



Report to Children, Young People and Family Support Scrutiny & Policy Development Committee Wednesday 24th November 2021

Report of: Policy and Improvement Officer

Subject: Draft Work Programme 2021/22

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This report sets out the Committee's draft work programme for consideration and discussion.

Type of item: The report author should tick the appropriate box

Reviewing of existing policy	
Informing the development of new policy	
Statutory consultation	
Performance / budget monitoring report	
Cabinet request for scrutiny	
Full Council request for scrutiny	
Call-in of Cabinet decision	
Briefing paper for the Scrutiny Committee	
Other	X

The Scrutiny Committee is being asked to:

- Consider and comment on the work programme

Background Papers: [Sheffield Council Constitution](#)

Category of Report: OPEN

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1.0 What is the role of Scrutiny?

- 1.1 Scrutiny Committees exist to hold decision makers to account, investigate issues of local concern, and make recommendations for improvement.
- 1.2 Scrutiny Committees can operate in a number of ways – through formal meetings with several agenda items, single item ‘select committee’ style meetings, task and finish groups, and informal visits and meetings to gather evidence to inform scrutiny work. Committees can hear from Council Officers, Cabinet Members, partner organisations, expert witnesses, members of the public. This Scrutiny Committee includes parent governor representatives. Scrutiny Committees are not decision making bodies but can make recommendations to decision makers.

2.0 The Scrutiny Work Programme

- 2.1 Attached is the draft work programme for the Committee’s consideration. We will take a flexible approach in planning scrutiny work, to enable us to respond appropriately as new issues emerge.
- 2.2 Members of the Committee can also raise any issues relating to the work programme via the Chair or Policy and Improvement Officer at any time.

3.0 Recommendations

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Children, Young People and Family Support Scrutiny Committee 2021/22			
Item	Reason	Who	When
Review of impact of Covid-19 pandemic on Young People in Sheffield - Update on Scrutiny Recommendations of 2020/2, and current view of young people	Continuation of established collaborative working with Youth Cabinet	Youth Cabinet Representatives	October 2021
Adoption Service - Annual Report	Holding to account – consider Annual Report	Carly Speechley, Director of Children and Families, Paul Dempsey, Assistant Director	November 2021
Fostering Service - Annual Report	Holding to account – consider Annual Report	Carly Speechley, Director of Children and Families, Paul Dempsey, Assistant Director	November 2021
SEND – Review of Sheffield Inclusion Strategy, including pandemic impact on needs or service delivery	Holding to account - progress of Sheffield Inclusion Strategy		TBC
Safeguarding Children's Board Annual Report	Holding to account - consider Annual Report	David Ashcroft (Independent Chair of Sheffield Children Safeguarding Partnership); Tina Gilbert (Safeguarding Board Manager); Jayne Dunn - Co-operative Executive Member for Education Children and Families	TBC - 2022
Sheffield Sexual Exploitation Service Annual Report	Holding to account - consider Annual Report	Dan White (Head of Health and Targeted Services)	TBC – 2022
Amber Project Update	Briefing on Amber Project, contextualised safeguarding and signs of safety – follow up of committee ask 2020/21		TBC – agenda item or briefing
Review of early help services	Follow up of Committee ask 2021/21		TBC agenda item or briefing

