



**Open Report on behalf of Andrew Crookham,  
Deputy Chief Executive and Executive Director - Resources**

Report to:	<b>Children and Young People Scrutiny Committee</b>
Date:	<b>8 March 2024</b>
Subject:	<b>Children and Young People Scrutiny Committee Work Programme</b>

**Summary:**

This item enables the Committee to consider and comment on the content of its work programme to ensure that its scrutiny activity is focused where it can be of greatest benefit. The Committee is encouraged to highlight items that could be included for consideration in the work programme.

**Actions Required:**

- (1) To review and agree the Committee's work programme as set out in this report.
- (2) To highlight for discussion any additional scrutiny activity which could be considered for inclusion in the work programme.

## 1. Background

### Current Items

For reference, the Committee's items for this meeting are set out below: -

08 March 2024			
	Item	Contributor	Purpose
1.	Lincolnshire School Performance 2022 - 23	Martin Smith, Assistant Director – Education Matt Spoons, Head of Service - School Standards Nicky Myers, Interim Head of Service Early Years and Childcare Support	Performance Scrutiny

08 March 2024			
Item		Contributor	Purpose
2.	Service Level Performance Reporting Against the Success Framework 2023-24 Quarter 3	Jo Kavanagh, Assistant Director – Early Help	Performance Scrutiny
3.	Children's Services Annual Statutory Complaints Report 2022-23	Carolyn Knight, Head of Service Quality and Standards and Principal Social Worker	Performance Scrutiny

### Planned Items

The Committee's planned items are listed below:

19 April 2024			
Item		Contributor	Purpose
1.	Lincolnshire Leaving Care Service from April 2025	Bridie Fletcher, Senior Commissioning Officer – Children's Strategic Commissioning Amy Allcock, Commissioning Manager - Commercial	Pre-Decision Scrutiny (Executive Councillor decision between 3 – 7 June 2024)
2.	Children and Young People Mental Health Transformation Programme	Kevin Johnson, Commissioning Manager - Children's Mental Health, LD and Autism Charlotte Gray, Head of Service – Children's Strategic Commissioning	Policy Review
3.	Families First for Children Pathfinder Programme	Andy Cook, Head of Service - Families First for Children Pathfinder	Policy Development

<b>19 April 2024</b>			
<b>Item</b>	<b>Contributor</b>	<b>Purpose</b>	
4.	New Lincolnshire Secure Children's Home build – Main Works Contract (EXEMPT)	<p>Matt Clayton, Interim Head of Capital Reform and Education Sufficiency</p> <p>Dave Pennington, Head of Property Development</p> <p>Dave Clarke, Service Lead - Secure Estate</p> <p>Rachel Freeman, Head of Service Children in Care and Residential Estates</p>	Pre-Decision Scrutiny (Executive decision on 8 May 2024)

<b>14 June 2024</b>			
<b>Item</b>	<b>Contributor</b>	<b>Purpose</b>	
1.	Ofsted Inspection of Children's Services - Improvement Plan	Andrew Morris, Head of Service - Leaving Care, Semi-Independent Living and Unaccompanied Children	Inspection Outcome
2.	Children in Care Transformation Programme Update	<p>Matt Clayton, Interim Head of Capital Reform and Education Sufficiency</p> <p>Tracey Robinson, Programme Manager – Sector Led Improvement &amp; Children in Care Transformation</p> <p>Tara Jones, Assistant Director – Children's Safeguarding</p>	Policy Review
3.	Gosberton House Academy - New Block Extension and External Works as part of the SEND Building Communities of Specialist Provision Strategy (EXEMPT)	<p>Eileen McMorrow, Programme Manager SEND Strategy</p> <p>Dave Pennington, Head of Property Development</p>	Pre-Decision Scrutiny (Leader Decision between 24-28 June 2024)

<b>14 June 2024</b>			
<b>Item</b>		<b>Contributor</b>	<b>Purpose</b>
<b>4.</b>	Minerva House project – remodelling to provide accommodation for Children’s Services (EXEMPT)	Dave Pennington, Head of Property Development Wendy Lanes, Project Manager - Corporate Property	Pre-Decision Scrutiny (Leader Decision between 24-28 June 2024)
<b>5.</b>	Primary School Mobile Replacement Scheme (EXEMPT)	Dave Pennington, Head of Property Development Neal Kathel, Project Team Leader, Corporate Property	Pre-Decision Scrutiny (Leader decision between 24-28 June 2024)

<b>19 July 2024</b>			
<b>Item</b>		<b>Contributor</b>	<b>Purpose</b>
<b>1.</b>	Holiday Activities and Food Programme (HAF) Annual Report	Nicky Myers, Interim Head of Service Early Years and Childcare Support	Policy Review
<b>2.</b>	Service Level Performance Reporting Against the Success Framework 2023-24 Quarter 4	Jo Kavanagh, Assistant Director – Early Help	Performance Scrutiny

<b>6 September 2024</b>			
<b>Item</b>		<b>Contributor</b>	<b>Purpose</b>
<b>1.</b>	Lincolnshire Safeguarding Children Partnership (LSCP) Annual Report 2023	Chris Cook, Chair of LSCP Stacey Waller, LSCP Manager	Yearly Update
<b>2.</b>	Service Level Performance Reporting Against the Success Framework 2024-25 Quarter 1	Jo Kavanagh, Assistant Director – Early Help	Performance Scrutiny

18 October 2024			
Item		Contributor	Purpose
1.	Update on the Building Communities of Specialist Provision Strategy	Eileen McMorrow, Programme Manager SEND Strategy Dave Pennington, Head of Property Development	Policy Review (Yearly Update)
2.	Children's Services Annual Statutory Complaints Report 2023-24	Jo Kavanagh, Assistant Director - Early Help	Performance Scrutiny

6 December 2024			
Item		Contributor	Purpose
1.	Childcare Sufficiency in Lincolnshire	Nicky Myers, Interim Head of Service Early Years and Childcare Support Geraldine O'Neill, Sustainability and Development Manager	Policy Review
2.	Service Level Performance Reporting Against the Success Framework 2024-25 Quarter 2	Jo Kavanagh, Assistant Director – Early Help	Performance Scrutiny

## 2. Conclusion

The Committee is invited to review, consider and comment on the work programme as set out above and highlight for discussion any additional scrutiny activity which could be included for consideration in the work programme. A list of all upcoming Forward Plan decisions relating to the Committee is also attached at Appendix A.

## 3. Appendices

These are listed below and attached at the back of the report	
Appendix A	Forward Plan of Decisions relating to the Children and Young People Scrutiny Committee

#### **4. Background Papers**

No background papers within Section 100D of the Local Government Act 1972 were used in the preparation of this report.

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**FORWARD PLAN OF DECISIONS RELATING TO CHILDREN'S SERVICES FROM 01 MARCH 2024**

DEC REF	MATTERS FOR DECISION	REPORT STATUS	DECISION MAKER AND DATE OF DECISION	PEOPLE/GROUPS CONSULTED PRIOR TO DECISION	DOCUMENTS TO BE CONSIDERED	OFFICER(S) FROM WHOM FURTHER INFORMATION CAN BE OBTAINED AND REPRESENTATIONS MADE (All officers are based at County Offices, Newland, Lincoln LN1 1YL unless otherwise stated)	DIVISIONS AFFECTED
I032116 New!	New Lincolnshire Secure Children's Home Build - Main Works Contract	Exempt	Executive 8 May 2024	Directorate Leadership Team Corporate Leadership Team Legal Services Finance Services Children and Young People Scrutiny Committee	Exempt Reports	Interim Head of Capital Reform and Education Sufficiency E-mail: <a href="mailto:matthew.clayton@lincolnshire.gov.uk">matthew.clayton@lincolnshire.gov.uk</a>	Seaford
I030828	Lincolnshire Leaving Care Service from April 2025	Open	Executive Councillor: Children's Services, Community Safety, Procurement and Migration Between 3 Jun 2024 and 7 Jun 2024	Representatives from Children's Services teams (social care and IROs); care leavers and other stakeholders involved in services for care leavers; Children's Services DLT	Reports	Senior Commissioning Officer E-mail: <a href="mailto:Bridie.fletcher@lincolnshire.gov.uk">Bridie.fletcher@lincolnshire.gov.uk</a>	All Divisions
I028654	Gosberton House Academy - New Block Extension and External Works as part of the SEND Building Communities of Specialist Provision Strategy	Exempt	Leader of the Council (Executive Councillor: Resources, Communications and Commissioning) Between 24 Jun 2024 and 28 Jun 2024	Children and Young People Scrutiny Committee	Exempt Reports	Head of Property Development E-mail: <a href="mailto:dave.pennington@lincolnshire.gov.uk">dave.pennington@lincolnshire.gov.uk</a>	

I032178	Minerva House project – remodelling to provide accommodation for Children’s Services	Exempt	Leader of the Council (Executive Councillor: Resources, Communications and Commissioning) Between 24 Jun 2024 and 28 Jun 2024	Children and Young People Scrutiny Committee	Exempt Reports	Head of Property Development E-mail: <a href="mailto:dave.pennington@lincolnshire.gov.uk">dave.pennington@lincolnshire.gov.uk</a>	Holbeach
I030411	Primary School Mobile Replacement Scheme	Exempt	Leader of the Council (Executive Councillor: Resources, Communications and Commissioning) Between 24 Jun 2024 and 28 Jun 2024	Children and Young People Scrutiny Committee	Exempt Reports	Head of Property Development E-mail: <a href="mailto:dave.pennington@lincolnshire.gov.uk">dave.pennington@lincolnshire.gov.uk</a>	All Divisions