

**Manchester City Council
Report for Information**

Report to: Children and Young People Scrutiny Committee – 6 September 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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Wards 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	This was circulated to members by e-mail on 9 August 2016.	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 was circulated to members by email on 18 July 2016.	Deirdre Lewis, Barnardo's

26 January 2016	YPC/16/03 Update on Manchester Safeguarding Children Board	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.	There was a change of MSCB chair in July 2016. A meeting is scheduled to take place with the chair of the Children and Young People Scrutiny Committee in September and an invitation has been extended to the Chair to attend the MSCB in October 2016.	Julia Stephens Row, Independent Chair of the MSCB
26 January 2016	YPC/16/09 Post Ofsted Improvement Plan Update - the Leaving Care Service	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.	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
23 February 2016	YPC/16/12 Joint Strategic Needs Assessment (JSNA) of Children and Young People in Manchester	To recommend that academies contribute financially to services such as the integrated Emotional Health in Schools Programme.	A response to this recommendation has been requested and will be reported back to the Committee via the Overview report.	John Edwards, Director of Education & Skills
24 May	CYP/16/02	To request that a glossary of	The Scrutiny Support Officer is liaising with the	Rachel

2016	Manchester Safeguarding Board (MSCB) Progress Report	children's services terminology be provided to members.	Chair on how to take forward this recommendation.	McKeon, Scrutiny Support Officer
24 May 2016	CYP/16/02 Manchester Safeguarding Board (MSCB) Progress Report	To request that the Committee be informed about future training events.	A response to this recommendation will be reported back to the Committee via the Overview report.	Julia Stephens Row, Independent Chair of the MSCB
21 June 2016	CYP/16/07 Minute's Silence	That a letter be sent on behalf of the Committee to Alistair Cox to express condolences for his family's loss.	This recommendation has been completed.	Rachel McKeon, Scrutiny Support Officer
21 June 2016	CYP/16/12 An Update Relating to Multi-systemic Therapy (MST) and Treatment Foster Care – Oregon (TFC-O)	To request that the Strategic Director of Children's Services consider the use of Social Impact Bonds (SIB) to fund Multi-Systemic Therapy (MST).	It is not ideal to use a SIB with a programme that is successful - we would effectively be being paying some of our savings to a third party (the investor) to oversee something that was doing what it needs to do anyway. The idea of a SIB is to make use of the approach when we are doing something with a risk that it might not work and therefore sharing the risk with a social investor. Notwithstanding this officers will be reviewing the MST programme in October 2016 and will consider a 'Social Impact Bond' as a possible option for taking the programme beyond its current agreed end	Paul Marshall, Strategic Director of Children's Services

			date of 31 March 2017.	
19 July 2016	CYP/16/23 Post Ofsted Improvement Plan Update: Early Help	To recognise the importance of secondary schools engaging with Early Help and to ask the Director of Education and Skills to raise this with secondary school headteachers.	A response to this recommendation has been requested and will be reported back to the Committee via the Overview report	John Edwards, Director of Education and Skills
19 July 2016	CYP/16/23 Post Ofsted Improvement Plan Update: Early Help	To request that information on any resistance from individual schools be circulated to members and to request that schools which are positively engaging with Early Help be promoted as an example to others.	A response to this recommendation has been requested and will be reported back to the Committee via the Overview report.	Julie Heslop, Strategic Head of Early Help
19 July 2016	CYP/16/25 Overview Report	To request that all councillors receive training on the Prevent agenda, including both the duties within the strategy and the practicalities of its implementation.	A response to this recommendation has been requested and will be reported back to the Committee via the Overview report.	Rachel McKeon, Scrutiny Support Officer

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 **10 August 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: 2016/02/01D	The approval of capital expenditure	City Treasurer	August 2016 or later	Gateway 5 procurement document	John Edwards Director of Education and 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	The Executive	September 2016 or later	Report and recommendations	Elaine Morrison Head of Youth Strategy e.morrison@manchester.gov.uk 0161 234 1984

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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	September 2016 onwards	Report and Recommendations	John Edwards Director of Education and Skills 0161 234 4314 j.edwards@manchester.gov.uk
Free Travel Ref: 2016/05/03A	To approve the free travel policy for the 2016/17 academic year	The Executive	September 2016 or later	Report and recommendations	John Edwards Director of Education and Skills 0161 234 4314 j.edwards@manchester.gov.uk
Re Organisation of SEN provision Ref: 2016/06/28	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Agree to making a prescribed alteration to Broad Oak primary to designate the school as resourced mainstream provision. • Agree to a prescribed 	The Executive	September 2016 or later	Paper outlining proposals. Outcomes of consultation process.	Amanda Corcoran Head of Education strategy, Access and Inclusion

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	<p>alteration to Rodney House school to change designated age range and number of places.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Agree to proposed changes to Sensory Services following consultation. <p>Agree to begin consultation on the closure of Buglawton Hall residential special school.</p>				
<p>Looked After Children Investment Fund</p> <p>2016/03/16B</p>	<p>To approve the continued draw down from the Looked After Children Investment Fund as required throughout 2016/17</p>	<p>Chief Executive in consultation with the City Treasurer</p>	<p>Before 31st March 2017</p>	<p>Not Applicable</p>	<p>Paul Marshall Strategic Director of Children's Services paul.marshall@manchester.gov.uk 0161 234 3804</p> <p>Rachel Rosewell Head of Finance – Children, Adults and Public Health 0161 234 1070 r.rosewell@manchester.gov.uk</p>

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<p>Review of Children's Residential Services</p> <p>Ref: 2016/06/27A</p>	<p>Consult on the closure of Acorns and Seymour Residential Homes.</p> <p>Consult on converting the MET children's home to an Adolescent Support Unit and relocate.</p> <p>Following those consultations, decisions are delegated to the Strategic Director of Children's Services in consultation with lead member.</p>	<p>The Executive</p>	<p>September 2016 or later</p>	<p>Report and recommendation</p>	<p>Paul Dempsey Head of Service. p.dempsey@manchester.gov.uk Tel 0161 234 1765</p>

**Children and Young People Scrutiny Committee
Work Programme – 6 September 2016**

Tuesday 6 September 2016 (Report deadline Wednesday 24 August 2016)				
Item	Purpose	Executive Member	Strategic Director/ Lead Officer	Comments
Academisation of schools	To receive a report that describes the implications for the local authority from the government's white paper and the local authority's position on academisation. This report will also provide information on the Manchester Schools Alliance.	Councillor S Newman	John Edwards	
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	
Annual Independent Reviewing Officer (IRO) Report	To outline to members the work and impact of the IRO service, setting out trends, patterns of practice, engagement of young people in their care plans and the impact of the service.	Councillor S Newman	Paul Marshall	
Raising Standards of Practice	To receive a report that sets out progress in relation to recruitment, retention and raising of standards of social work practice. The report will also provide data from audits and key performance indicators since the quality assurance 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	The monthly report includes the recommendations monitor, relevant key decisions, the Committee's work programme and any items for information	-	Rachel McKeon	

Tuesday 11 October 2016 (Report deadline Thursday 29 September 2016)				
Item	Purpose	Executive Member	Strategic Director/ Lead Officer	Comments
Single Service Plan	To receive a report on the single service plan.	Councillor S Newman	Paul Marshall	
Special Educational Needs and Disability (SEND)	To receive a report on proposed changes to SEND provision across the city following consultation.	Councillor S Newman	John Edwards/ Amanda Corcoran	TBC Executive report
Children and young people's mental health	To receive a report on Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services (CAMHS). This report will also include information on mental health in schools and provide examples of good practice.	Councillor Andrews Councillor S Newman	David Regan	Invitation to Chair of Health Scrutiny Committee
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 Key Stage 2 tests and GCSE outcomes.	Councillor S Newman	John Edwards	
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 (Report deadline Thursday 27 October 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 Update. To include information on alternative provision available.	Councillor S Newman	John Edwards	See minute ref: YPC/14/70
Complex Safeguarding	To receive a report on Complex Safeguarding. This report will include information on Child Sexual Exploitation (CSE), the Prevent Agenda, trafficking, modern slavery and gangs and safeguarding issues relating to Elective Home Education (EHE) and Children Missing from Education (CME). 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	
North Manchester	To receive a report on issues which affect the well-being of children and young people in north Manchester including health and housing issues.	Councillor S Newman Councillor Andrews Councillor Priest	Paul Marshall David Regan Hazel Summers Paul Beardmore	See February 2016 minutes Invitation to Chair of Health Scrutiny Committee, Chair of Neighbourhoods and Environment Scrutiny Committee and ward councillors
Overview Report		-	Rachel McKeon	

Tuesday 6 December 2016 (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 Jarmany	See minute ref: YPC/14/58 and YPC/15/61 Invite Chair of Health Scrutiny

				Committee
Looked After Children (LAC) Investment Plan budget	To receive a quarterly update.	Councillor S Newman Councillor Flanagan	Paul Marshall /Simon Finch	Invite Resources and Governance 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 of practice.	Councillor S Newman	Paul Marshall / Amanda Amesbury/ Linda Evans	
Manchester Safeguarding Children Board (MSCB)	To receive the MSCB's Annual Report and the report on the peer review of the MSCB.	Councillor S Newman	Paul Marshall / Independent Chair of MSCB	See May 2016 minutes
Multi-systemic Therapy (MST) and Treatment Foster Care – Oregon (TFC-O)	To receive a report to include case studies and evidence from longitudinal studies, including international evidence, and to further consider the impact of Multi-Systemic Therapy on school attendance.	Councillor S Newman	Paul Marshall	See June 2016 minutes
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 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.	Councillor S Newman	Paul Marshall /Amanda Amesbury/ 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 Calendar	To receive a report on progress to better align school calendars for 2018/2019.	Councillor S Newman	John Edwards	See June 2016 minutes
School Crossing Patrols	To receive a report on School Crossing Patrols.	Councillor S Newman	John Edwards	
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
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 Councillor Rahman	John Edwards/ David Regan/Lee Preston/Neil Fairlamb	Invite Chair of Communities and Equalities Scrutiny Committee 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 Councillor Rahman	John Edwards	See December 2015 and February 2016 minutes
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