

People Services Scrutiny Committee – 22nd September, 2015

Report of the Lead Officer

Additional Item for Inclusion in the People Services Annual Scrutiny Programme for 2015/16

Purpose of Report

1. To note the inclusion of an additional item into the Annual Scrutiny Programme for 2015/16.

Background

2. The Annual Scrutiny Programme for 2015/16 was approved at the meeting of the Overview and Scrutiny Management Board held on 10th June, 2015.
3. The topics identified for scrutiny were reported to individual Scrutiny Committees during June/July. On 6th July, the People Services Scrutiny Committee considered a report of the Lead Officer to the Committee on the People Services Annual Scrutiny Programme for 2015/16.
4. At that meeting, following the presentation of each item included in the Annual Scrutiny Programme, the Strategic Director (People Services) suggested a further topic for inclusion relating to School Improvement and Performance Data, which was considered an area of significant importance that warranted closer scrutiny.
5. The People Services Scrutiny Committee resolved to request the Overview and Scrutiny Management Board to consider the proposal to include the additional item, as referred to in paragraph 4, in the Annual Scrutiny Programme for 2015/16.
6. A report was submitted to the Overview and Scrutiny Management Board for consideration on 3rd September, 2015 and it was agreed for the additional item in relation to School Improvement and Performance Data to be included in the People Services Annual Scrutiny Programme for 2015/16.
7. The proposed timetabling of the topics scheduled for consideration at future meetings of the People Service Scrutiny Committee are:-

18th November, 2015

- Budget Scrutiny

28th January, 2016

- Adult Safeguarding Annual Report
- Deprivation of Liberty Safeguards (DOLS)

10th March, 2016

- Child Sexual Exploitation
- Children's Safeguarding Annual Report
- Multi Agency Safeguarding Hub (MASH)
- School Improvement and Performance Data

Finance

8. The costs of operating the revised scrutiny arrangements will be contained within existing budgetary allocations.

Law

9. Scrutiny Committees are established in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government Act 1972 and the requirements of the Council's Constitution, which was adopted under the Local Government Act 2000, subsequent legislation and associated Regulations and Guidance.

Equality Impact

10. Provision exists within the recommended scrutiny arrangements for overview and scrutiny to be undertaken of the Council's policies on equality and diversity.

Recommendations

11. That the Scrutiny Committee notes the inclusion of an additional item in relation to School Improvement and Performance Data in the Annual Scrutiny Programme for 2015/16.



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List of Background Papers

- Reports and minutes of the Overview and Scrutiny Management Board dated 10th June, 2015.
- Report and minutes of the People Services Scrutiny Committee dated 6th July, 2015.
- Report and minutes of the Overview and Scrutiny Management Board dated 3rd September, 2015.