

Democratic Services - Overview and Scrutiny

Childrens Services O&S Committee

Scrutiny Lead: Mustansir Butt tel - 43 2574

Work Programme

Agenda Items	Description	Report Author	Comments
Wednesday, 29th June 2022 at City Hall, Bradford. Chair's briefing 09/06/22. Report deadline 16/06/22.			
1) Serious Case Review Findings.	Representatives from Bradford Council, the Police and Health to be in attendance.	Darren Minton.	Request from Children's Services Overview & Scrutiny Committee members.
2) Draft 2022-23 Work Programme.	The proposed areas of work to be considered in this municipal year.	Mustansir Butt.	Includes recommendations that the Committee made in the last municipal year.
Wednesday, 13th July 2022 at City Hall, Bradford. Chair's briefing 24/06/22. Report deadline 30/06/22.			
1) Transition to the Bradford Children's Company.		Joanne Hyde/Chris Chapman/Marium Haque.	Member request.
2) Work Programme.	There is a need to regularly review the work programme, in order to prioritise and manage the work.	Mustansir Butt.	
Wednesday, 28th September 2022 at City Hall, Bradford. Chair's briefing 07/09/22. Report deadline 15/09/22.			
1) Co-opted member - Shifa Simab.		Mustansir Butt.	

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Wednesday, 28th September 2022 at City Hall, Bradford.			
Chair's briefing 07/09/22. Report deadline 15/09/22.			
2) Establishing the Children's Trust. Children's Services Overview & Scrutiny	(1) disappointed in relation to the representatives of PWC not in attendance at the meeting.	Members of the Committee were Chapman/Marium Haque/Eleanor Brazil/Steve Walker.	Joanne Hyde/Chris Committee recommendation from Wednesday 13 July 2022.
	(2) This Committee requests that a further progress report be presented to the Committee in September 2022.		
	(3) That the Contract between the Council and Children's Trust be presented to this Committee, prior to it being finalised.		
	(4) The Committee requests that the most appropriate representatives from Bradford Council and PWC attend the meeting in September 2022, along with the Children's Services Commissioner and Associate Commissioner.		
3) Draft Terms of Reference - Scutiny review of Child Poverty.		Mustansir Butt.	Council resolution from its meeting on Tuesday 15 March 2022, during their discssions relating to sporting children and families to thrive post pandemic.
4) Work Planning.	There is a need to regularly review the work programme, in order to prioritise and manage the work.	Mustansir Butt.	
Wednesday, 12th October 2022 at City Hall, Bradford.			
Chair's briefing 21/09/22. Report deadline 29/09/22.			
1) Monitoring of the Children's Services Improvement Plan.	Focusing specifically on Priority 2 of the plan - Caseloads across all	Marium Haque/Picklu Roychoudhary.	Children's Servoces Overview & Scrutiny Committee recommendation from Social Work Teams. Wednesday 23
March 2022.			

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Wednesday, 12th October 2022 at City Hall, Bradford.			
Chair's briefing 21/09/22. Report deadline 29/09/22.			
2) OFSTED Inspection of SEND.		Niall Devlin/Ali Jan Haider.	Member Request and Children's Services Overview & Scrutiny Committee recommendfation from Wednesday 29 June 2022.
3) Work Planning.	There is a need to regularly review the work programme, in order to prioritise and manage the work.	Mustansir Butt.	
Wednesday, 30th November 2022 at City Hall, Bradford.			
Chair's briefing 09/11/22. Report deadline 17/11/22.			
1) Mental Health Issues relating to Children's Social Care.	Report to include the targetting of improved timelinses of autism assessments and diagnosis.	Ali Jan Haider/David Sims/Christina Hollaway/Kristain Farnell.	Children's Services Overview & Scrutiny Committee recommendation from Wednesday 17 November 2021.
2) Findings from the review into children's health assessments caseloads.		Michelle Turner/Catherine Murray.	
3) Troubled Families Programme. Overview & Scrutiny	Focusing on key the programme and exploring more Wednesday 17 November 2021. approaches, to ensure the sustainable approaches to the continuation of the continuity of the programme, if it were not to be funded beyond the currently known three-year period, 2022-25.	outcomes delivered by	Chad Thompson. Children's Services Committee recommendation from options for more sustainable
4) Serious Case Review Findings.	Progress against the review recommendatikns, togeter with examples of some positive outcomes.	Darren Minton.	Chidlren's Services Overview & Scrutiny Committee recommendation from Wednesday 30 June 2022.
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Wednesday, 14th December 2022 at City Hall, Bradford.			
Chair's briefing 23/11/22. Report deadline 01/12/22.			
1) Establishing the Bradford Children and Families Trust.		Joanne Hyde/Marium Haque/Steve Walker/Eleanor Brazil/Chris Chapman.	Children's Services Overview & Scrutiny Committee recommendation from Wednesday 28 September 2022.
2) Exploitation Annual Report.		Darren Minton.	Children's Services Overview & Scrutiny Committee recommendation from Wednesday 15 December 2021.
3) Review into the existing CSE and development of the Multi-Agency Exploitation Hub.		Darren Minton.	Children's Services Overview & Scrutiny Committee recommendation from Wednesday 15 December 2021.
4) Annual Looked after Children.		Piklu Roychoudhary.	Children's Services Overview & Scrutiny Committee recommendation from Wednesday 15 December 2021.
5) Work Planning.	There is a need to regularly review the work programme, in order to prioritise and manage the work.	Mustansir Butt.	
Wednesday, 18th January 2023 at City Hall, Bradford.			
Chair's briefing 21/12/22. Report deadline 05/01/23.			
1) Monitoring the Children's Services Improvement Plan.		Marium Haque.	Children's Services Overview & Scrutiny Committee recommendation from Wednesday 23 March 2022.
2) Audit findings relating to the quality of Social Work Practice.	To focus on areas that require actions being taken to address the areas of practice that currently, most often are shown to require improvement or are inadequate.	David Jonhstone.	Children's Services Overview & Scrutiny Committee recommendation from Wednesday 9th February 2022.

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Wednesday, 18th January 2023 at City Hall, Bradford. Chair's briefing 21/12/22. Report deadline 05/01/23.			
3) Youth Offending Team.	Focusing on the Next Steps, which include: Sarah Griffen/Lisa Brett. - 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		Children's Services Overview & Scrutiny Committee recommendation from Wednesday 15 December 2021.
4) Work Planning.	There is a need to regularly review the work programme, in order to prioritise and manage the work.	Mustansir Butt.	
Wednesday, 1st February 2023 at City Hall, Bradford. Chair's briefing 11/01/23. Report deadline 19/01/23.			
1) Raising Attainment Strategy.	demonstrates key outcomes, with Emphasis on key outcomes, with particular emphasis on Wednesday 9th February 2022. Attainment Strategy.	Marium Haque/Sue Lowndes.	Children's Services Overview & Scrutiny Committee recommendation from the delivery of the Raising
2) Educational Standards - Early Years to Key Stage 4. March 2022.	To focus on: - Approaches being used to improve educational attainment across the District.	Marium Haque/Sue	Children's Services Overview & Scrutiny Lowndes. Committee recommendation from - More up-to-date data; Wednesday 9th
3) Opportunity Funding.		Kathryn Loftus	Children's Services Overview & Scrutiny Committee recommendation from Wednesday 9th March 2022.
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Wednesday, 15th March 2023 at City Hall, Bradford. Chair's briefing 22/02/23. Report deadline 02/03/23.			
1) Monitoring the Children;'s Services Improvement Plan.		Marium Haque.	Children's Servoces Overview & Scrutiny Committee recommendation from Wednesday 23 March 2022.
2) Workforce Development - Children's Services. Children's Services Overview & Scrutiny	To focus specifically focus on: -The effectiveness of the new recruitment campaign; - Retention of staff; - Progress on training and growing our own staff; - The exact breakdown of workforce establishment for social workers and the level of vacancies at each grade level.		Committee recommendation from Wednesday 9th February 2022.
3) Sufficiency Strategy, to also include In-house Fostering Service and Adoptions.		Piklu Roychoudhary.	Chidlren's Services Overview & Scrutiny Committee recommendation from Wednesday 9 March 2022.
4) Young Carers.	To aso include measures of performance and details of outcomes and improvements delivered.	Cath Dew.	Children's Services Overview & Scrutiny Committee recommendation from Wednesday 23rd March 2022
5) Work Planning.	There is a need to regularly review the work programme, in order to prioritise and manage the work.	Mustansir Butt.	