

Report of Head of Scrutiny and Member Development

Report to Scrutiny Board (Children and Families)

Date: 20th June 2012

Subject: Scrutiny inquiry into combating child poverty and raising aspirations

Are specific electoral Wards affected? If relevant, name(s) of Ward(s):	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Are there implications for equality and diversity and cohesion and integration?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
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Summary of main issues

1. In 2011/12 the Scrutiny Board agreed to undertake an inquiry into combating child poverty and raising aspirations. On the 26th of April 2012 the Board was in a position to agreed its recommendations resulting from the evidence gathered. Further supplementary information has been added to the body of the report at the request of the Scrutiny Board since this date to further explain the relevant evidence considered.
2. The recommendations detailed in the report are those agreed by the Board in April.

Recommendations

3. Members are asked to note and agree the content of the inquiry report and the supplementary information supporting the recommendations already agreed following its inquiry into combating child poverty and raising aspirations.

Background documents

4. None used¹

¹ The background documents listed in this section are available for inspection on request for a period of four years following the date of the relevant meeting. Accordingly this list does not include documents containing exempt or confidential information, or any published works. Requests to inspect any background documents should be submitted to the report author.