
**Manchester City Council
Report for Information**

Report to: Children and Young People Scrutiny Committee – 20 June 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	This recommendation has been referred to the Corporate Parenting Panel.	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 will be incorporated into the Planning for Permanence/Sufficiency Planning report which is due to be considered at the Committee's July meeting.	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 will be incorporated into the Improving Outcomes for Care Leavers report which is due to be considered at the Committee's June meeting.	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.	This has been raised and discussed at High School Heads meetings.	Amanda Corcoran, Interim Director of Education
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 will be incorporated into a future report on Early Help.	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.	Amanda Corcoran, Interim Director of Education
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.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * 162 of 175 (92.5%) schools are currently engaged with the Healthy Schools Programme. * 92% of primary schools are engaged in the programme. * 92% of secondary schools are engaged in the programme. * 93% of special schools are engaged in the 	Craig Harrison, Executive Nurse/ Amanda Corcoran, Interim Director of

			programme.	Education
31 January 2017	CYP/17/11 Post Ofsted Improvement Plan Update: Ofsted's Monitoring Visit of the Local Authority	To request that the Committee visit Alonzi House once it is registered with Ofsted to provide overnight respite care.	This visit is being arranged for 4 July and full details will be circulated to members shortly.	Rachel McKeon, Scrutiny Support Officer
31 January 2017	CYP/17/13 Greater Manchester Review of Children's Services	To request that a visit be arranged for Committee members to the Barton Moss Secure Care Centre.	A response to this recommendation has been requested.	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 **9 June 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	June 2017 or later	Gateway 5 (procurement document)	Amanda Corcoran Interim Director of Education and Skills Tel: 0161 234 4314 a.corcoran@manchester.gov.uk
School Crossings Ref: 2017/05/02/A	The approval of capital expenditure for the purpose of the introduction of controlled school crossings.	City Treasurer	June 2017 or later	Capital expenditure approval reports	Kevin Gillham 0161 234 5148 k.gillham@manchester.gov.uk
Organisation of Special Educational Needs 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.	The Executive	June 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

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 Ref: 2016/03/16B	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	June 2017 or later	Not Applicable	Paul Marshall Strategic Director of Children's Services Tel: 0161 234 3804 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	Strategic Director of Children's Services	June 2017 or later	Report and recommendation	Paul Dempsey Head of Service Tel: 0161 234 1765 p.dempsey@manchester.gov.uk

Decision title	What is the decision?	Decision maker	Planned date of decision	Documents that will be considered	Contact officer details
	in consultation with lead member.				
Regional Adoption Agency Ref: 2017/02/01B	It is resolved for Manchester City Council to be a member of Adoption Counts Regional Adoption Agency.	The Executive	June 2017	Report and recommendation	Paul Marshall Strategic Director of Children's Services Tel: 0161 234 3804 paul.marshall@manchester.gov.uk

**Children and Young People Scrutiny Committee
Work Programme – June 2017**

Tuesday 20 June 2017, 2.00pm (Report deadline Thursday 8 June 2017)				
Item	Purpose	Executive Member	Strategic Director/ Lead Officer	Comments
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	
Improving Outcomes for Care Leavers	To receive a report to include: - 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 - a response to the Committee's recommendation 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	Councillor S Newman	Paul Marshall/Paul Dempsey	See January 2016 and September 2016 minutes
Ofsted Subgroup- to	The report seeks the Committee's approval to re-	-	Rachel	

re-establish	establish the Ofsted Subgroup for the 2017/18 municipal year.		McKeon	
Road Safety Around Schools Task and Finish Group – to re-establish	The report seeks the Committee's approval to re-establish the Road Safety Around Schools Task and Finish Group for the 2017/18 municipal year.	-	Lee Walker	
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 and the Executive Member for Schools.	-	Councillor S Newman	
Overview Report	The monthly report includes the recommendations monitor, relevant key decisions, the Committee's work programme and any items for information	-	Rachel McKeon	
Training Session	The meeting will close for a members training session.			

Tuesday 18 July 2017, 2.00pm (Report deadline Thursday 6 July 2017)				
Item	Purpose	Executive Member	Strategic Director/ Lead Officer	Comments
Planning for Permanence/ Sufficiency Planning	To receive an update on the sufficiency of appropriate placements. To include a response to the following recommendation: 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 Looked After Children (LAC)	Councillor S Newman	Paul Marshall/Paul Dempsey	See October 2015 and September 2016 minutes
Complex Safeguarding	To receive a report on how the Council and partners are responding to complex child safeguarding issues, including those relating to: - Child Sexual Exploitation (including the work of	Councillor S Newman	Paul Marshall/Fiona Worrall/Julie Heslop/ Sam	Invite Chair of Communities and Equalities Scrutiny

	the Protect Team) - Radicalisation (including Prevent) - Modern Slavery		Stabler	Committee
Overview Report		-	Rachel McKeon	

Tuesday 5 September 2017, 2.00pm (Report deadline Wednesday 23 August 2017)

Item	Purpose	Executive Member	Strategic Director/ Lead Officer	Comments
Buglawton Hall School	Subject to a decision being made following the consultation, to receive a further report on proposals for Buglawton Hall School.	Councillor Battle	Amanda Corcoran	Executive Report
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 Battle	Amanda Corcoran/ Karen Jarmany	
Changes to Lancasterian Sensory Support Service	To receive a further report in a year's time in order to monitor the impact of the changes.	Councillor Battle	Amanda Corcoran	See February 2017 minutes
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 Craig Councillor S Newman	David Regan/Paul Marshall/ Jock Rodger/	See December 2016 minutes Invitation to members of

			Clinical Commissioning Group	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. To receive a report on the single funding rate for early years providers and its likely future impact.	Councillor S Newman	Amanda Corcoran/ Karen Jarmany	See 31 January 2017 minutes
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
Greater Manchester Review of Children's Services	To receive a further report which provides more information on the proposals for Greater Manchester Children's Services, the Children and Families Bill and the Alan Wood review of LSCB, including the implications for Manchester City Council.	Councillor S Newman	Paul Marshall	See 31 January 2017 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 Craig	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
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: Ofsted's Monitoring Visits of the Local Authority, Early Help, Corporate Parenting and LAC, Safeguarding, Fostering and Adoption, Quality of Practice and Missing from Home. The Early Help Update will include a response to the Committee's recommendation that information on any resistance from individual schools be circulated to members and that schools which are positively engaging with Early Help be promoted as an example to others.	Councillor S Newman	Paul Marshall /Amanda Amesbury/ Linda Evans	See July 2016 minutes.
Protect Team	To receive a report on the review of the Protect Team.	Councillor S	Paul Marshall	See November

		Newman		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 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 Battle	Amanda Corcoran	See June 2016 minutes
School Exclusions	To receive a report on school exclusions, to include information on the number of fixed term and permanent exclusions at each Manchester school over the past three years.	Councillor Battle	Amanda Corcoran	See 31 January 2017 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 Battle	Amanda Corcoran	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 Battle Councillor	Amanda Corcoran/ David Regan/Lee Preston/Neil	Invite Chair of Communities and Equalities Scrutiny Committee

		Rahman	Fairlamb	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	Amanda Corcoran	See December 2015 & February 2016 minutes