

Scrutiny Board (Children's Services)
Work Programme 2007/08
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Item	Description	Notes	Type of item
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
Inclusion Strategy	To consider the revised inclusion strategy	Further report requested by the Board in July 2007	DP

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Item	Description	Notes	Type of item
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		PM
Children's Services Overview	To maintain an overview across the Board's portfolio, and to monitor the development of the Children's Services arrangements in Leeds.		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
Parenting support	To consider what support is available to parents, and how joined up it is		RP
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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Item	Description	Notes	Type of item
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
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		PM
Children's Services Overview	To maintain an overview across the Board's portfolio, and to monitor the development of the Children's Services arrangements in Leeds.		PM
8-13 year olds	To agree the final report arising from the board's inquiry		DP

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Item	Description	Notes	Type of item
Meeting date – 13th March 2008			
Education Standards	To consider evidence as the second 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	Councillor Chapman Tony Britten Paul Gathercole Tim Hales Taira Kayani	Terms of reference drafted and presented to Board for approval in September	31 July
Inquiry terms of reference Education Standards	Councillor Lamb Councillor Lancaster Councillor Murray Tony Britten Celia Foote Sue Knights		19 September
'Catching the Bus' Monitoring progress	Councillor Lancaster Councillor Renshaw Tony Britten	It is suggested that this working group meets after the Youth Council elections in October	
Fountain Primary School	Councillor Hyde Councillor Renshaw Celia Foote Sandra Hutchinson		14 September