

**Scrutiny Board (Children's Services)
Work Programme 2008/09**

Item	Description	Notes	Type of item
Meeting date – 11 December 2008			
Inquiry – Education Standards – entering the education system	To receive evidence as the first session of the Board's Inquiry		RP/DP
Breeze Youth Promise	To consider the newly launched Youth Promise	The Board decided in October that it wished to review how well the Promise responds to recommendation 1 of the Youth Services Inquiry report published in May 2007.	MSR
Meeting date – 8 January 2009			
Performance Management	Quarter 2 information for 2008/09 (July-Sept)	All Scrutiny Boards receive performance information on a quarterly basis	PM
Children's Services and the Children and Young People's Plan	To maintain an overview across the Board's portfolio, and to monitor the development of the Children's Services arrangements in Leeds	The Board has agreed to monitor progress against the priorities in the Plan on a quarterly basis	PM
Recommendation Tracking	This item tracks progress with previous Scrutiny recommendations on a quarterly basis		MSR
Leeds Inclusive Learning Strategy	Quarterly progress update from the Programme Board	Agreed by the Board in July 2008	PM
Meeting date – 5 February 2009			
Draft Children and Young People's Plan	To comment on the draft second Plan	Timing subject to confirmation	DP
Inquiry – 14-19 Education Review	To receive evidence as the second session of the Board's inquiry		DP

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Item	Description	Notes	Type of item
Meeting date – 5 March 2009			
Inquiry – Education Standards – entering the education system	To receive evidence as the second session of the Board's Inquiry		RP/DP
Meeting date – 2 April 2009			
Performance Management	Quarter 3 information for 2008/09 (Oct-Dec)	All Scrutiny Boards receive performance information on a quarterly basis	PM
Children's Services and the Children and Young People's Plan	To maintain an overview across the Board's portfolio, and to monitor the development of the Children's Services arrangements in Leeds	The Board has agreed to monitor progress against the priorities in the Plan on a quarterly basis	PM
Recommendation Tracking	This item tracks progress with previous Scrutiny recommendations on a quarterly basis		MSR
Leeds Inclusive Learning Strategy	Quarterly progress update from the Programme Board	Agreed by the Board in July 2008	PM
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
Inquiry Reports	To finalise the reports and recommendations arising from the Board's inquiries this year	Timing subject to confirmation	
Annual Report	To agree the Board's contribution to the annual scrutiny report		

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Unscheduled			
Locality Governance	To consider progress in developing locality governance arrangements within Children's Services	Requested in October 2008, arising from consideration of the Leadership Challenge evaluation report	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
Young People's Scrutiny Forum – Protecting our Environment	Members of Leeds Youth Council and ROAR	Terms of reference agreed April 2008 Currently taking evidence	
Attendance	Mr Britten Prof Gosden Mr Falkingham	Membership agreed October 2008	
Involving young people in scrutiny	Councillor Hyde Councillor Cleasby Councillor Lancaster Councillor Renshaw Mrs Knights Mr Britten	Agreed September 2008 To meet with representatives from Leeds Youth Council Scrutiny Group to discuss young people's ongoing involvement in the work of the Board.	To be confirmed