

SCRUTINY BOARD (CHILDREN AND FAMILIES)

Meeting to be held in Civic Hall, Leeds, LS1 1UR on
Wednesday, 11th May, 2022 at 10.00 am
(A pre-meeting will take place for ALL Members of the Board at 9.45 a.m.)

MEMBERSHIP

Councillors

H Bithell	-	Kirkstall;
E Flint	-	Weetwood;
A Forsaith	-	Farnley and Wortley;
C Gruen	-	Bramley and Stanningley;
Z Hussain	-	Roundhay;
J Illingworth	-	Kirkstall;
A Lamb (Chair)	-	Wetherby;
S Lay	-	Otley and Yeadon;
A Marshall-Katung	-	Little London and Woodhouse;
K Renshaw	-	Ardley and Robin Hood;
L Richards	-	Wetherby;
J Senior	-	Morley South;
R. Stephenson	-	Harewood;

Co-opted Members (Voting)

Mr E A Britten	-	Church Representative (Catholic)
Mr A Graham	-	Church Representative (Church of England)
Mrs K Blacker	-	Parent Governor Representative (Primary)
Ms J Ward	-	Parent Governor Representative (Secondary)

Co-opted Members (Non-Voting)

Ms C Foote	-	School Staff Representative
Ms H Bellamy	-	School Staff Representative
Ms L Whitaker	-	Young Lives Leeds

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A G E N D A

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1			<p>APPEALS AGAINST REFUSAL OF INSPECTION OF DOCUMENTS</p> <p>To consider any appeals in accordance with Procedure Rule 25* of the Access to Information Procedure Rules (in the event of an Appeal the press and public will be excluded).</p> <p>(* In accordance with Procedure Rule 25, notice of an appeal must be received in writing by the Head of Governance Services at least 24 hours before the meeting).</p>	
2			<p>EXEMPT INFORMATION - POSSIBLE EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. To highlight reports or appendices which officers have identified as containing exempt information, and where officers consider that the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information, for the reasons outlined in the report. 2. To consider whether or not to accept the officers recommendation in respect of the above information. 3. If so, to formally pass the following resolution:- <p>RESOLVED – That the press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following parts of the agenda designated as containing exempt information on the grounds that it is likely, in view of the nature of the business to be transacted or the nature of the proceedings, that if members of the press and public were present there would be disclosure to them of exempt information, as follows:</p> <p>No exempt items have been identified.</p>	

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LATE ITEMS

To identify items which have been admitted to the agenda by the Chair for consideration.

(The special circumstances shall be specified in the minutes.)

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DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

To disclose or draw attention to any interests in accordance with Leeds City Council's 'Councillor Code of Conduct'.

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APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND NOTIFICATION OF SUBSTITUTES

To receive any apologies for absence and notification of substitutes.

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MINUTES - 30TH MARCH 2022

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To approve as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 30th March 2022.

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OFSTED INSPECTION REPORT

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To receive a report from the Head of Democratic Services which invites the Scrutiny Board to consider the findings of the recent Ofsted inspection of children's services in Leeds.

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NOTIFICATION OF SERIOUS CHILD SAFEGUARDING INCIDENTS REVIEW - UPDATE

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To receive a report from the Head of Democratic Services which presents a briefing paper by the Leeds Safeguarding Children Partnership updating the Scrutiny Board on the Notification of Serious Child Safeguarding Incidents review.

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WORK SCHEDULE

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To consider the Scrutiny Board's work schedule for the 2021/22 municipal year and draft work schedule for the 2022/23 municipal year.

DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Children and Families Scrutiny Board is provisionally scheduled for Wednesday 8th June 2022 at 10.00 am (pre-meeting for all Board Members at 9.45 am).

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SCRUTINY BOARD (CHILDREN AND FAMILIES)

WEDNESDAY, 30TH MARCH, 2022

PRESENT: Councillor A Lamb in the Chair

Councillors E Flint, A Forsaith, C Gruen,
Z Hussain, J Illingworth, J Lennox,
A Marshall-Katung, J Senior and
R. Stephenson

CO-OPTED MEMBER (VOTING)

Mr E A Britten - Church Representative (Catholic)
Mr A Graham – Church Representative (Church of England)
Ms J Ward – Parent Governor Representative (Secondary)
Mrs K Blacker - Parent Governor Representative (Primary)

CO-OPTED MEMBERS (NON-VOTING)

Ms C Foote – School Staff Representative
Ms H Bellamy – School Staff Representative
Ms L Whitaker - Young Lives Leeds

60 Appeals Against Refusal of Inspection of Documents

There were no appeals against the refusal of inspection of documents.

61 Exempt Information - Possible Exclusion of the Press and Public

There were no exempt items.

62 Late Items

There were no late items.

63 Declaration of Interests

There were no declarations of interest.

64 Apologies for Absence and Notification of Substitutes

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Bithell, Councillor Lay, Councillor Renshaw and Councillor Richards.

Councillor J Lennox attended as substitute for Councillor Bithell.

65 Minutes - 16th February 2022

Draft minutes to be approved at the meeting
to be held on Wednesday, 11th May, 2022

RESOLVED – That the minutes of the meeting held on 16th February 2022 be approved as an accurate record.

66 Matters Arising

Further to Minute No. 54 (Notification of Serious Incidents Review), a member of the Board referred to the commitment made by the Director of Children and Families to meet with the Independent Chair of the Leeds Safeguarding Children Partnership (LSCP) to reflect on whether a previous decision not to pursue a notification in respect of a specific 2021 case should be reconsidered. The Deputy Director of Children and Families updated the Board and confirmed that since the Board's February meeting, there has been communication between the Director and the LSCP Chair in terms of reviewing that decision, which has included input from the Chair of the national Child Safeguarding Practice Review Panel, Annie Hudson, with the intention of reaching a conclusion within the next week.

RESOLVED – To note the updated position.

67 New Youth Work Model Update

To assist in accommodating the attendance of the Executive Board Member for Communities, the Chair sought the Board's agreement to change the order of the agenda and bring forward the item on the new youth work model.

The Director of Children and Families submitted a report setting out the work that has been undertaken since April 2021 to establish the new model of youth work delivery.

The following were in attendance for this item:

- Councillor Mary Harland, Executive Member for Communities.
- Councillor Jonathan Pryor, Executive Member for Economy, Culture and Education
- Councillor Fiona Venner, Executive Member for Adult and Children's Social Care and Health Partnerships
- Julie Longworth, Deputy Director of Children and Families
- Victoria Fuggles, Head of Early Help Services

The Executive Member for Communities gave a brief introduction and particularly acknowledged the timeliness of reporting back to Scrutiny in terms of providing assurance that the new model of delivery will be fully implemented on 1st April 2022.

In consideration of the report, the Board discussed the following matters –

- The balance of £16,379 allocated for projects in the West/North West area of the city and the commitment of the LCC Youth Service to work with providers in that area to identify how best to utilise this funding.

- National and local challenges regarding the recruitment and retention of qualified Youth Workers, with a recognised need to raise the profile of youth work and for the service to develop and grow its own workforce for the future.
- The distinction between qualified Youth Workers and the Youth Support Worker role, with opportunities being provided to Youth Support Workers to also gain an appropriate Youth Work qualification.
- The focus of enhanced youth work contracts in Wards with highest indices of deprivation in recognition that young people living in the most deprived neighbourhoods have lower attainment at school and are more likely to be NEET, as well as more likely to be involved in crime and anti-social behaviour.
- The important relationship between the Youth Service and the Cluster Partnerships.
- The valuable role of Life Coaches within the LCC Youth Service and the importance of linking in with the Early Help Hubs to ensure integrated working, including links with CAMHS.
- The work being undertaken with Leeds Beckett University to develop an appropriate Youth Work Quality Framework for Leeds to be used by the service and also 3rd Sector providers.

RESOLVED –

- (a) To note the comprehensive consultation and partnership work undertaken to ensure the new model of youth work delivery will be implemented by April 2022.
- (b) That the Scrutiny Board supports and endorses the approach being taken to develop a joined up and consistent approach to the quality assurance and promotion of the Youth Work Offer in Leeds.
- (c) That the Scrutiny Board continues to monitor the implementation of the new youth work model and considers a further update within the next 12 months.

68 Update on Thriving: The Child Poverty Strategy for Leeds

The Director of Children and Families submitted a report that provided an overview of ‘Thriving: The Child Poverty Strategy for Leeds’ and the work that sits underneath the strategy, including work that has occurred during the pandemic.

The following were in attendance for this item:

- Councillor Jonathan Pryor, Executive Member for Economy, Culture and Education
- Councillor Fiona Venner, Executive Member for Adult and Children’s Social Care and Health Partnerships
- Julie Longworth, Deputy Director of Children and Families
- David Feeney, Chief Planning Officer
- Anup Sharma, Senior Planner, City Development
- Simon Frosdick, Business Development Manager, Parks & Countryside

In introducing this item, the Chair explained that the Scrutiny Board has maintained a watching brief surrounding the development and implementation of the Child Poverty Strategy for Leeds and back in September 2021, the Board had particularly welcomed the introduction of a new workstream that is focusing on green spaces.

It was noted that while this latest report provides an updated position on all 7 of the workstreams that sit underneath the Strategy, the Board had agreed to invite representation from Planning and Parks & Countryside to today's meeting to contribute to discussions around the new green space workstream in particular.

In consideration of the report, the Board discussed the following matters –

- The effective use of the development process to strategically deliver the best type and the best quality of green space to where it is most needed in Leeds.
- The specific review of the Green Spaces guidance aimed at developers of all types of private residential schemes to help ensure new green spaces are good quality, include play and natural features and are attractive and accessible to all.
- Green space protection and links to the Local Plan Update, with the service currently exploring this as one of the many Green Infrastructure Policy possible improvements to take forward.
- Positive examples of food production initiatives within local communities.
- The importance of collaborative working between Planning, Parks & Countryside, Health and Children and Families in terms of improving outcomes linked to the Child Friendly Leeds ambition.
- Strengthening links between the Leeds Parks and Green Spaces Strategy and the Leeds Play Strategy in terms of the aspiration of having a wide range of good quality play facilities for children and young people of all ages and abilities. This includes ensuring young people are engaged in the design of such facilities.
- The importance of parks and greenspaces being sufficiently maintained and made safe for local community use.

RESOLVED –

- (a) That the Scrutiny Board endorses the strategic framework in place to mitigate the impact of child poverty and the work being undertaken by the Council and other partners in the key areas of activity.
- (b) That the Scrutiny Board continues to monitor the implementation of the strategy and receives a further update report within the next 12 months.

69 Inquiry into tackling the long-term impacts of covid-19 on children and families - formal response

The Head of Democratic Services submitted a report that provided a formal response to the recommendations arising from the Scrutiny Board's earlier

inquiry into tackling the long-term impacts of Covid-19 on children and families.

The following were in attendance for this item:

- Councillor Jonathan Pryor, Executive Member for Economy, Culture and Education
- Councillor Fiona Venner, Executive Member for Adult and Children's Social Care and Health Partnerships
- Julie Longworth, Deputy Director of Children and Families
- Dave Clark, Head of Service for Learning Improvement
- Erica Hiorns, Leadership and Management Lead

In introducing this item, the Chair explained that in September last year, the Scrutiny Board had formally approved its inquiry report into tackling the long-term impacts of Covid-19 on children and families. The Board was now being asked to consider the formal response of the Director of Children and Families to the recommendations arising from this inquiry work.

Both the Head of Service for Learning Improvement and the Leadership and Management Lead gave a brief introduction to the report and also updated the Board on the following:

- *Recovering from lost learning* – the written formal response had referred to a conference being arranged for 1st March 2022 to support teachers and leaders around educational assessment to ascertain what students have, or have not, learnt and make changes to curriculum design and subsequent teaching as a result. Linked to this, the Board was informed that over 70 delegates had attended this conference.
- *Reading deep drive reviews* – there had been an increased number of bookings made by primary schools from 84 to 102.
- *Training session on 'meeting the needs of children with SpLD and literacy difficulties'* – with the SENIT team offering all primary schools access to this training session, it was noted that 47 schools have now signed up for that training.
- *Mental health and wellbeing of pupils and school staff* – Board Members were reminded of Priority 4 within the new 3As Strategy in terms of all children and staff working in learning settings being supported with their wellbeing. Linked to this it was reported that the Headteacher Support Service is being continued having recently appointed new postholders to that service, who will also be working to increase co-ordination to the range of support offers currently available.

In consideration of the report, the Board also discussed the following matters:

- The recruitment and retention of teachers, with links to the professional development available to early career teachers at the start of their careers.
- The low take up of the training offer to secondary schools aimed at supporting staff working with KS3 pupils who struggle to read fluently and

the intention to relaunch the offer following the Ofsted conference being held on 31st March 2022, that will be including a focus around the reading ability of older pupils.

RESOLVED – To note the content of the report and request that the successor Scrutiny Board continues to monitor progress linked to the inquiry recommendations.

70 SACRE Annual Report 2020 - 2021

The Director of Children and Families submitted a report which presented the Standing Advisory Council on Religious Education (SACRE) Annual Report for 2020-21.

The following were in attendance for this item:

- Councillor Jonathan Pryor, Executive Member for Economy, Culture and Education
- Councillor Fiona Venner, Executive Member for Adult and Children's Social Care and Health Partnerships
- Julie Longworth, Deputy Director of Children and Families
- Dave Clark, Head of Service for Learning Improvement
- Erica Hiorns, Leadership and Management Lead

The Executive Member for Economy, Culture and Education gave a brief introduction and praised the commitment and positive work that has been undertaken by SACRE.

The Leadership and Management Lead Officer then provided a more detailed overview of the key areas of work undertaken by SACRE.

The Scrutiny Board also congratulated and thanked SACRE for the work undertaken during 2020/21, as well as acknowledging its ongoing commitment in supporting all schools and academies within the city.

RESOLVED – To note the content and recommendations set out within the SACRE Annual Report for 2020/21.

71 Work Schedule

The report of the Head of Democratic Services set out the forthcoming work schedule, with the latest version appended to the report at Appendix 1.

The Principal Scrutiny Adviser introduced the report and highlighted that an additional meeting had been proposed during May to allow the current Board the opportunity to receive an update on the local review of the notifications process that was referenced during the Board's February meetings and also the findings of the recent Ofsted Inspection. Linked to this, it was agreed that this meeting would be held on Wednesday 11th May 2022 at 10 am.

In relation to the Board's inquiry work around exclusions, elective home education and off-rolling, it was also agreed that the Scrutiny Board would produce an interim report setting out the preliminary findings of Scrutiny based on the evidence that has been considered so far, as well as reflecting on what further considerations may be warranted by the successor scrutiny board.

RESOLVED –

- (a) That an additional meeting of the Children and Families Scrutiny Board is scheduled for Wednesday 11th May 2022 at 10 am.
- (b) That an interim report of the Scrutiny Board is produced in terms of setting out the preliminary findings of Scrutiny based on the evidence that has been considered so far linked to the inquiry work around exclusions, elective home education and off-rolling, as well as reflecting on what further considerations may be warranted by the successor scrutiny board.

72 Date and Time of Next Meeting

RESOLVED – To note the next formal meeting of the Children and Families Scrutiny Board will be on Wednesday 11th May 2022 at 10.00 am (pre-meeting at 9.45 am).

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Ofsted Inspection Report

Date: 11th May 2022

Report of: Head of Democratic Services

Report to: Scrutiny Board (Children and Families)

Will the decision be open for call in? Yes No

Does the report contain confidential or exempt information? Yes No

What is this report about?

Including how it contributes to the city's and council's ambitions

- Ofsted inspected children's social care services in Leeds between Monday 21 February to Friday 4 March 2022. This inspection was undertaken under the Ofsted 'ILACS' (Inspecting Local Authority Children's Services) framework.
- The purpose of this report is to brief the Children and Families Scrutiny Board on the findings of this recent Ofsted inspection of children's services in Leeds.

Recommendations

Members are requested to consider and discuss the findings of the recent Ofsted inspection of children's services in Leeds.

Why is the proposal being put forward?

1. Following the recent Ofsted inspection of children's services in Leeds, a full inspection report is expected to be published by Ofsted on Monday 9th May 2022. Once available, this report will be shared with the Children and Families Scrutiny Board for formal consideration as part of today's meeting.
2. Following a standard or short inspection, Ofsted will also produce and publish a standalone summary written for children and young people.

What impact will this proposal have?

Wards affected: All

Have ward members been consulted? Yes No

3. This inspection was undertaken under the Ofsted 'ILACS' (Inspecting Local Authority Children's Services) framework.
4. Ofsted describes the ILACS approach as a whole system of inspection which aims to apply a proportionate and risk-based approach. Ofsted use intelligence and information to decide how best to inspect each local authority.
5. The ILACS system includes:
 - local authorities sharing an annual self-evaluation of the quality and impact of social work practice.
 - an annual engagement meeting between a regional Ofsted representative and the local authority to review the self-evaluation and to reflect on what is happening in the local authority and inform how they would engage with each other in future.
 - Ofsted's local authority intelligence system (LAIS) (which brings data and information into a single record).
 - focused visits that look at a specific area of service or cohort of children.
 - standard and short inspections where Ofsted makes judgements using its 4-point scale.
 - Joint targeted area inspection (JTAI) - multi-agency inspections on changing themes.
6. After a standard or short inspection, the local authority is required to write an action plan that responds to the findings in the report. The requirement for this is set out in the Education and Inspections Act 2006 (Inspection of Local Authorities) Regulations 2007.
7. Further guidance relating to the ILACS framework can be accessed via the [Gov.uk website](#).

What consultation and engagement has taken place?

8. Almost all inspection evidence is gathered by looking at individual children and young people's experiences, largely through examining casefiles, meeting with practitioners to understand the nature and impact of their work and scrutinising electronic records. Where possible, inspectors will talk to children and young people although these discussions will not always be face to face; they are interested in hearing how children's rights are considered, how their entitlements are realised and about their experiences of local pledges or charters in practice.

What are the resource implications?

9. This report has no specific resource implications.

What are the legal implications?

10. This report has no specific legal implications.

What are the key risks and how are they being managed?

11. There are no risk management implications relevant to this report.

Does this proposal support the council's three Key Pillars?

- Inclusive Growth Health and Wellbeing Climate Emergency

12. This report relates to the Council's priority to make Leeds a Child Friendly City.

Appendices

13. Appendix 1 (*to follow*) – Leeds ILACS Report 2022

Background papers

14. None.

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Notification of Serious Child Safeguarding Incidents Review - Update

Date: 11th May 2022

Report of: Head of Democratic Services

Report to: Scrutiny Board (Children and Families)

Will the decision be open for call in? Yes No

Does the report contain confidential or exempt information? Yes No

What is this report about?

Including how it contributes to the city's and council's ambitions

- During its meeting on 16th February 2022, the Children and Families Scrutiny Board received a report from the Head of Democratic Services introducing an urgent matter of business relating to an issue which had been brought to the attention of the Children and Families Scrutiny Board Chair in respect of the processes supporting the Notification of Serious Child Safeguarding Incidents.
- The Chair advised the Board that he had been made aware of instances where differing views were evident within the Leeds Safeguarding Children Partnership in relation to whether or not to categorise a case as a notifiable Serious Child Safeguarding Incident. Arising from that, a local review of notification arrangements had commenced in December 2021 with the intention of reporting back to the Partnership once concluded. The Chair expressed his view that the current review of notification arrangements, and the background to it, should reasonably have been brought to the attention of the Children and Families Scrutiny Board at an earlier stage; and because of the seriousness of the issue, he had requested this issue be considered as a matter of urgency as part of the Board's February meeting.
- The Director and Deputy Director of Children and Families; the Leeds Safeguarding Children Partnership Chair; and the Executive Member for Adult and Children's Social Care and Health Partnerships had attended the Board's February meeting to provide further contextual information. The legal adviser to the Leeds Safeguarding Children Partnership was also in attendance and advised the Board on the legal framework within which Notification arrangements are managed.
- It was agreed that once available, the findings of the local review work would be brought back to the Scrutiny Board for consideration. The purpose of today's meeting is to update the Board on the current position with the review work. This is being provided in the form of a briefing note from the Leeds Safeguarding Children Partnership.

Recommendations

Members are requested to consider the content of the briefing note by the Leeds Safeguarding Children Partnership and determine appropriate next steps.

Why is the proposal being put forward?

1. During the Children and Families Scrutiny Board meeting on 16th February 2022, it was agreed that, once available, the findings of the local review of notification arrangements would be brought back to the Scrutiny Board for consideration. The purpose of today's meeting is to update the Board on the current position with this review work. This is being provided in the form of a briefing note from the Leeds Safeguarding Children Partnership which will be circulated to Board Members in advance of today's meeting.

What impact will this proposal have?

Wards affected: All

Have ward members been consulted?

Yes

No

2. The information presented to the Scrutiny Board will assist Members in determining appropriate next steps.

What consultation and engagement has taken place?

3. The Director and Deputy Director of Children and Families; the Chair of the Leeds Safeguarding Children Partnership (LSCP); the Executive Member for Adult and Children's Social Care and Health Partnerships; and the legal adviser to the LSCP had attended the Scrutiny Board's February meeting to contribute to the discussion and address any questions from Board Members.
4. In addition to the above, other partner members of the LSCP who are party to the Notification process have also been invited to contribute to today's meeting.

What are the resource implications?

5. This report has no specific resource implications.

What are the legal implications?

6. The Wood Review of 2016, led to an amendment of The Children's Act 2004, resulting in the removal of the statutory requirement of local authorities to have a Local Safeguarding Children Board and placed the responsibility for safeguarding equally with local authorities namely children and family services, police and health (Clinical Commissioning Groups).
7. The Children Act 2004 (as amended by the Children and Social Work Act 2017), the associated regulations and statutory guidance, 'Working Together to Safeguard Children 2018' set out the duties placed on the three agencies to work in partnership and to define the local multi-agency safeguarding arrangements. It also places a duty on other partner agencies to co-operate with the new arrangements albeit the local authority is designated as the accountable body for the Notification arrangements.
8. Given the legal restrictions it will not be appropriate for there to be any discussion of individual cases which fall within the notification arrangements.
9. Legal advice will be provided as necessary during the Board's deliberations.

What are the key risks and how are they being managed?

10. Details of associated risk management implications will be reflected as part of the updated position being presented during today's meeting.

Does this proposal support the council's three Key Pillars?

11. One of the eleven priorities set out with the Leeds Children and Young People's Plan is ensuring that the most vulnerable are protected.

Appendices

12. Appendix 1 (*to follow*) - A briefing paper by the Leeds Safeguarding Children Partnership updating the Children and Families Scrutiny Board on the Notification of Serious Child Safeguarding Incidents review.

Background papers

13. None.

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Work Schedule

Date: 11th May 2022

Report of: Head of Democratic Services

Report to: Scrutiny Board (Children and Families)

Will the decision be open for call in? Yes No

Does the report contain confidential or exempt information? Yes No

What is this report about?

Including how it contributes to the city's and council's ambitions

- All Scrutiny Boards are required to determine and manage their own work schedule for the municipal year. In doing so, the work schedule should not be considered a fixed and rigid schedule, it should be recognised as a document that can be adapted and changed to reflect any new and emerging issues throughout the year; and also reflect any timetable issues that might occur from time to time.
- The Scrutiny Board Procedure Rules also state that, where appropriate, all terms of reference for work undertaken by Scrutiny Boards will include 'to review how and to what effect consideration has been given to the impact of a service or policy on all equality areas, as set out in the Council's Equality and Diversity Scheme'.
- As well as considering the latest iteration of the Board's work schedule for the remainder of this municipal year, Members are also requested to consider and discuss the draft work schedule of the successor Scrutiny Board for the 2022/23 municipal year.

Recommendations

Members are requested to consider and discuss the Scrutiny Board's work schedule (as presented at Appendix 1) and also the draft work schedule of the successor Scrutiny Board for the 2022/23 municipal year (as presented at Appendix 3).

Why is the proposal being put forward?

1. All Scrutiny Boards are required to determine and manage their own work schedule for the municipal year and therefore the latest iteration of the Board's work schedule for the remainder of the municipal year is attached as Appendix 1 for Members' consideration.
2. The latest Executive Board minutes from the meeting held on 20th April 2022 are also attached as Appendix 2. The Scrutiny Board is asked to consider and note the Executive Board minutes, insofar as they relate to the remit of the Scrutiny Board; and consider any matter where specific scrutiny activity may also be warranted.

Developing the work schedule

3. When considering any developments and/or modifications to the work schedule, effort should be undertaken to:
 - Avoid unnecessary duplication by having a full appreciation of any existing forums already having oversight of, or monitoring a particular issue.
 - Ensure any Scrutiny undertaken has clarity and focus of purpose and will add value and can be delivered within an agreed time frame.
 - Avoid pure "information items" except where that information is being received as part of a policy/scrutiny review.
 - Seek advice about available resources and relevant timings, taking into consideration the workload across the Scrutiny Boards and the type of Scrutiny taking place.
 - Build in sufficient flexibility to enable the consideration of urgent matters that may arise during the year.
4. In addition, in order to deliver the work schedule, the Board may need to take a flexible approach and undertake activities outside the formal schedule of meetings – such as working groups and site visits, where necessary and appropriate. This flexible approach may also require additional formal meetings of the Scrutiny Board.

Developing the work programme for the new municipal

5. Scrutiny Boards are subject to an annual review and appointment process as part of the overall governance arrangements presented and agreed by Council at its annual meeting each year.
6. As such, Scrutiny Boards have tended to adopt different approaches to planning for the new municipal year and providing a 'handover' of issues to be considered by the appropriate and newly constituted Scrutiny Board. Linked to this, a draft schedule of planned meeting dates for the 2022/23 municipal year has been provided (see Appendix 3). This draft work schedule also includes known items of scrutiny activity, such as performance and budget monitoring, as well as other identified areas of work that the Board has already recommended for the successor Scrutiny Board to pursue in the new municipal year.
7. In relation to the Board's inquiry work around exclusions, elective home education and off-rolling, it was agreed that an interim statement of progress would be produced to highlight the preliminary findings of the Scrutiny Board based on the evidence that has been considered so far, as well as reflecting on what further considerations may be warranted by the successor Scrutiny Board. Board Members will be consulted on the content of this interim statement with the intention of it being shared and considered by the successor Scrutiny Board as part of its initial meeting in June.

8. In agreeing to recommend any specific matters for consideration by the successor Scrutiny Board, members should recognise the future work schedule will:
 - Become the responsibility of a successor Scrutiny Board (subject to the arrangements agreed by Council in May 2022).
 - Remain flexible and adaptable to reflect any new and emerging issues or changing priorities identified in the new municipal year.
 - Need to reflect any timetabling issues that might occur from time to time.
9. Nonetheless, setting out proposed meeting dates and a draft work schedule for the new municipal year will provide a foundation that will not only help with the initial planning for next year's Scrutiny Board, it also has the potential to help with planning the work programme in the longer-term.

What impact will this proposal have?

Wards affected: All

Have ward members been consulted? Yes No

10. All Scrutiny Boards are required to determine and manage their own work schedule for the municipal year.

What consultation and engagement has taken place?

11. The Vision for Scrutiny also states that Scrutiny Boards should seek the advice of the Scrutiny officer, the relevant Director and Executive Member about available resources prior to agreeing items of work.

What are the resource implications?

12. Experience has shown that the Scrutiny process is more effective and adds greater value if the Board seeks to minimise the number of substantial inquiries running at one time and focus its resources on one key issue at a time.
13. The Vision for Scrutiny, agreed by full Council also recognises that like all other Council functions, resources to support the Scrutiny function are under considerable pressure and that requests from Scrutiny Boards cannot always be met.
14. Consequently, when establishing their work programmes Scrutiny Boards should:
 - Seek the advice of the Scrutiny officer, the relevant Director and Executive Member about available resources;
 - Avoid duplication by having a full appreciation of any existing forums already having oversight of, or monitoring a particular issue;
 - Ensure any Scrutiny undertaken has clarity and focus of purpose and will add value and can be delivered within an agreed time frame.

What are the legal implications?

15. This report has no specific legal implications.

What are the key risks and how are they being managed?

16. There are no risk management implications relevant to this report.

Does this proposal support the council's three Key Pillars?

Inclusive Growth Health and Wellbeing Climate Emergency

17. The terms of reference of the Scrutiny Boards promote a strategic and outward looking Scrutiny function that focuses on the best council objectives.

Appendices

18. Appendix 1 – Latest work schedule of the Children and Families Scrutiny Board for the 2021/22 municipal year.
19. Appendix 2 – Draft minutes of the Executive Board meeting held on 20th April 2022.
20. Appendix 3 – Draft work schedule of the Children and Families Scrutiny Board for the 2022/23 municipal year.

Background papers

21. None.



Scrutiny Board (Children and Families) Work Schedule for 2021/2022 Municipal Year

June	July	August
Meeting Agenda for 9th June 2021	Meeting Agenda for 7th July 2021	No Scrutiny Board meeting
<p style="text-align: center;">** Consultative Meeting**</p> <p>Scrutiny Board Terms of Reference and Sources of Work (DB)</p> <p>Performance Update (PM)</p> <p>Looked After Children and the EU Settlement Scheme – update position in Leeds (PSR)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">** Consultative Meeting**</p> <p>Scrutiny Inquiry into Exclusions, Elective Home Education and Off-rolling – current position and determining next steps (PSR)</p> <p>Youth Work Review and Future Vision (PSR)</p>	
Working Group Meetings		
Site Visits		

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September	October	November
Meeting Agenda for 8th September 2021	Meeting Agenda for 13th October 2021	Meeting Agenda for 3rd November 2021
<p>Co-opted Members (DB)</p> <p>Proposal to permanently increase learning places at St Edward's Catholic Primary School from September 2022 (PDS)</p> <p>Tackling the long-term impacts of Covid-19 on children and families – Formal ratification of final inquiry report (PSR)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Meeting Agenda for 15th September 2021</p> <p style="text-align: center;">** Consultative Meeting**</p> <p>Leeds Child Poverty Strategy – Update (PSR)</p> <p>Covid-19 update with a focus on learning (PSR)</p> <p>Ofsted findings following a focused visit to Leeds Children's Services in July 2021 (PSR)</p>	<p>Youth Justice Plan 2021 – 24 (PDS)</p> <p>Covid-19 recovery update with a focus on Early Years, Early Help and Children's Social Care (PSR)</p> <p>Ofsted Focused Visit Improvement Plan (PSR)</p> <p>Scrutiny Inquiry into Exclusions, Elective Home Education and Off-rolling (Part 2) - finalising terms of reference (PSR)</p>	<p>Scrutiny Inquiry into Exclusions, Elective Home Education and Off-rolling (Part 2) – evidence session 1 (PSR)</p> <p>DfE guidance for GCSE and A level assessments for 2022 (DB)</p> <p>SEND and Inclusion Strategy for Leeds (PDS)</p> <p>Leeds 3As Plan (PDS)</p>
Working Group Meetings		

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December	January	February
No Scrutiny Board meeting.	Meeting Agenda for 26th January 2022	Meeting Agenda for 16th February 2022
	Performance report (PM) Financial Health Monitoring (PSR) 2022/23 Initial Budget Proposals (PDS) Ofsted Focused Visit Improvement Plan (PSR)	Notification of Serious Incidents Review (PSR) <i>- Late item of urgent business</i> Future in Mind Strategy – Update (PSR) Covid-19 recovery update relating to those service areas that fall within the remit of the Children and Families Scrutiny Board (PSR) – <i>Deferred to a future meeting.</i> Tackling the long-term impacts of Covid - Formal Response (RT) – <i>Deferred to March meeting.</i>
Working Group Meetings		
2022/23 Initial Budget Proposals (PDS) – 16/12/21 @ 9.30 am.		
Site Visits		

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March	April	May
Meeting Agenda for 30th March 2022	No Scrutiny Board meeting	Meeting Agenda for 11th May 2022
Annual report of the Leeds Standing Advisory Council on Religious Education (PSR) New Youth Work Model – update (PSR) Leeds Child Poverty Strategy – Update with a particular focus on the new green spaces priority (PSR) Tackling the long-term impacts of Covid - Formal Response (RT)		Notification of Serious Child Safeguarding Incidents Review – Update (PSR) Ofsted Inspection Report (PSR)
Working Group Meetings		
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EXECUTIVE BOARD

WEDNESDAY, 20TH APRIL, 2022

PRESENT: Councillor J Lewis in the Chair

Councillors S Arif, A Carter, D Coupar,
M Harland, H Hayden, S Golton, J Pryor,
M Rafique and F Venner

- 134 Exempt Information - Possible Exclusion of the Press and Public**
There was no information contained within the agenda which was designated as being exempt from publication.
- 135 Late Items**
There were no late items of business submitted to the Board for consideration.
- 136 Declaration of Interests**
There were no interests declared at the meeting.
- 137 Minutes**
RESOLVED – That the minutes of the previous meeting held on 16th March 2022 be approved as a correct record.

INFRASTRUCTURE AND CLIMATE

- 138 Levelling Up Fund (LUF) in Leeds**
Further to Minute No. 4, 8th June 2021, the Director of City Development submitted a report providing an update on the Levelling Up Fund (LUF) including the current position regarding the Council's bids to Government under Round 1 in 2021 and the anticipated approach towards Round 2 in 2022, which was in advance of the formal decision making for any future bid submissions.

By way of introduction, the Executive Member provided an overview of the current position regarding both Round 1 and Round 2 bids, extended her thanks to officers for the work which had been undertaken to date in relation to the formation of bids and also thanked MPs for their continued engagement in the process. In addition, it was noted that the intention was to bring a further report to the 22nd June 2022 Executive Board meeting regarding the proposals for the Round 2 LUF bids ahead of the Government's submission deadline of 6th July 2022.

Members discussed the progress which was being made in relation to Round 2 bids, with it being suggested that in addition to the planned consideration at the June Executive Board meeting, further Executive Member input be facilitated either via an additional Board meeting, or more informally. In response, it was undertaken that if it was felt that further Executive Member

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input was required to help maximise the opportunities presented by the fund, either via an additional Board meeting or by other means, then this would be scheduled at the appropriate time.

Responding to Members' enquiries regarding the restoration of Methley Train Station and whether this could potentially be considered as a Round 2 LUF bid, it was noted that this project was currently the subject of a live funding bid and that there was a lot of local momentum behind looking towards reopening the station.

The Board discussed several of the bids being proposed. Further to this, a Member highlighted that the work being undertaken to get all Leeds bids to the application stage was an investment, and whilst it was hoped that all submitted bids would be successful through the LUF programme, should any be unsuccessful, then that work undertaken could potentially be used to pursue alternative funding streams, where appropriate.

RESOLVED –

- (a) That the outcomes of the Round 1 LUF bids, be noted; and that the investment which has been secured for the Pudsey constituency 'Connecting West Leeds' project, be welcomed;
- (b) That further development of, and public consultation for the 'Leeds West: Green, Healthy and Connected' project, to enable its consideration as a Round 2 bid for that constituency, be supported;
- (c) That further development and refinement of the 'Leeds East: Fearnville Wellbeing Centre' project and its potential to be submitted as a Round 2 bid for that constituency, be supported;
- (d) That the need for further work in partnership with constituency MPs and Ward Members in order to define projects, undertake consultations and enable consideration of potential Round 2 bids in the Leeds Central, and Elmet & Rothwell constituencies, be noted;
- (e) That the opportunity to develop an additional city bid, or bids alongside MPs' prioritised constituency schemes, be noted; and that agreement be given for the Director of City Development, in consultation with the Executive Member for Infrastructure and Climate to explore further potential schemes for submission to the LUF, which can be considered at the June 2022 Executive Board for potential submission as necessary;
- (f) That a report be presented to the 22nd June 2022 Executive Board in order to agree which schemes are submitted as Round 2 LUF bids before the 6th July 2022 deadline; and that the comments made during the meeting be noted together with the undertaking that if it was felt that further Executive Member input was required to help maximise the opportunities presented by the fund, either via an additional Board

meeting or by other means, then this would be scheduled at the appropriate time.

RESOURCES

139 Financial Health Monitoring 2021/22 - Provisional Outturn (Month 11)

The Chief Officer (Financial Services) submitted a report presenting details of the financial health of the Council in respect of both the General Fund revenue budget and the Housing Revenue Account and in relation to the Provisional Outturn, as at Month 11 of the 2021/22 financial year.

By way of introduction, the Executive Member provided an overview of the key points within the report, with it being noted that an underspend of £0.4m was being forecast for the Authority as at the Provisional Outturn position for 2021/22.

Responding to a Member's enquiries, the Board received further information regarding the actions which were being taken to monitor and mitigate against the current financial risks arising from energy cost pressures and the fluctuating situation surrounding such matters. Further to this it was noted that the Council continued to liaise with other Local Authorities, the Local Government Association and the Government on the issue of energy cost pressures.

A Member made enquiries regarding the current level of void properties within the Council housing stock and the timeframe by which such properties were being made habitable again, with a suggestion that a report be submitted to a future Executive Board regarding such matters. Responding to the Member's enquiries, officers undertook to provide further information should this be required, and the Board received further detail regarding the issues which continued to be experienced in this area as a result of the pandemic. Members also received an update on the range of actions which were in place to address such matters and improve the current position regarding void properties.

RESOLVED –

- (a) That the projected financial position of the Local Authority at the Provisional Outturn (Month 11 of the 2021/22 financial year), together with the projected impact of COVID-19 on that position, as presented in the submitted report, be noted;
- (b) That it be noted that for 2021/22 the Authority is forecasting a £0.4m underspend position at the Provisional Outturn.

ADULT AND CHILDREN'S SOCIAL CARE AND HEALTH PARTNERSHIPS

140 Better Lives Strategy 2022 to 2027

The Director of Adults and Health submitted a report which sought approval of the proposed new Better Lives Strategy for the period 2022-2027, as presented at Appendix 1. The report provided a summary of the consultation

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and engagement which had been undertaken to inform the development of the proposed new strategy and it was noted that, subject to approval, the new strategy was scheduled to be launched in the summer of 2022.

The Executive Member introduced the report, highlighting the key consultation which had been undertaken as part of its development process, emphasised that it was a 'whole Council' strategy noting the linkages between this and the Council's other strategies and services, and how its delivery would be overseen by the Better Lives Board.

Responding to a Member's enquiry, the Board received further information on the range of metrics against each of the strategy's key themes that could potentially be monitored in order to measure delivery outcomes, with it being noted that the specific metrics deemed most appropriate would be agreed with the Better Lives Board. It was also noted that in relation to the reporting of the Council's delivery against such metrics, this would be reported to the Better Lives Board on a quarterly basis, with relevant information also being included within the Director's 'Local Account' annual report.

Responding to a Member's comment, the importance of clear public communications on matters such as this was emphasised, and the Board noted the role played by the Better Lives Board in ensuring that the Council continued to review its approach on how such wider public communications were best achieved in Leeds.

Members welcomed the development of the strategy as a document by which the standard of services delivered across the Council to people with care and support needs could be measured.

RESOLVED –

- (a) That the new Better Lives Strategy for 2022-2027, as presented at Appendix 1 to the submitted report, be approved;
- (b) That it be noted that the lead officer responsible for the implementation of such matters is the Director of Adults and Health.

141 Update on Thriving: The Child Poverty Strategy for Leeds

Further to Minute No. 64, 20th October 2021, the Director of Children and Families submitted a report which provided an update on the 'Thriving: The Child Poverty Strategy for Leeds', presenting information on the work which sat underneath the strategy, including work that had occurred throughout the pandemic. Specifically, the report provided an update on each of the workstreams within the strategy in terms of recent activities, outcomes and proposed next steps.

By way of introduction, the Executive Member provided an overview of the key points within the report, highlighting the current position regarding child poverty levels both locally and nationally, the cross-directorate working which continued to be developed in this area and the partnership work that continued to be undertaken with the third sector.

Members considered a number of issues arising from the report which included the importance of children's access to green space, the continued development of a cross directorate approach towards addressing issues such as child poverty and the measurement of the outcomes being delivered as a result of the actions taken.

In discussing the range of actions being taken by the Council in this area, the Board also acknowledged the scale of the challenge that continued to be faced, considered the trends regarding child poverty levels both locally and nationally and the impact of national policy upon such levels. Linked to this, Members also discussed the impact of the pandemic and the associated lock downs upon children and young people, and whilst it was acknowledged that there was still much to learn on the impact of the pandemic upon children, it was noted that the effects of the pandemic had been exacerbated in those children who were experiencing poverty during this time.

A Member made enquiries regarding the role of Children's Centres as part of the actions being taken in this area, with a suggestion that a report be submitted to a future Executive Board regarding such matters. Responding to the Member's enquiries, officers undertook to provide further information should this be required, whilst the Board received further detail on the continued work of Children's Centres across Leeds.

RESOLVED –

- (a) That the strategic framework in place to mitigate the impact of child poverty, together with the work being undertaken by the Council and other partners in the key areas of activity, as outlined within the submitted report, be endorsed;
- (b) That the need to promote the work of the 'Thriving' strategy across the city and in particular in each respective Member's portfolio, in order to highlight the impact of poverty on children and their families, be endorsed;
- (c) That it be noted that the responsible officer for such matters is the Deputy Director Children and Families.

COMMUNITIES

142 Leeds Response to the Ukrainian Crisis

The Director of Communities, Housing and Environment submitted a report which presented an overview and update on the current situation regarding the Ukrainian crisis, outlined the impact with regard to the city of Leeds and the Council and which provided details of the actions being taken to date across the city in response to the crisis.

In introducing the report, the Executive Member highlighted the key points within it, with details of the key actions being taken to welcome and support those Ukrainians who were arriving in the city being provided. The Board also

received information on the two separate settlement schemes in operation, and noted the details provided around the co-ordinated approach which continued to be taken both across the Council and with partner organisations across the city and the region, including the Leeds Branch of the Association of Ukrainians in Great Britain.

Further to this, the Board received a comprehensive update covering several areas, including:

- the latest numbers who had already arrived, or were scheduled to arrive in the city;
- details of the co-ordinated approach to ensure that appropriate safeguarding checks were being undertaken as part of the settlement schemes' matching process with sponsors, with checks on sponsors' accommodation also being undertaken;
- the range of support and information being provided to those entering the city and their sponsors, initially via the welcome point at Leeds Bradford Airport, but with the Reginald Centre being used as a base for such services;
- an update in respect of the number of visas which had been issued by the Home Office to date;
- the work of the cross-Council strategic partnership working group, and the role of the Council across the city, regionally and in liaison with Government;
- the progress being made by the Leeds Together for Ukraine Appeal.

The Board considered the national position with regard to entry requirements for Ukrainians into the UK, and in response to a Member's enquiry, the Board received further information regarding the arrangements in place to provide free transport for Ukrainians entering the UK to their point of destination.

Members welcomed the update provided, acknowledged the fluidity of the situation, emphasised the 'Team Leeds' approach that these actions embodied and thanked officers and partner organisations for the collaborative approach being taken to support those Ukrainians coming into Leeds and the region.

RESOLVED –

- (a) That the contents of the submitted update report, be noted; and that the approach being adopted within the Council's strategic, co-ordinated and inclusive approach towards migration for Leeds, be endorsed;
- (b) That it be noted that the Director of Communities, Housing and Environment is responsible for leading a collaborative, strategic citywide response;
- (c) That it be noted that the Chief Officer for Safer, Stronger Communities is responsible for leading the cross-Council approach towards providing strategic and operational direction for the city;

- (d) That the continued and evolving partnership response to the Ukrainian crisis, which will respond to further guidance and policy development, as it is received from Government, be supported.

ECONOMY, CULTURE AND EDUCATION

143 UK Shared Prosperity Fund

The Director of City Development submitted a report which provided an update on the UK Shared Prosperity Fund (UKSPF) based upon the pre-launch information issued by the Government in February 2022 alongside the Levelling Up White Paper. The report also presented contextual information relating to the European Structural and Investment Funds (ESIF) which the UKSPF was intended to replace, and set out the preparations which were now underway ahead of the formal launch of the UKSPF anticipated in late June / early July 2022.

Responding to Members' comments and enquiries, the Board received clarification on the overall levels of UK Shared Prosperity Funding which had been recently announced for West Yorkshire as a whole and for Leeds within that.

RESOLVED – That the contents of the submitted report, including the related processes regarding the UK Shared Prosperity Fund, as detailed, be noted.

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June	July	August
Meeting Agenda for 8th June 2022 at 10 am	Meeting Agenda for 6th July 2022 at 10 am	No Scrutiny Board meeting
Co-opted Members (DB) Scrutiny Board Terms of Reference (DB) Scrutiny Inquiry into Exclusions, Elective Home Education and Off-rolling – Statement of Progress (PSR) Potential Sources of Work (DB) Performance Update (PM)		
Working Group Meetings		
Site Visits		

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September	October	November
Meeting Agenda for 7th September 2022 at 10 am	Meeting Agenda for 12th October 2022 at 10 am	Meeting Agenda for 30th November 2022 at 10 am
Leeds Child Poverty Strategy – Update (PSR)	Youth Justice Plan 2021–24 – Update (PSR)	Leeds SEND and Inclusion Strategy 2021 to 2026 – Update (PSR) Leeds 3As Plan 2021-2023 - Update (PSR) Tackling the long-term impacts of covid-19 on children and families – tracking of scrutiny recommendations (RT)
Working Group Meetings		

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December	January	February
No Scrutiny Board meeting.	Meeting Agenda for 25th January 2023 at 10 am	Meeting Agenda for 15th February 2023 at 10 am
	Performance report (PM) Financial Health Monitoring (PSR) 2023/24 Initial Budget Proposals (PDS) Best City Ambition – Update (PDS)	Future in Mind Strategy – Update (PSR) Annual report of the Leeds Standing Advisory Council on Religious Education (PSR)
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March	April	May
Meeting Agenda for 29th March 2023	No Scrutiny Board meeting	No Scrutiny Board meeting
Youth Work Model – update (PSR)		
Working Group Meetings		
Site Visits		

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