



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

Report to:	Children and Young People Scrutiny Committee
Date:	8 December 2023
Subject:	Children and Young People Scrutiny Committee Work Programme

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 December 2023			
Item		Contributor	Purpose
1.	Insourcing of the catering service at Lincolnshire Secure Unit	Mark Rainey, Strategic Commissioning Manager – Children's Services	Pre-Decision Scrutiny (Executive Councillor decision between 8 – 22 December 2023)

08 December 2023			
Item	Contributor	Purpose	
2.	Service Level Performance Reporting against the Success Framework 2023-24 – Quarter 2	Jo Kavanagh, Assistant Director – Early Help	Performance Scrutiny
3.	Childcare Sufficiency in Lincolnshire	Nicky Myers, Interim Head of Service Early Years and Childcare Support Geraldine O'Neill, Sustainability and Development Manager	Policy Review
4.	Myle Cross & Cherry Willingham Childrens Centres Refurbishment – Alternative Provision (EXEMPT)	Dave Pennington, Head of Property Development Mark Rainey, Strategic Commissioning Manager – Children's Services	Pre-Decision Scrutiny (Leader decision between 8 - 22 December 2023)

Planned Items

The Committee's planned items are listed below:

12 January 2024			
Item	Contributor	Purpose	
1.	Children's Services Budget Proposals 2024/25	Heather Sandy, Executive Director – Children's Services Mark Popplewell, Strategic Finance Lead – Children's Services	Budget Scrutiny / Pre-Decision Scrutiny
2.	Early Years Funding Formula - Childcare Reforms	Nicky Myers, Interim Head of Service Early Years and Childcare Support Geraldine O'Neill, Sustainability and Development Manager	Pre-Decision Scrutiny (Executive Councillor decision between 15 – 17 January 2024)

12 January 2024			
Item		Contributor	Purpose
3.	Attendance in Schools, Elective Home Education and Children Missing Education Annual Report 2022/23	Jill Chandar-Nair, Inclusion and Attendance Manager	Annual Report
INFORMATION ONLY ITEMS			
4.	Youth Offending Service – Progress against HMIP Inspection Recommendations	Tracey Evans, Head of Service – Future4Me and Youth Offending	Inspection Outcome
EXEMPT ITEMS			
5.	Welton William Farr – New Sixth Form Block and Dining Remodelling (EXEMPT)	Dave Pennington, Head of Property Development	Pre-Decision Scrutiny (Leader decision between 22 – 26 January 2024)

08 March 2024			
Item		Contributor	Purpose
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.	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
3.	Children's Services Annual Statutory Complaints Report 2022-23	Jo Kavanagh, Assistant Director - Early Help	Performance Scrutiny

08 March 2024			
Item		Contributor	Purpose
4.	Service Level Performance Reporting Against the Success Framework 2023-24 Quarter 3	Jo Kavanagh, Assistant Director – Early Help	Performance Scrutiny
5.	Lincolnshire Secure Children’s Home (LSCH) (EXEMPT)	Dave Pennington, Head of Property Development Matt Clayton, Interim Head of Capital Reform and Education Sufficiency Dave Clarke, Service Lead - Secure Estate Rachel Freeman, Head of Service Children in Care and Residential Estates	Pre-Decision Scrutiny (TBC)
6.	Gosberton House Academy - New Block Extension and External Works as part of the SEND Building Communities of Specialist Provision Strategy (EXEMPT)	Eileen McMorrow, Programme Manager SEND Strategy Dave Pennington, Head of Property Development	Pre-Decision Scrutiny (Leader Decision between 18 – 22 March 2024)
7.	Primary School Mobile Replacement Scheme (EXEMPT)	Dave Pennington, Head of Property Development	Pre-Decision Scrutiny (Leader decision between 18 – 22 March 2024)

19 April 2024			
Item		Contributor	Purpose
1.	Children and Young People Mental Health Transformation Programme	Charlotte Gray, Head of Service – Children’s Strategic Commissioning	Policy Review

19 April 2024			
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2.	Children in Care Transformation Programme Update	Matt Clayton, Interim Head of Capital Reform and Education Sufficiency Tracey Robinson, Programme Manager – Sector Led Improvement & Children in Care Transformation Tara Jones, Assistant Director – Children’s Safeguarding	Policy Review

14 June 2024		
Item	Contributor	Purpose
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19 July 2024			
Item	Contributor	Purpose	
1.	Service Level Performance Reporting Against the Success Framework 2023-24 Quarter 4	Jo Kavanagh, Assistant Director – Early Help	Performance Scrutiny

6 September 2024			
Item	Contributor	Purpose	
1.	Lincolnshire Safeguarding Children Partnership (LSCP) Annual Report 2023	Chris Cook, Chair of LSCP Stacey Waller, LSCP Manager	Yearly Update
2.	Service Level Performance Reporting Against the Success Framework 2024-25 Quarter 1	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 DECEMBER 2023

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
I030186	Myle Cross & Cherry Willingham Refurbishment – Alternate Provision	Exempt	Leader of the Council (Executive Councillor: Resources, Communications and Commissioning) Between 8 Dec 2023 and 22 Dec 2023	Executive Councillor for Children's Services, Community Safety, Procurement and Migration, Children and Young People Scrutiny Committee, Children's Services, Legal Services, Property Services	Exempt Reports	Children's Service Strategic Commissioning Manager Tel: 01522 554053 Email: mark.rainey@lincolnshire.gov.uk	All Divisions; Birchwood
I030084	Lincolnshire Secure Unit (LSU) Catering Service	Open	Executive Councillor: Children's Services, Community Safety, Procurement and Migration Between 8 Dec 2023 and 22 Dec 2023	Executive Councillor for Children's Services, Community Safety, Procurement and Migration Children and Young People Scrutiny Committee LSU Staff Legal Services	Reports	Children's Services Strategic Commissioning Manager E-mail: mark.rainey@lincolnshire.gov.uk	All Divisions
I030410	Welton William Farr - New Sixth Form Block and Dining Remodelling	Exempt	Leader of the Council (Executive Councillor: Resources, Communications and Commissioning) Between 22 Jan 2024 and 26 Jan 2024	Children and Young People Scrutiny Committee	Exempt Reports	Head of Property Development E-mail: dave.pennington@lincolnshire.gov.uk	Welton Rural

I030411	Primary School Mobile Replacement Scheme	Exempt	Leader of the Council (Executive Councillor: Resources, Communications and Commissioning) Between 18 Mar 2024 and 22 Mar 2024	Children and Young People Scrutiny Committee	Exempt Reports	Head of Property Development E-mail: dave.pennington@lincolnshire.gov.uk	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 18 Mar 2024 and 22 Mar 2024	Children and Young People Scrutiny Committee	Exempt Reports	Head of Property Development E-mail: dave.pennington@lincolnshire.gov.uk	