

# CHILDREN AND LIFELONG LEARNING SCRUTINY PANEL

<b>DATE</b>	9 <sup>th</sup> March 2021
<b>REPORT OF</b>	Assistant Chief Executive
<b>SUBJECT</b>	Children and Lifelong Learning Scrutiny Panel - Work Programme
<b>STATUS</b>	OPEN

## CONTRIBUTION TO OUR AIM

The scrutiny panels act as a reviewing mechanism for decisions made relating to the strategic policy, performance and resources required to deliver the ambitions of the Council and its key partnerships. The aim of the scrutiny process is to make sure decision making is robust by providing constructive challenge. This contributes to the Council being effective and efficient, and therefore it is integral to the delivery of the Council Priorities.

## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report reflects on the 2020/21 municipal year and the work undertaken by the Children and Lifelong Learning Scrutiny Panel. The panel will also consider, within its terms of reference, suggestions to be included in the 2021/22 work programme.

## MATTER(S) FOR CONSIDERATION

### 1. BACKGROUND AND ISSUES

This report and its appendix summarises the 2020/21 agreed work programme and the panel's timetable of activities to undertake this work.

The panel will also consider any topics it may wish to retain in or add to next year's work programme.

### 2. RISKS AND OPPORTUNITIES

Any actions which the council may undertake as a result of recommendations made by scrutiny will be the subject of further reports, which will include risk assessment(s) by the author(s) concerned.

### 3. REPUTATION AND COMMUNICATIONS CONSIDERATIONS

The work programme demonstrates the breadth of matters considered by scrutiny

### 4. FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

There are no financial considerations included within this report.

## **5. CLIMATE CHANGE AND ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS**

There are no impacts on climate change and the environment as a direct result of this report. Any actions which the council may undertake as a result of recommendations made by scrutiny will be the subject of further reports, which will include climate change and environmental implications by the author(s) concerned.

## **6. MONITORING COMMENTS**

In the opinion of the author, this report does not contain recommended changes to policy or resources (people, finance or physical assets). As a result no monitoring comments have been sought from the Council's Monitoring Officer (Chief Legal Officer), Section 151 Officer (Director of Finance) or Strategic Workforce Lead.

## **7. WARD IMPLICATIONS**

May impact on all wards

## **8. BACKGROUND PAPERS**

Annual report of scrutiny 2020/21  
Panel tracking reports

## **9. CONTACT OFFICER(S)**

Beverly O'Brien – Scrutiny and Committee Advisor

**HELEN ISAACS**  
**ASSISTANT CHIEF EXECUTIVE**  
**(STATUTORY SCRUTINY OFFICER)**

**SUMMARY WORK PROGRAMME: Children and Lifelong Learning Scrutiny Panel 2020/21**

Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> July 4:30pm	Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup> September 4:30pm	Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> November 4:30pm	Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> January 4:30pm	Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> February 4.30pm	Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup> March 4:30pm
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Children's Social Care Improvement</li> <li>Children &amp; Lifelong Learning Scrutiny Panel Work Programme 2020/21</li> <li>Outturn Report 2019/20</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Local Safeguarding Children's Board Annual Report 2019/20.</li> <li>Children's social Care Statutory Complaints Annual Report 2019/20</li> <li>Quarter 1 Finance Monitoring 2020/21</li> <li>Special Educational Needs and Disability Update</li> <li>Children's Services Covid 19 Response</li> <li>Children's mental health and emotional wellbeing update</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Educational Attainment in North East Lincolnshire 2019</li> <li>Virtual Head Annual Report</li> <li>Quarter 2 Finance Monitoring Report 2020/21</li> <li>NEETs Update</li> <li>Elective Home Education</li> <li>Youth Voice and Influence Update</li> <li>Children's Oral Hygiene and Dentistry</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>North East Lincolnshire Safeguarding Children's Partnership Annual Report</li> <li>School Exclusions</li> <li>Early Help Offer</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Family Hub Review</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Quarter 3 Finance Monitoring Report 2020-21</li> <li>SEND Inspection follow up</li> <li>Digital Poverty</li> <li>Children and Lifelong Learning Scrutiny panel review of 2020/21 and work programme 2021/20</li> </ul>

**STANDING AGENDA ITEMS:-**

- Tracking - Forward Plan - Public questions - Questions to Portfolio Holder

**WORKSHOPS:**

Budget, Finance and Commissioning Plan 2021-22 – 2023/24 (informal consultation December 2020 and formal joint scrutiny January 2021)

**Suggested items for 2021/22 carried over (from work programme / tracking/ annual report):**

- SEND Inspection written statement of action.
- New approach to the support and specialist assessment for children with additional needs
- Children's Oral Hygiene and Dentistry
- Children's Social Care Improvement
- Local Safeguarding Children's Board Annual Report 2020/21
- Children's Social Care Statutory Complaints Annual Report 2021/22
- Educational Attainment
- Virtual Head Annual Report
- NEETs
- Elective Home Education
- Youth Voice and Influence
- Children's Partnership Annual Report
- School Exclusions
- Contextual safeguarding practice
- Domestic Abuse – SCP New Strategy
- Early Help and Prevention Strategy