



Report of the Head of Scrutiny and Member Development

Scrutiny Board (Children's Services)

Date: 7 May 2009

Subject: Scrutiny Inquiry – Attendance

Electoral Wards Affected:

Specific Implications For:

Equality and Diversity

Community Cohesion

Narrowing the Gap

1.0 INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 The Scrutiny Board agreed at the start of the municipal year that attendance was a key area on which it wished to undertake some work during the year, leading to the appointment of a small working group.
- 1.2 The purpose of the working group was to consider current performance and strategies in relation to school attendance, and to determine whether to recommend that the Board carries out any further work in the next municipal year.
- 1.3 The working group met with relevant officers on 21 April. A summary of the working group's discussion and conclusions will be circulated to Board Members in advance of the Board meeting.

2.0 RECOMMENDATION

- 2.1 The Board is asked to consider the working groups' conclusions.

Background papers

None