# Agenda Item 10



**Policy and Scrutiny** 

# Open Report on behalf of David O'Connor, Executive Director Performance and Governance

Report to: Children and Young People Scrutiny Committee

Date: 26 July 2013

Subject: Children and Young People Scrutiny Committee Work

**Programme 2013/14** 

# Summary:

This item enables the Children and Young People Scrutiny Committee to consider its own work programme for the coming year.

### **Actions Required:**

- (1) To note the priorities identified for the Committee's future work programme, as set out in Appendix A to this report;
- (2) To comment and agree on the content of the work programme, as set out in Appendix B to this report.

#### 1. Background

## **Future Priorities**

At the last meeting of the Children and Young People Scrutiny Committee, members were asked to list their three top priorities for the Committee to look at over the next 12 to 18 months. Members then worked in groups of three to agree their top three priorities as a group. These priorities have been analysed and compiled under different headings of Education, Social Care, Health, School Transport, Partnership Working, and Youth Provision. Appendix A contains the priorities and details any proposed actions for future scrutiny activity. The priorities listed in italics are the priorities listed by members which were not included in the group priorities.

#### Current Work Programme

The current work programme for the Committee is attached at Appendix B to this report. This has been amended to reflect the priorities identified by the Committee.

#### Forward Plan

Also attached at Appendix C for the Committee's consideration is a list of the intended key decisions of the Executive or Executive Councillor for Adult Care and

Health Services, Children's Services, which fall within the remit of the Children and Young People Scrutiny Committee.

#### Scrutiny Activity Definitions

Set out below are the definitions used to describe the types of scrutiny, relating to the items:

<u>Budget Scrutiny</u> - The Committee is scrutinising the previous year's budget, the current year's budget or proposals for the future year's budget.

<u>Pre-Decision Scrutiny</u> - The Committee is scrutinising a proposal, prior to a decision on the proposal by the Executive, the Executive Councillor or a senior officer.

<u>Performance Scrutiny</u> - The Committee is scrutinising periodic performance, issue specific performance or external inspection reports.

<u>Policy Development</u> - The Committee is involved in the development of policy, usually at an early stage, where a range of options are being considered.

<u>Consultation</u> - The Committee is responding to (or making arrangements to respond to) a consultation, either formally or informally. This includes preconsultation engagement.

<u>Status Report</u> - The Committee is considering a topic for the first time where a specific issue has been raised or members wish to gain a greater understanding.

<u>Update Report</u> - The Committee is scrutinising an item following earlier consideration.

<u>Scrutiny Review Activity</u> - This includes discussion on possible scrutiny review items; finalising the scoping for the review; monitoring or interim reports; approval of the final report; and the response to the report.

#### 2. Conclusion

That consideration is given to the content of this report.

#### 3. Consultation

### a) Policy Proofing Actions Required

No policy proofing is required for this report.

#### 4. Appendices

These are listed below and attached at the back of the report							
Appendix A	Children and Young People Scrutiny Committee Priorities						
Appendix B	Children	and	Young	People	Scrutiny	Committee	Work
	Programme						
Appendix C	Children's Services Forward Plan						

# 5. 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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