

**Manchester City Council
Report for Information**

Report to: Children and Young People Scrutiny Committee – 28 February 2017

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
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
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	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

		to Committee members via the Committee Support Officer.		
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
6 September 2016	CYP/16/27 Academisation of Schools	To recommend that the Manchester Schools' Alliance be promoted to encourage schools to become full members.	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
6 December 2016	CYP/16/52 Children's and Young People's Mental Health	To request that the Executive Nurse (Craig Harris) provide further information on the number of schools participating in the Healthy Schools Programme, including academies.	A response to this recommendation has been requested and will be reported back to the Committee via the Overview report.	Craig Harrison, Executive Nurse/ John Edwards, Director of Education and Skills

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 **8 February 2017** 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	February 2017 or later	Gateway 5 procurement document	John Edwards Director of Education and Skills Tel: 0161 234 4314 j.edwards@manchester.gov.uk

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Children and Families Software System Ref: 2016/11/25C	To seek approval to award a contract to a single supplier for the provision of a Children and Families Software System	City Treasurer/Chief Executive	February 2017 or later	Confidential contract report with recommendation	Bob Brown CIO Information, Communication and Technology Tel: 0161 234 5998 bob.brown@manchester.gov.uk Michael Shields Procurement Manager Tel: 0161 234 1009 m.shields@manchester.gov.uk
Organisation of SEN provision Ref: 2016/06/28	Agree to a prescribed alteration to Rodney House school to change designated age range and number of places. Agree to proposed changes to Sensory Services following consultation. Agree to begin consultation on the closure of Buglawton Hall residential special school.	The Executive	February 2017 or later	Report outlining proposals. Outcomes of consultation process.	Amanda Corcoran Head of Education Strategy, Access and Inclusion Tel: 0161 234 1866 a.corcoran@manchester.gov.uk
Looked After Children Investment Fund	To approve the continued draw down from the Looked After	Chief Executive in consultation with the City Treasurer	Before 31 March 2017	Not Applicable	Paul Marshall Strategic Director of Children's Services Tel: 0161 234 3804

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Ref: 2016/03/16B	Children Investment Fund as required throughout 2016/17.				paul.marshall@manchester.gov.uk Simon Finch Head of Finance Children and Families Tel: 0161 234 5016 s.finch@manchester.gov.uk
Review of Children's Residential Services Ref: 2016/06/27A	Consult on the closure of Acorns and Seymour Residential Homes. Consult on converting the MET children's home to an Adolescent Support Unit and relocate. Following those consultations, decisions are delegated to the Strategic Director of Children's Services in consultation with lead member.	Strategic Director of Children's Services	February 2017 or later	Report and recommendation	Paul Dempsey Head of Service Tel: 0161 234 1765 p.dempsey@manchester.gov.uk
Regional Adoption	It is resolved for Manchester City	The Executive	March 2017	Report and recommendation	Paul Marshall Strategic Director of Children's

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<p>Agency</p> <p>Ref: 2017/02/01B</p>	<p>Council to be a member of Adoption Counts Regional Adoption Agency.</p>				<p>Services Tel: 0161 234 3804 paul.marshall@manchester.gov.uk</p>
<p>Proposal to make changes to commissioning of Lancasterian Sensory Services and reduce budget by £275,501</p> <p>Ref:2017/02/08A</p>	<p>Executive to agree that the Council make proposed changes to the commissioning of Lancasterian Sensory Service following consultation. This includes a reduction in £3.1 million budget of £275,510,</p>	<p>The Executive</p>	<p>March 2017</p>	<p>Report and recommendation</p>	<p>John Edwards Director of Education and Skills Tel: 0161 234 4314 j.edwards@manchester.gov.uk</p>

**Children and Young People Scrutiny Committee
Work Programme – 28 February 2017**

Tuesday 28 February 2017, 10.00am (Report deadline Thursday 16 February 2017)				
Item	Purpose	Executive Member	Strategic Director/ Lead Officer	Comments
Special Educational Needs and Disability (SEND) – Sensory Support Service	To receive a report on proposed changes to the sensory support service across the city following consultation.	Councillor S Newman	John Edwards/ Amanda Corcoran	Executive Report
Special Educational Needs and Disability (SEND) – Buglawton Hall	To receive a report on the proposal to commence consultation on the closure of Buglawton Hall Residential Special School	Councillor S Newman	John Edwards/ Amanda Corcoran	Executive Report
Attainment and attendance	To receive further information on attainment at Early Years, Key Stage 2 and Key Stage 4.	Councillor S Newman	John Edwards	
Early Years New Delivery Model	To receive an 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
Post Ofsted Improvement Plan Update	To receive a presentation which provides an update on children missing from home, missing from care and missing from education.	Councillor S Newman	Paul Marshall/ John Edwards/ Julie Helsop/ Amanda Corcoran	

Overview Report	The monthly report includes the recommendations monitor, relevant key decisions, the Committee's work programme and any items for information	-	Rachel McKeon	
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Tuesday 23 May 2017, 2.00pm (Report deadline Thursday 11 May 2017)				
Item	Purpose	Executive Member	Strategic Director/ Lead Officer	Comments
Delivering the Our Manchester Strategy	This report provides an overview of work undertaken and progress towards the delivery of the Council's priorities as set out in the Our Manchester Strategy for those areas within the portfolio of the Executive Member for Children's Services.	-	Councillor S Newman	
Post Ofsted Improvement Plan Update: Ofsted's Monitoring Visit of the Local Authority	To receive a report on Ofsted's Monitoring Visit of the Local Authority in March 2017.	Councillor S Newman	Paul Marshall/Vince Clark	
Regional Adoption Agency	To receive a report on the proposal that the Council become a member of the Regional Adoption Agency.	Councillor S Newman	Paul Marshall/ Amanda Amesbury/ Paul Dempsey	To be confirmed Executive Report
Ofsted Subgroup- to re-establish	The report seeks the Committee's approval to re-establish the Ofsted Subgroup for the 2017/18 municipal year.	Councillor S Newman	Rachel McKeon	
Overview Report	-	-	Rachel McKeon	
Annual Work Programming Session	The meeting will close for the annual work programming session where members determine the work programme for the forthcoming year. To follow presentations from Directors on upcoming issues and challenges within the Committee's remit.	Councillor S Newman Councillor Rahman	Paul Marshall /John Edwards/ 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	
Children and Young People's Mental Health	To receive a further report at an appropriate time, to include examples of the improvements the transformation work has made at the individual child level.	Councillor Andrews Councillor S Newman	David Regan/Paul Marshall/ Jock Rodger/ Clinical Commissioning Group	See December 2016 minutes Invitation to members of Health Scrutiny Committee
Children and Young People's Plan	To receive a further report at an appropriate time, to include a 'plan on a page'.	Councillor S Newman	Paul Marshall	See October 2016 minutes
Early Years	To receive a quarterly update.	Councillor S Newman	John Edwards/ Karen Jarmany	
Ethical Procurement	To receive a report in response to the following recommendation from the Resources and Governance Scrutiny Committee's Ethical Procurement Task and Finish Group: To recommend that the relevant scrutiny committees are informed and invited to comment on the differing contract management processes for their respective remits and invited to accompany officers on monitoring visits where appropriate/as required. (To be fully scoped.)	Councillor Flanagan	Ian Brown	Invite Chair of Resources and Governance Scrutiny Committee

Improving Outcomes for Care Leavers	<p>To receive a further report at an appropriate time to include</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - further information on the steering group established to co-ordinate and improve support for care leavers in custody, including case studies - information on how the embedding of social value into corporate procurement could be used to support LAC and care leavers - research data on the educational outcomes for LAC and care leavers, in comparison to children who remain with their families - information on the support the Council provides to LAC and care leavers who are parents, in comparison with the support provided by other local authorities 	Councillor S Newman	Paul Marshall/Paul Dempsey	See September 2016 minutes
Independent Reviewing Officer Annual Report 2016 – 2017	To receive the Independent Reviewing Officer Annual Report 2016 – 2017	Councillor S Newman	Paul Marshall	September 2017 - TBC
Locality Plan	To receive a report on the Locality Plan as it relates to services for children and young people, including Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services.	Councillor S Newman Councillor Andrews	Paul Marshall/ Lorraine Butcher	See November 2016 minutes 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	
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
Planning for Permanence/ Sufficiency Planning	To receive an update at an appropriate time.	Councillor S Newman	Paul Marshall/Paul Dempsey	See September 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	
Protect Team	To receive a report on the review of the Protect Team.	Councillor S Newman	Paul Marshall	See November 2016 minutes
Raising Standards of Practice in Children's Social Care	To receive an update report.	Councillor S Newman	Paul Marshall	February 2017 - TBC See September 2016 minutes
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	Councillor	Paul Marshall	

	<p>Children's Services, three a year. Future content to include:</p> <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 	S Newman	/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 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 for Children and Young People	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