

CHILDREN AND LIFELONG LEARNING SCRUTINY PANEL

DATE	20 th July 2023
REPORT OF SUBJECT	Assistant Chief Executive Children and Lifelong Learning Scrutiny Panel - Work Programme
STATUS	OPEN

CONTRIBUTION TO OUR AIMS

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 work undertaken by the Children and Lifelong Learning Scrutiny Panel; within the panel's terms of reference, to identify topics to be included in the 2022/23 work programme. The panel is asked to agree the work programme.

MATTER(S) FOR CONSIDERATION

To confirm the panel's work programme for the 2023/24 Municipal Year.

1. BACKGROUND AND ISSUES

The appendix to this report summarises the suggested work programme and the panel's likely timetable of activities during 2023/24 to undertake this work. The report will be a live document and progress on each of the work programme items will be monitored throughout the year.

In addition to the work programme items, there will be the opportunity for members to identify agenda items from the forward plan, the Council's quarterly performance and resources report (with a focus on those issues relevant to the remit of the panel) and the tracking of its recommendations. The panel may also respond to issues of public concern.

Members are asked to consider and agree the work programme for the ensuing municipal year.

The panel may also consider any issues it may wish to remove or add to this 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. IMPLICATIONS FOR CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE

There are no impacts on children and young people as a direct result of this report. The panel will have the opportunity to consider to any implications for children and young people as it considers individual items within its work programme.

6. 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.

7. 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.

8. WARD IMPLICATIONS

May impact on all wards

9. BACKGROUND PAPERS

Annual report of scrutiny 2022/23
Panel tracking reports

10. CONTACT OFFICER(S)

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ASSISTANT CHIEF EXECUTIVE
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SUMMARY WORK PROGRAMME: Children and Lifelong Learning Scrutiny Panel 2023/24

Thursday 20 th July 4:30pm	Thursday 21 st September 4:30pm	Thursday 16 th November 4:30pm	Thursday 18 th January 2024 4.30pm	Thursday 7 th March 2024 4:30pm
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2022/23 Quarter 4 Council Plan Performance Report • 2022/23 Provisional Financial Outturn Report • Work Programme 2023/24 • Improvement Update • Update on developments with the safeguarding children's arrangements in NELC (including Safeguarding Children's Partnership Annual Report – 2022/23) • Children's education and Social care out of area figures- 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Quarter 1 Finance Monitoring 2023/24 and Council Plan Performance Report • Improvement Update • Family Hubs 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Quarter 2 Finance Monitoring 2023/24 and Council Plan Performance Report • Improvement Update • SEND • Autism/Neurodiversity 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improvement Update • Front Door Update 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Quarter 3 Finance Monitoring 2023/23 and Council Plan Performance Report • Scrutiny Panel Work Programme – Review 2023/24 and Work Programme 2023/24

STANDING AGENDA ITEMS: Tracking – Forward Plan – Public Questions – Questions to Portfolio Holder

WORKSHOPS:

ITEMS CARRIED OVER FROM PREVIOUS WORK PROGRAMME:

BRIEFING PAPERS:

- Progress report on 'Multiply' be provided back to panel – (UK Shared Prosperity Fund)
- North East Lincolnshire Youth Justice Services - Her Majesty's Inspectorate of probation (HMIP) Inspection- That the panel receive a briefing paper to monitor progress in a years' time

FURTHER TOPICS:

- Youth Voice and Influence
- 4 Targeted Workshops (1 every quarter) to be organised in new Municipal Year
- New school progress report
- Overseas Social Workers/Social Worker Academy – update to be provided via the standing agenda item on children's social care improvement
- Early Years Strategy (dependent on outcome of joint workshop below)

WORKSHOPS:

- Joint Workshop with Health on Whole family approach which contributes to the early help and prevention agenda – currently being re-arranged for Sept 2023
- Budgets - to be held in September prior to the Panel and consideration of Q1 Finance Report (so that members understand context behind)

JOINT WORK:

- Potential joint work on anti-social behaviour with Communities Scrutiny?

Champions for Childrens Homes – *Nominations from Childrens Scrutiny and CPB Members only if interested in this role*