- (2) For the Committee to keep an overview of the revised Outcomes Improvement Plan and at its meeting on Wednesday 23 March 2022, members request a report which specifically focuses on one aspect of the priority area in the Outcomes Improvement Plan; with that priority area being children and young people recognising Bradford Council as good Corporate Parents.

Action – Interim Strategic Director Children's Services

(Mariam Haque – 01274 431266)

9. YOUTH JUSTICE SERVICE

Resolved –

This Committee recognises the progress and improvements that the service has made and requests that a further report be presented late in the New Municipal Year, specifically focusing on the "Next Steps", which include:

- Improving participation with young people and families to understand their experiences of the services they have received;
- Starting to address themes that arise from the audit feedback;
- Using data to drive the service and its impact;
- Continued Thematic Inspection reports within the service;
- Embedding the pathfinder model to focus on prevention;
- Continuing to improve quality and embed the audit process.

Action – Interim Strategic Director Children's Services

(Sarah Griffin – 01274 436098)

10. CHILDREN'S SERVICES OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY COMMITTEE- WORK PROGRAMME 2021-22

Resolved –

- (1) Members discussed and amended the 2021-22 work programme for the Committee.
- (2) Members agreed the amended Terms of Reference for the Elective Home Education Scrutiny Review.

(3) That an additional meeting take place in late January 2022, to consider the findings from the Local Child Safeguarding Practice Review, after it is published.

Actions – Overview & Scrutiny Lead

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