

**Scrutiny Board (Children's Services)
Potential Items for Work Programme 2007/08**

Item	Description	Notes	Type of item
Possible items for 2007/08 work programme from 2006/07			
Behaviour/ Area Management Boards/ Pupil Referral Units	The Board considered a report on Area Management Boards in April, which focused on management arrangements. Members highlighted this as an area for further work in the new year.	Issues raised included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The activities of AMBs and the support to schools • The future of the PRUs • BESD SILC Ofsted • Wider issues around behaviour in education <p><i>Proposal - report to Scrutiny Board September/October</i></p>	RP
Key Stage 1 performance	Highlighted as an issue in February 2007, arising from the annual report on performance in primary schools.	This issue might be suitable for a working group to carry out initial information gathering <p><i>Proposal - consider alongside standards issues raised in June (see below)</i></p>	PM
Scrutiny by Children and Young People	To consider proposals for children and young people to carry out scrutiny activity	Last year the Board invited the Leeds Youth Council to select a topic for scrutiny and carry out their own scrutiny inquiry <p><i>Proposal - Invite Youth Council to propose topic after elections in October</i></p>	DP/RP
PFI	Community access and extended services have been an ongoing concern for Members	Overview and Scrutiny Committee may carry out some corporate work on PFI <p><i>Proposal - wait until after OSC decision</i></p>	RP
Children and Young People's Plan	The revised Plan was agreed in June 2007. Members flagged the importance of agreeing an approach to monitoring delivery of the Plan	<i>This has been incorporated into the Board's quarterly performance management cycle</i>	PM

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Children's Services Overview	Last year's Board set aside a number of meetings to maintain an overview across the Board's portfolio, and to monitor the development of the Children's Services arrangements in Leeds.	<i>This has been co-ordinated with the quarterly performance management cycle</i>	PM
Possible items for 2007/08 work programme from June meeting			
8-13 year olds	To examine services available to 8-13 year olds, participation rates, and how they are targeted, to maximize the preventive approach Issues around play	Children's Fund ends March 2008 Fits with inquiry recommendation on youth services <i>Proposal - First inquiry - set up working group at July meeting to scope inquiry</i>	DP
Education Standards	working class boys looked after children some minority ethnic groups children with special educational needs disabled children transition	See also Key Stage 1 performance above <i>Proposal - Second inquiry - set up working group at July meeting to scope inquiry</i>	RP/DP
Parenting support	To consider what support is available to parents, and how joined up it is	<i>Proposal - Report to Board on support available in October</i>	DP/RP
14-19 Review	Proposed college merger Post-14 Centres Wider agenda - standards/diplomas/ mixed economy of provision/rise in school leaving age/personalization/ attendance/NEET group	<i>Proposal - Report to Board in September/October</i>	DP
Governance Issues	Governance in a multi-agency model of provision	<i>Proposal - Briefing for Board in November</i>	B
Academy	How does it fit into the provision of children's services in Leeds?	<i>Proposal - Briefing for Board in November</i>	B

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Immigration	Meeting the needs of new immigrants in Leeds, including but not exclusively unaccompanied asylum seekers	<i>Proposal - refer to Overview and Scrutiny Committee</i>	
Health	Rising obesity despite healthy schools programme Sexual health including but not limited to teenage pregnancy Mental health	<i>Proposal - Refer to Health Board</i>	
Sustainability	energy/waste/travel	<i>Proposal - Refer to City Development Board</i>	

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Meeting date – 13th September 2007			
Formal responses to Scrutiny Board recommendations	To receive the formal response to the following final inquiry report: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Youth Services 		MSR
Children and Young People's Plan	The revised Plan was agreed in June 2007. Members flagged the importance of agreeing an approach to monitoring delivery of the Plan	This has been incorporated into the Board's quarterly performance management cycle	PM
Children's Services Overview	Last year's Board set aside a number of meetings to maintain an overview across the Board's portfolio, and to monitor the development of the Children's Services arrangements in Leeds.	This has been co-ordinated with the quarterly performance management cycle	PM
Performance Management and Recommendation Tracking	Quarter 1 information for 2007/08 (April - June)	All Scrutiny Boards receive performance information on a quarterly basis This item will also include tracking progress with previous Scrutiny recommendations	PM/MSR
Ofsted Inspections	Biannual update on Ofsted Inspections and schools causing concern	The Scrutiny Board agreed in 2006/07 to consider these reports to Executive Board	PM
8-13 year olds	To agree terms of reference for the Board's Inquiry		DP

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Meeting date – September/October 2007 (date to be confirmed)			
14-19 Review	To consider the emerging proposals for restructuring of education and training provision		DP
Behaviour Support	To consider a report on support for behaviour management in education	Issues raised included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The activities of AMBs and the support to schools • The future of the PRUs • BESD SILC Ofsted • Wider issues around behaviour in education 	RP
Meeting date – 11th October 2007			
8-13 year olds	To consider evidence as the first session of the board's inquiry		DP
Parenting support	To consider what support is available to parents, and how joined up it is		RP

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Meeting date – 8th November 2007			
Performance Management and Recommendation Tracking	Quarter 2 information for 2007/08 (July-Sept)	All Scrutiny Boards receive performance information on a quarterly basis This item will also include tracking progress with previous Scrutiny recommendations	PM/MSR
Children and Young People's Plan	The revised Plan was agreed in June 2007. Members flagged the importance of agreeing an approach to monitoring delivery of the Plan	This has been incorporated into the Board's quarterly performance management cycle	PM
Children's Services Overview	Last year's Board set aside a number of meetings to maintain an overview across the Board's portfolio, and to monitor the development of the Children's Services arrangements in Leeds.	This has been co-ordinated with the quarterly performance management cycle	PM
Governance Issues	To receive a briefing on governance in a multi-agency model of provision		B
Academy	To receive a briefing on how the Academy fits into the provision of children's services in Leeds		B
Education Standards	To agree terms of reference for the Board's Inquiry		RP/DP
Meeting date – 6th December 2007			
8-13 year olds	To consider evidence as the second session of the board's inquiry		DP
Scrutiny by Children and Young People	To consider proposals for children and young people to carry out scrutiny activity	Following Youth Council elections in October, the new Youth Council will be invited to select a topic for scrutiny	DP/RP

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Meeting date – 17th January 2008			
Education Standards	To consider evidence as the first session of the board's inquiry		RP/DP
Scrutiny by Children and Young People	To approve terms of reference for the chosen inquiry by children and young people		DP/RP
Meeting date – 14th February 2008			
Performance Management and Recommendation Tracking	Quarter 3 information for 2007/08 (Oct-Dec)	All Scrutiny Boards receive performance information on a quarterly basis This item will also include tracking progress with previous Scrutiny recommendations	PM/MSR
School performance and Ofsted Inspections	Annual report on school performance and biannual update on Ofsted Inspections and schools causing concern	The Scrutiny Board agreed in 2006/07 to consider these reports to Executive Board	PM
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Children's Services Overview	Last year's Board set aside a number of meetings to maintain an overview across the Board's portfolio, and to monitor the development of the Children's Services arrangements in Leeds.	This has been co-ordinated with the quarterly performance management cycle	PM
8-13 year olds	To agree the final report arising from the board's inquiry		DP

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Meeting date – 13th March 2008			
Education Standards	To consider evidence as the first session of the board's inquiry		RP/DP
Meeting date – 10th April 2008			
Annual Report	To agree the Board's contribution to the annual scrutiny report		
Education Standards	To agree the final report arising from the board's inquiry		RP/DP

Key:

RFS – Request for scrutiny

RP – Review of existing policy

DP – Development of new policy

MSR – Monitoring scrutiny recommendations

PM – Performance management

B – Briefings (including potential areas for scrutiny)

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Working Groups			
Working group	Membership	Progress update	Dates of meetings
Inquiry terms of reference 8-13 year olds			July
Inquiry terms of reference Education Standards			
Monitoring progress 'Catching the Bus'			