

Report of the Chair of Children's Services Overview and Scrutiny Committee to the meeting to be held on Tuesday 15 December 2015.

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Subject:

Subject: Children's Services Overview and Scrutiny Committee Work Programme 2015-16

Summary statement:

This report presents the Committee's Work Programme 2015-16

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Chair – Children's Services O&S Committee

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Education, Skills and Culture
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1. **Summary**

1.1 This report presents the Committee's Work Programme 2015-16

2. **Background**

2.1 Each Overview and Scrutiny Committee is required by the Constitution of the Council to prepare a work programme (Part 3E – Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rules, Para 1.1).

3. **Report issues**

3.1 **Appendix 1** of this report presents the Work Programme 2015-16.

3.2 **Work planning cycle**

3.2.1 Best practice published by the Centre for Public Scrutiny suggests that 'work programming should be a continuous process'. It is important to regularly review work programmes so that important or urgent issues that come up during the year are able to be scrutinised. In addition, at a time of limited resources, it should also be possible to remove projects which have become less relevant or timely. For this reason, it is proposed that the Committee's work programme be regularly reviewed by Members throughout the municipal year.

4. **Options**

4.1 Members may wish to amend the current work programme (Appendix 1) and / or comment on the proposed work planning cycle set out in Paragraph 3.2.1.

5. **Contribution to corporate priorities**

5.1 The Children's Services Overview and Scrutiny Committee Work Programme 2015-16 reflects the Council's priority outcomes:-

- *Transforming educational outcomes by improving attainment*
- *Supporting and safeguarding the most vulnerable adults, children and families*

6. **Recommendations**

6.1 That the Work Programme 2015-16 continues to be regularly reviewed during the year.



7. **Background documents**

7.1 Constitution of the Council

8. **Not for publication documents**

None

9. **Appendix**

9.1 **Appendix 1** – Children’s Services Overview and Scrutiny Committee Work Programme 2015-16



Democratic Services - Overview and Scrutiny

Childrens Services O&S Committee

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Tuesday, 12th January 2016 at City Hall, Bradford.

Chair's briefing 16/12/2015. Secretariat deadline 22/12/2015.

- 1) Schools Forum update
- 2) Educational Attainment Update
- 3) Partnerships update
- 4) Ofsted Action Plan
- 5) Children's Services O&S Committee Work Programme

The Committee will receive an update on the work of the Schools Forum.
 The Committee will receive an updates onEducational Attainment in the district
 The Committee will receive an update report on the schools partnerships.
 The Committee will receive an update report on the Ofsted Action Plan
 The Committee will consider its work programme and make changes as necessary.

Andrew Redding
 Judith Kirk
 Judith Kirk
 Judith Kirk
 Licia Woodhead

Wednesday, 27th January 2016 at City Hall, Bradford.

Chair's briefing 11/01/2016. Secretariat deadline 14/01/2016.

- 1) Better Start Bradford Programme
- 2) Bradford and District Learning Hub
- 3) The Children's Trust
- 4) Post 16 Review
- 5) Children's Services O&S Committee Work Programme

The Committee will receive an update on the activity and impact of the work associated with the Better Start Programme.
 The Committee will receive a progress report which includes the result of the external evaluation, the work being undertaken in other Wards in the district and how the initiative would roll out to Children's Centres.
 The Committee will receive an update report highlighting the changes made to the governance arrangements as a result of the review of the Children's Trust.
 The Committee will receive a report on the Post 16 review
 The Committee will consider its work programme and make changes as necessary.

Michaela Howell / Shirley Brierley
 Judith Kirk
 Linda Mason
 Judith Kirk
 Licia Woodhead

Wednesday, 10th February 2016 at St.Edmunds Childrens Centre.

Chair's briefing 25/01/2016. Secretariat deadline 28/01/2016.

- 1) Engagement, Resilience and Well being of Teaching Staff in the Bradford District
- 2) Teaching Schools

The Committee will receive a presentation from Dr George Madine.
 The Committee will receive a report on Bradford Teaching Schools

Dr George Madine
 Judith Kirk

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- 3) Children's Services O&S Committee Work Programme

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Licia Woodhead

Thursday, 10th March 2016 at City Hall, Bradford.

Chair's briefing 22/02/2016. Secretariat deadline 25/02/2016.

- 1) Workloads of Children's Social Care Services
- 2) Standards Report
- 3) Governance Arrangements
- 4) Children's Services O&S Committee Work Programme

The Committee will receive a report on the workloads of Children's Social Care Services.

Gani Martins

The Committee will receive a report on the validated GCSE data
The Committee will receive an update on the developments and impact of the Bradford Education Improvement Commissioning Board

Judith Kirk
Michael Jameson

The Committee will consider its work programme and make changes as necessary.

Licia Woodhead

Wednesday, 30th March 2016 at City Hall, Bradford.

Chair's briefing 14/03/2016. Secretariat deadline 16/03/2016.

- 1) Schools Forum update
- 2) Outdoor Education Centres
- 3) Development of Two year old early education Places
- 4) Cultural Education

The Committee will receive an update on the work of the Schools Forum.

Andrew Redding

The Committee will receive a progress report on the Outdoor education Centres

Linda Mason / Graham Hutton

The Committee will receive a progress report on the development of two year old early education places.

Linda Mason

The Committee will receive a report on how cultural and creative education can lead to improved outcomes for young people.

Judith Kirk

Tuesday, 12th April 2016 at City Hall, Bradford.

Chair's briefing 24/03/2016. Secretariat deadline 31/03/2016.

- 1) School Expansion
- 2) Youth Service - Youth Offer Review
- 3) Equalities Act - Education

The Committee will receive an update report on school expansion projects.

Ian Smart

The Committee will receive a report on the action plan following the youth offer review.

Ian Day

Referral from Corporate O&S

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The Committee will receive a report detailing progress against the resolutions made during the 2015-16 municipal year.

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- 4) Resolution Tracking