

## Scrutiny Board (Children and Families)

The Scrutiny Board (Children and Families) is authorised to discharge the following overview and scrutiny functions<sup>1</sup>.

1. to review or scrutinise the exercise of any council or executive function or any other related matter including :-
  - a) reducing the numbers of looked after children
  - b) improving attendance
  - c) increasing the number of young people in employment, education and training
2. to carry out such other reviews or policy development tasks as it may be requested to do by either the Executive Board or the Council.
3. to act as the appropriate Scrutiny Board in relation to the Executive's initial proposals for a relevant plan or strategy<sup>2</sup> within the Budget and Policy Framework<sup>3</sup>
4. to review or scrutinise executive decisions that have been Called In <sup>4</sup>
5. to receive and monitor formal responses to any reports or recommendations made by the Board
6. to review outcomes, targets and priorities within the Council Business Plan and City Priority Plans and to make such reports and recommendations as it considers appropriate;
7. to receive requests for scrutiny and councillor calls for action<sup>5</sup> and undertake any subsequent work

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<sup>1</sup> In relation to functions delegated to the Director of Children's Services under the Officer Delegation Scheme whether or not those functions are concurrently delegated to any other committee or officer.

<sup>2</sup> Namely the Youth Justice Plan and the Children and Young Peoples Plan

<sup>3</sup> In accordance with Budget and Policy Framework Procedure Rules.

<sup>4</sup> In accordance with the Scrutiny Board Procedure Rules.

<sup>5</sup> Including requests made in relation to health and social care matters in accordance with the Local Authority (Overview and Scrutiny Committees Health Scrutiny Functions) Regulations 2002 but not including requests in relation to crime and disorder matters.