

**Manchester City Council
Report for Information**

Report to: Children and Young People Scrutiny Committee – 21 June 2016
Subject: Overview Report
Report of: Governance and Scrutiny Support Unit

Summary

This report provides the following information:

- Recommendations Monitor
- Key Decisions
- Items for information
- Work Programme

Recommendation

The Committee is invited to discuss the information provided and agree any changes to the work programme that are necessary.

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Ward Affected: All

Background Documents (available for public inspection):

None

1. Monitoring Previous Recommendations

This section of the report contains recommendations made by the Committee, responses to them, if they will be implemented, and if it will be, how this will be done.

Date	Item	Recommendation	Action	Contact Officer
1 September 2015	YPC/15/49 Child Sexual Exploitation	To request that the Director of Children's Services provide the CSE action plan, once populated with timescales, to members	A response to this recommendation has been requested and will be reported back to the Committee via the Overview report.	Paul Marshall, Director of Children's Services
29 September 2015	YPC/15/57 Post Ofsted Improvement Plan Update: Personal Education Plans (PEPs)	To request that the Virtual School Head for LAC investigate whether PEPs could be included in the forms used for Regulation 44 visits to children's homes	A response to this recommendation has been requested and will be reported back to the Committee via the Overview report.	Jane Johnson, Virtual School Head for Looked After Children
27 October 2015	YPC/15/63 Post Ofsted Improvement Plan Update – Fostering	To request that the Head of Service for Adoption and Fostering look into arranging ward-level meetings to build networks which will promote fostering and support ongoing work with LAC.	A response to this recommendation has been requested and will be reported back to the Committee via the Overview report.	Paul Dempsey, Head of Service Adoption and Fostering
24 November 2015	YPC/15/72 Big Manchester – Part 2	To request an update on the outcome of bids for further funding to continue this work.	A response to this recommendation has been requested and will be reported back to the Committee via the Overview report.	Deirdre Lewis, Barnardo's

<p>26 January 2016</p>	<p>YPC/16/03 Update on Manchester Safeguarding Children Board</p>	<p>To recommend closer links with Manchester Safeguarding Children Board (MSCB), including that the Chair of the Young People and Children Scrutiny Committee observe meetings of MSCB.</p>	<p>A response to this recommendation has been requested and will be reported back to the Committee via the Overview report.</p>	<p>David Ashcroft, Independent Chair of the MSCB</p>
<p>26 January 2016</p>	<p>YPC/16/09 Post Ofsted Improvement Plan Update - the Leaving Care Service</p>	<p>To request that the supported lodgings scheme be more widely publicised, that both supported lodgings and fostering be promoted through ward co-ordination meetings and that the Head of Adoption and Fostering circulate information on the supported lodgings scheme to Committee members via the Committee Support Officer</p>	<p>A response to this recommendation has been requested and will be reported back to the Committee via the Overview report.</p>	<p>Paul Dempsey, Head of Service Adoption and Fostering</p>
<p>23 February 2016</p>	<p>YPC/16/12 Joint Strategic Needs Assessment (JSNA) of Children and Young People in Manchester</p>	<p>To recommend that academies contribute financially to services such as the integrated Emotional Health in Schools Programme.</p>	<p>A response to this recommendation has been requested and will be reported back to the Committee via the Overview report.</p>	<p>John Edwards, Director of Education & Skills</p>

<p>23 February 2016</p>	<p>YPC/16/12 Joint Strategic Needs Assessment (JSNA) of Children and Young People in Manchester</p>	<p>To recommend that further consideration be given to promoting breastfeeding and a breastfeeding-friendly culture, including through signage in shops and advertising on billboards and to recommend that the role of Sure Start Centres, ward coordination and the voluntary sector in promoting breastfeeding be considered.</p>	<p>A response to this recommendation has been requested and will be reported back to the Committee via the Overview report.</p>	<p>David Regan, Director of Public Health</p>
<p>23 February 2016</p>	<p>YPC/16/12 Joint Strategic Needs Assessment (JSNA) of Children and Young People in Manchester</p>	<p>To recommend that the Council should identify primary schools which were not offering fluoridated milk and fluoride varnish applications and the reasons for this and consider how this could be improved.</p>	<p>A response to this recommendation has been requested and will be reported back to the Committee via the Overview report.</p>	<p>David Regan, Director of Public Health</p>
<p>23 February 2016</p>	<p>YPC/16/12 Joint Strategic Needs Assessment (JSNA) of Children and Young People in Manchester</p>	<p>To recommend that fluoridation of drinking water be considered to improve children's oral health</p>	<p>A response to this recommendation has been requested and will be reported back to the Committee via the Overview report.</p>	<p>David Regan, Director of Public Health</p>

23 February 2016	YPC/16/13 Post Ofsted Improvement Plan Update: Briefing on Ofsted Additional Monitoring Visit in January	To request that the letter from Ofsted following this visit be circulated to members of the Committee.	This letter was circulated to members by e- mail on 4 March 2016.	Rachel McKeon, Scrutiny Support Officer
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2. Key Decisions

The Council is required to publish details of key decisions that will be taken at least 28 days before the decision is due to be taken. Details of key decisions that are due to be taken are published on a monthly basis in the Register of Key Decisions.

A key decision, as defined in the Council's Constitution is an executive decision, which is likely:

- To result in the Council incurring expenditure which is, or the making of savings which are, significant having regard to the Council's budget for the service or function to which the decision relates, or
- To be significant in terms of its effects on communities living or working in an area comprising two or more wards in the area of the city.

The Council Constitution defines 'significant' as being expenditure or savings (including the loss of income or capital receipts) in excess of £500k, providing that is not more than 10% of the gross operating expenditure for any budget heading in the in the Council's Revenue Budget Book, and subject to other defined exceptions.

An extract of the most recent Register of Key Decisions, published on **1 June 2016** containing details of the decisions under the Committee's remit is included below. This is to keep members informed of what decisions are being taken and, where appropriate, include in the work programme of the Committee.

Register of Key Decisions:

Decision title	What is the decision?	Decision maker	Planned date of decision	Documents that will be considered	Contact officer details
Capital Investment in schools Ref: 20160201D	The approval of capital expenditure	City Treasurer	May 2016 or later	Gateway 5 procurement document	John Edwards Director of Education & Skills 0161 234 4314
Future of Youth and Play Commissioning Ref: 15/030	Agree to support the development of an independent Youth and Play Trust for Manchester, with the City Council as a member, through which the Local Authority would be able to commission neighborhood based youth and play services	The Executive	May 2016 or later	Report and recommendations	Elaine Morrison Head of Youth Strategy e.morrison@manchester.gov.uk 0161 234 1984
Framework Agreement for the Supply of Alternative Education Places to Manchester Secondary Pupil	The appointment of education providers to a framework agreement to deliver Alternative Education Places to Manchester Secondary Pupil Referral Unit following a tender	The Director of Education and Skills	May 2016 or later	Report and Recommendation	Samantha Wilson Procurement Officer samantha.wilson@manchester.gov.uk 0161 234 4368

Decision title	What is the decision?	Decision maker	Planned date of decision	Documents that will be considered	Contact officer details
Referral Unit Ref: 16/0106	exercise				
Manchester Youth and Play Trust – Seed Fund Ref: 16/04/26B	To support the initial setup and business development of Manchester’s new Youth and Play Trust in its first year, by granting the charity a level of ‘seed funding’	The Executive	June 2016 onwards	Report and Recommendations	John Edwards Director of Education and Skills 0161 234 4314 j.edwards@manchester.gov.uk
Free Travel Ref: 16/05/03A	To approve the free travel policy for the 2016/17 academic year	The Executive	June 2016 or later	Report and recommendations	John Edwards Director of Education and Skills 0161 234 4314 j.edwards@manchester.gov.uk

Decision title	What is the decision?	Decision maker	Planned date of decision	Documents that will be considered	Contact officer details
Looked After Children Investment Fund 16/03/16B	To approve the continued draw down from the Looked After Children Investment Fund as required throughout 2016/17	Chief Executive in consultation with the City Treasurer	Before 31 st March 2017	Not Applicable	Paul Marshall Strategic Director of Children's Services paul.marshall@manchester.gov.uk 0161 234 3804 Simon Finch Head of Finance – Children, Adults and Public Health 0161 234 5016 s.finch@manchester.gov.uk

**Children and Young People Scrutiny Committee
Work Programme – 21 June 2016**

Tuesday 21 June 2016 (at 10am) (Report deadline Thursday 9 June 2016)				
Item	Purpose	Executive Member	Strategic Director/ Lead Officer	Comments
Home Education	To receive a report on home education. This report will contain information on - the numbers of children who are home educated. - reasons why parents / guardians choose to home educate.	Councillor S Newman	John Edwards	
Early Years Provision	To receive a report on early years provision including the role of schools and the PVI sector and rates of pay for childminders	Councillor S Newman	John Edwards	
School Holidays	To receive a report on the different holiday dates for Manchester schools. This report will provide information on the legislation and guidance issued to schools regarding school holidays.	Councillor S Newman	John Edwards	
Multi-systemic therapy (MST), Multi-treatment Foster Care and Social Impact Bonds	To receive an update to include case studies which demonstrate the voice of families and young people	Councillor S Newman	Paul Marshall	See December 2015 minutes
Post Ofsted Improvement Plan Update: Signs of Safety	To receive an update on the Post Ofsted Improvement Plan. The focus for this meeting to be an update on Signs of Safety	Councillor S Newman	Paul Marshall	
Overview Report	The monthly report includes the recommendations monitor, relevant key decisions, the Committee's work programme and any items for information	-	Rachel McKeon	

Tuesday 19 July 2016 (at 10am) (Report deadline Thursday 7 July 2016)				
Item	Purpose	Executive Member	Strategic Director/ Lead Officer	Comments
Residential Review	To receive a report on the review of residential services	Councillor S Newman	Paul Marshall/ Paul Dempsey	
Special Educational Needs and Disability (SEND)	To report on some proposed changes to SEN provision across the city following consultation.	Councillor S Newman	John Edwards/ Amanda Corcoran	
Local Government Association peer review of services for looked after children	To receive a report and presentation that provides feedback from the LGA peer review of services for looked after children.	Councillor S Newman	Paul Marshall	
Planning for Permanence	To receive a report on Permanence Planning for children. This report to summarise the annual adoption and fostering reports, progress and impact.	Councillor S Newman	Paul Marshall	
Post Ofsted Improvement Plan Update: Early Help	To receive a summary of the recent review, developments, progress and impact of the Early Help Service.	Councillor S Newman	Paul Marshall	
Overview Report		-	Rachel McKeon	

Tuesday 6 September 2016 (at 10am) (Report deadline Wednesday 24 August 2016)				
Item	Purpose	Executive Member	Strategic Director/ Lead Officer	Comments
Pupil Referral Units (PRU's)	The Committee requests a breakdown of exclusions across schools to be included in the next Exclusion	Councillor S Newman	John Edwards	See minute ref: YPC/14/70

	Update. To include information on alternative provision available.			
Acadamisation of schools	To receive a report that describes the implications for the LA from the governments white paper and the LA position on academisation This report will also provide information on the Manchester Schools Alliance.	Councillor S Newman	John Edwards	
Annual IRO REPORT	To outline to members to work and impact of IRO service setting out trends, patterns of practice, engagement of young people in their care plans and impact of the service.	Councillor S Newman	Paul Marshall	
Raising Standards of Practice	To receive a report that sets of progress in relation to recruitment, retention and raising of social work practice. The report will also provides data from audits and key performance indicators since the QA framework was launched in March 2016. .	Councillor S Newman	Paul Marshall	
Improving outcomes for care leavers	To receive a report that describes services offered, progress and activity to improve the outcomes for care leavers.	Councillor S Newman	Paul Marshall	
Overview Report		-	Rachel McKeon	

Tuesday 11 October 2016 (at 10am) (Report deadline Thursday 29 September 2016)				
Item	Purpose	Executive Member	Strategic Director/ Lead Officer	Comments
Children and young people's mental health	To receive a report on Child Adolescent Mental Health Services (CAMHS). This report will also include information on mental	Councillor Andrews Councillor	David Regan	Invitation to Chair of Health Scrutiny Committee

	health in schools and provide examples of good practice	S Newman		
Youth Justice Plan	To receive a report on the progress and impact of the Youth Justice Plan.	Councillor S Newman	Paul Marshall	Invitation to Chair of Communities and Equalities Scrutiny Committee
School Places	To receive a report on the spending plan for basic needs for 2018/19.	Councillor S Newman	John Edwards	
Update on attainment and attendance	Report on outcomes from KS 2 tests and GCSE outcomes.			
The Children's Plan / Partnership Working	To receive a report on The Children's Plan	Councillor S Newman	Paul Marshall	
Overview Report		-	Rachel McKeon	

Tuesday 8 November 2016 (at 10am) (Report deadline Thursday 27 October 2016)				
Item	Purpose	Executive Member	Strategic Director/ Lead Officer	Comments
Complex Safeguarding	To receive a report on Complex Safeguarding. This report will include information Child Sexual Exploitation, the Prevent Agenda, trafficking, modern slavery and gangs. This report will also discuss the issue of Missing Children.	Councillor S Newman	Paul Marshall	Invitation to Chair of Communities and Equalities Scrutiny Committee
Greater Manchester approach to Children's Services	To receive a presentation on the approach taken at a Greater Manchester level to Children's Services. This item will include information on Alan Wood's review of Local Safeguarding Children Boards.	Councillor S Newman	Paul Marshall	
Overview Report		-	Rachel McKeon	

Tuesday 6 December 2016 (at 10am) (Report deadline Thursday 24 November 2016)				
Item	Purpose	Executive Member	Strategic Director/ Lead Officer	Comments
Participation and Engagement Strategy	To receive a report on the Participation and Engagement Strategy. This report will include information on Children's rights service.	Councillor S Newman	Paul Marshall	Invitation to the Youth Council
Overview Report		-	Rachel McKeon	

Items To be Scheduled				
Item	Purpose	Executive Member	Strategic Director/ Lead Officer	Comments
Attainment and Attendance	To receive regular reports regarding Attainment and Attendance.	Councillor S Newman	John Edwards/ Karen Jarmany	
Early Years	To receive a quarterly update. To include consideration of the role of Health Visitors.	Councillor S Newman	John Edwards/ Karen	See minute ref:YPC/14/58 and YPC/15/61

			Jarmany	To invite Chair of Health Scrutiny Committee
European Youth Capital	To receive a report from Manchester Youth Council on the European Youth Capital	Councillor S Newman Councillor S Murphy	John Edwards/ Elaine Morrison	
Looked After Children (LAC) Investment Plan budget	To receive a quarterly update	Councillor S Newman Councillor Flanagan	Paul Marshall /Simon Finch	Invite Finance Scrutiny Chair
Looked After Children (LAC) and Corporate Parenting	To receive an update on recent developments in respect of LAC and corporate parenting. To receive information on the Corporate Parenting Panel. To include the future role/best use of existing children's homes including best practice within other local authorities and models such as pedagogy.	Councillor S Newman	Paul Marshall / Amanda Amesbury/ Linda Evans	
Manchester Adoption Service	To receive the Annual Adoption Report.	Councillor S Newman	Paul Marshall /Amanda Amesbury/ Linda Evans/ Joanna Waterhouse	See minute ref: YPC/13/53
Manchester Safeguarding Children's Board (MSCB)	To receive the Annual Report from the MSCB.	Councillor S Newman	Paul Marshall / David Ashcroft (Chair)	See minute ref: YPC/13/50 TBA- Health and Wellbeing Board to receive final report September 2015
Post Ofsted Improvement Plan Update	Regular reports provided by the Strategic Director for Children's Services detailing action taken as part of the Ofsted Improvement Plan. An update is currently	Councillor S Newman	Paul Marshall /Amanda Amesbury/	Missing from Home –TBC

	received at each meeting. Updates will be aligned to themes within the Improvement Plan. Future content of reports will include: Early Help, Corporate Parenting and LAC, Safeguarding, Fostering and Adoption, Quality of Practice and Missing from Home.		Linda Evans	
Review of Leaving Care Services and Options Appraisal	To receive a report on the review of Leaving Care Services and the options appraisal	Councillor S Newman	Paul Marshall	Executive item
Safeguarding	Regular reports provided by the Strategic Director for Children's Services, three a year. Future content to include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Working together • Sex education in schools, safeguarding risks of access to internet porn, internet bullying • Feedback of action from lifestyle choices 	Councillor S Newman	Paul Marshall /Amanda Amesbury/ Linda Evans	
School Crossing Patrols	To receive a report on School Crossing Patrols	Councillor S Newman	John Edwards	July 2016 – TBC
School Improvement	To receive a report on how schools can achieve success through the schools workforce. To include information on the recruitment and retention of quality and qualified teaching staff in both the primary and secondary sectors.	Councillor S Newman	John Edwards	Invite Head Teachers
School Places	To receive a future report on the sufficiency of school places	Councillor S Newman	John Edwards	
Sport and Active Lifestyles	To receive a report on the proposed strategy to engage with partners and parents to promote sport and active lifestyles. To include information on how success can be measured in Secondary and Post 16 providers.	Councillor S Newman	John Edwards/ David Regan/Lee Preston/Neil Fairlamb	Invite Chair of Neighbourhoods Scrutiny See December 2015 minutes

Young Carers	To receive a further update on the services and support available for young carers in Manchester at an appropriate time	Councillor S Newman	Paul Marshall	See minute ref YPC/14/04
Youth and Play Trust	To review progress, including information on the transition arrangements for the hubs To receive an update on the response to the recommendations of the Youth and Play Task and Finish Group	Councillor S Newman	John Edwards	See December 2015 and February 2016 minutes
Annual Fostering Report	To receive the Annual Fostering report. This item will include information on private fostering.	Councillor S Newman	Paul Marshall	

NB Several requests for additions to the work programme are pending as they overlap with the remit of another scrutiny committee- topics include Complex Dependency and British and Minority Ethnic (BME) Children in schools. These will be discussed at the Work Programming session.