

**Scrutiny Board (Children's Services)
Work Programme 2009/10**

Item	Description	Notes	Type of item
Meeting date – 28 January 2010			
School performance and Ofsted Inspections	Annual report on school performance, Ofsted Inspections and schools causing concern	The Scrutiny Board agreed in 2006/07 to consider these reports to Executive Board	PM
Exam results	To receive a report on exam results for 2008/9		PM
Meadowfield Primary School	To agree the Board's Inquiry report		
Residential Care Home Inspections	To receive a briefing following a recent Ofsted judgement of inadequate at a residential care home	This report will be an exempt item (Timing subject to confirmation)	PM
Meeting date – 25 February 2010			
Population Growth	To receive additional evidence to complete the board's inquiry	The Board agreed in November 2009 that it required additional information in order to complete this inquiry	DP
Meeting date – 25 March 2010			
Performance Management	Quarter 3 information for 2009/10 (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 Includes tracking of progress against APA and JAR recommendations	The Board has agreed to monitor progress against one CYPP priority and one 'organisational' issue on a quarterly basis. This report will cover Sex and relationship education as part of the teenage conception priority, and new types of school – eg federations, academies and trusts	PM

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Recommendation Tracking	This item tracks progress with previous Scrutiny recommendations on a quarterly basis		MSR
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Item	Description	Notes	Type of item
Meeting date – 22 April 2010			
Annual Report	To agree the Board's contribution to the annual scrutiny report		
Scrutiny Board Inquiry Reports	To finalise the Board's inquiry reports		

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 from 2008/09	Current position	Meeting Dates
Safeguarding - Resources	Councillor Hyde Councillor Driver Councillor Gettings Councillor Selby Mr Britten Ms Foote Prof Gosden	To consider the adequacy of current children's social work resources to meet core child protection responsibilities	30 July 21 August 10 September 24 September 21 October 5 November 27 November 2 December
Safeguarding – Preventative Duty	Councillor Hyde Councillor Driver Councillor Gettings Councillor Lancaster Councillor Selby Mr Britten Ms Kayani Ms Morris-Boam	To consider the universal safeguarding duty and preventative work, particularly at a wedge level	30 July 7 October 16 October 6 November 2 December
14-19 review	Councillor Hyde Councillor Cleasby Councillor Driver Councillor Lancaster Mr Britten Professor Gosden	Inquiry carried over from 2008/09 – meeting with employers to be arranged	30 November

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School Organisation Consultations	Councillor Hyde Councillor Cleasby Councillor Renshaw Councillor Selby Mr Britten Ms Johnson Mrs Knights	Request for scrutiny from Councillors Ewens and Pryke	3 September 2009 26 October 2009
Attendance	Councillor Hyde Councillor Gettings Mr Britten Professor Gosden	The Board agreed in May 2009 that the working group should review progress before the end of the 2009 calendar year.	16 November 2009
Youth Service Surveys	Councillor Lancaster Councillor Renshaw Mr Britten Mrs Knights Ms Morris-Boam	The Board agreed in September 2009 to set up a working group to ensure that the plans for the next non-user survey for the youth service engages schools sufficiently	January 2010
Liaison with Leeds Youth Council	Councillor Lancaster Councillor Renshaw Mr Britten Mrs Knights	The Board agreed in September 2009 to re-establish this working group to liaise with the Leeds Youth Council over its involvement with the scrutiny process, and specifically to monitor the recommendations of the Young People's Scrutiny Forum report 'Protecting our Environment'	To meet after Youth Council elections in October