



Haringey Council

Report for:	Children and Young People's Scrutiny Panel – 29 September 2014	Item Number:	
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Title:	Terms of Reference – Children and Young People's Scrutiny Panel
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Ward(s) affected:	Report for Key/Non Key Decisions:
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1. Describe the issue under consideration

1.1. Within the Overview & Scrutiny structure, there is one overarching Overview and Scrutiny Committee and four scrutiny panels. Panels have responsibility for scrutinising their own discrete areas of work, which are:

- Environment and Community Safety
- Adults and Health
- Children & Young People
- Housing and Regeneration

1.2. The work of the panels is overseen by the main Overview and Scrutiny and recommendations made by the panels must be approved by the Overview and Scrutiny Committee.

1.3. The Committee has determined the terms of reference of each Scrutiny Panel. If there is any overlap between the business of the Panels, it is the responsibility of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee to resolve this issue. Areas which are not covered by the four scrutiny panels shall be the responsibility of the main Overview and Scrutiny Committee.

1.4. Cabinet Member introduction

N/A

2. Recommendation

2.1. That the terms of reference for the Panel, as approved by the Overview and Scrutiny Committee on 31 July 2014, and as replicated at paragraph 4.2 of this report, be noted.

3. Other options considered

N/A

4. Scrutiny Panels

4.1. Scrutiny panels are non-decision making bodies. The work programme and any subsequent reports and recommendations that each panel produces must therefore be approved by the Overview & Scrutiny Committee. Such reports can then be referred to Cabinet or Council under agreed protocols. There are generic terms of reference for all of the scrutiny panels.

4.2. Terms of Reference for Scrutiny Panels

Policy Development and Review

4.2.1. Any Scrutiny Panels established by the Overview and Scrutiny Committee may, in accordance with Part Two, Article 6.03 (b) of the constitution:

- i. Assist the Council and the Cabinet in the development of its budget and policy framework by in-depth analysis of policy issues;
- ii. Conduct research, community and other consultation in the analysis of policy issues and possible options;
- iii. Consider and implement mechanisms to encourage and enhance community participation in the development of policy options;
- iv. Question members of the Cabinet and chief officers about their views on issues and proposals affecting the area; and
- v. Liaise with other external organisations operating in the area, whether national, regional or local, to ensure that the interests of local people are enhanced by collaborative working.

Scrutiny

4.2.2. Any Scrutiny Panels established by the Overview and Scrutiny Committee may, in accordance with Part Two, Article 6.03 (c) of the constitution:

- i. Review and scrutinise the decisions made by and performance of the Cabinet and council officers both in relation to individual decisions and over time;
- ii. Review and scrutinise the performance of the Council in relation to its policy objectives, performance targets and/or particular service areas;
- iii. Question members of the Cabinet and chief officers about their decisions and performance, whether generally in comparison with service plans and targets over a period of time, or in relation to particular decisions, initiatives or projects;
- iv. Make recommendations to the Cabinet or relevant nonexecutive Committee arising from the outcome of the scrutiny process;
- v. Review and scrutinise the performance of other public bodies in the area and invite reports from them by requesting them to address the overview and scrutiny committee and local people about their activities and performance; and
- vi. Question and gather evidence from any person (with their consent).

Approval of findings and recommendations

4.2.3. Scrutiny Panels must refer their findings/recommendations to the main Overview and Scrutiny Committee for approval prior to referral to Cabinet or the Council as appropriate.

Policy Areas

4.2.4. The area of policy covered by the Children and Young People's Scrutiny Panel are as follows (a full list for all panels is contained in Appendix A):

- Looked after children
- Fostering and adoption
- Education e.g. exam results & school improvements
- Youth offending
- Safeguarding policy
- Child poverty
- Effectiveness of partnership working

4.3. Membership of scrutiny panels

4.3.1. As laid out in the Overview and Scrutiny Protocol, individual panels will be chaired by a Member of the Overview & Scrutiny Committee. The total membership of the panel will consist of between 3 and 7 non executive members and be politically proportional as far as possible (including the Chair), and that apart from the Chair, the other Panel members are to be non-executive members who do not sit on the OSC.

4.3.2. Each Scrutiny Panel is entitled to appoint up to three non-voting co-optees. The Children and Young People's Scrutiny Panel membership shall include the statutory education representatives of Overview and Scrutiny Committee. These are:

Ms. Y. Denny (Church of England representative)
Mr. C. Ekeowa (Catholic Diocese representative)
Mr. L. Collier (Parent governor representative); and
Mr K. Taye (Parent governor representative).

4.3.3. It is intended that the education representatives will also attend the Overview and Scrutiny Committee meetings where reports from the relevant scrutiny panel are concerning education issues are considered.

4.3.4. The membership of the Children and Young People's Scrutiny Panel has been agreed as thus:

Cllr Hearn (Chair)
Cllr Berryman
Cllr Mark Blake
Cllr Hare
Cllr Ibrahim
Cllr Morris

4.4. Cycle of meetings

4.4.1. As per the Overview and Scrutiny Protocol, the scrutiny panel will meet five times per year, one of which will be a dedicated budget scrutiny meeting.

5. Comments of the Chief Finance Officer and financial implications

5.1. There are no financial implications arising from the recommendations set out in this report. Should any of the work undertaken by panels generate recommendations with financial implications, these will be highlighted at that time.

6. Comments of the Assistant Director Corporate Governance and legal implications

6.1 The Assistant Director Corporate Governance has been consulted on this report. Under section 9FA of the Local Government Act 2000 Overview and Scrutiny Committee has the power to appoint one or more sub-committees to discharge any of its functions. In accordance with the Terms of Reference, the Scrutiny Panels may only report their conclusions/findings/recommendations to the Cabinet or Council with the approval of the main Overview and Scrutiny Committee.

7. Equalities and Community Cohesion Comments

8. Head of Procurement Comments

8.1. N/A

9. Policy Implications

9.1. Scrutiny has a policy development and review role across the Council and with local partners. It is therefore anticipated that the Children and Young People's Scrutiny Panel will, during the course of its work, make recommendations which may impact on the policies and practice of the Council and its partners. The implications of such policy changes will be assessed by the panel and highlighted in any recommendations to Overview & Scrutiny Committee and Cabinet.

10. Use of Appendices

N/A

11. Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985

Appendix A

Overview & Scrutiny Committee and Scrutiny Panel membership and remits 2014-2015

Scrutiny body	Cabinet Link (s)	Areas of Responsibility
<p>Overview & Scrutiny Committee</p> <p>Membership: Chair: Cllr Gideon Bull (Chair) Cllr Pippa Connor (Vice Chair) Cllr Charles Adje Cllr Barbara Blake Cllr Kirsten Hearn</p> <p>Officer Support: Melanie Ponomarenko 0208 489 2933 Melanie.Ponomarenko@Haringey.gov.uk and Martin Bradford 0208 489 6950 Martin.Bradford@Haringey.gov.uk</p>	<p>Leader of the Council Cllr Claire Kober</p> <p>Cabinet Member for Economic Development, Social Inclusion and Sustainability Cllr Joe Goldberg</p> <p>Cabinet Member for Resources and Culture Cllr Jason Arthur</p> <p>Deputy Leader & Cabinet Member for Communities Cllr Bernice Vanier</p>	<p>Leader Growth and inward investment Commissioning Communications External partnerships Council performance Corporate policy and strategy</p> <p>Economic Development, Social Inclusion and Sustainability Tackling unemployment and worklessness Financial inclusion Social inclusion Post 16 education Increased job opportunities Adult Learning and skills</p> <p>Resources and Culture Customer services and Customer Transformation Programmes* Corporate Infrastructure programme Information Technology Procurement and commercial partnerships Council budget Council tax, benefits and taxation Human resources and staff wellbeing Governance services (inc Member Enquiries)</p>

		<p>Arts and Culture / Libraries</p> <p>Communities: Equalities Community engagement (inc Area Forums)</p> <p>Other: St Ann's Hospital redevelopment</p>
<p>Adults and Health Scrutiny Panel</p> <p>Membership: Cllr Pippa Connor (Chair) Cllr Gina Adamou Cllr David Beecham Cllr Gideon Bull Cllr Jennifer Mann Cllr James Patterson Cllr Anne Stennett</p> <p>Officer support: Melanie Ponomarenko 0208 489 2933 Melanie.Ponomarenko@Haringey.gov.uk</p>	<p>Cabinet Member for Health and Wellbeing Cllr Peter Morton</p>	<p>Health and Wellbeing: Adult social care Public health Safeguarding adults Health and social care integration and commissioning Disabilities Voluntary sector engagement Working with CCG and NHS Children to adult social care transition</p>
<p>Housing & Regeneration Panel</p> <p>Membership: Cllr Charles Adje (Chair) Cllr John Bevan Cllr Vincent Carroll Cllr Isidoros Diakides Cllr Sarah Elliott Cllr Gail Engert Cllr Denise Marshall</p>	<p>Cabinet Member for Housing and Regeneration Cllr Alan Strickland</p> <p>Cabinet Member for Planning Cllr Ali Demirci</p>	<p>Housing & Regeneration: Tottenham regeneration programme* Borough-wide regeneration Corporate property and investment Housing investment programme Housing policy Homelessness Homes for Haringey and social landlords</p> <p>Planning:</p>

<p>Officer Support: Martin Bradford 0208 489 6950 Martin.Bradford@Haringey.gov.uk</p>		<p>Planning policy Planning applications and development management Building Control Planning Enforcement Houses of Multiple Occupation</p>
<p>Environment & Community Safety Scrutiny Panel</p> <p>Membership: Cllr Barbara Blake (Chair) Cllr Natan Doron Cllr Tim Gallagher Cllr Makbule Gunes Cllr Adam Jogee Cllr Liz Morris Cllr Martin Newton</p> <p>Officer Support: Rob Mack 0208 489 2921 Rob.Mack@Haringey.gov.uk</p>	<p>Cabinet Member for Environment Cllr Stuart McNamara</p> <p>Deputy Leader & Cabinet Member for Communities Cllr Bernice Vanier</p> <p>Cabinet Member for Economic Development, Social Inclusion and Sustainability Cllr Joe Goldberg</p>	<p>Environment: Streets and Highways Parking and traffic management Recycling, waste and street cleaning Licensing (except HMOs) Environmental health and enforcement Parks and open spaces Leisure and Leisure Centres</p> <p>Communities: Community Safety Engagement with the Police Tackling antisocial behaviour</p> <p>Economic Development, Social Inclusion and Sustainability Carbon Reduction and Haringey 40:20</p>
<p>Children & Young People Scrutiny Panel</p> <p>Membership: Cllr Kirsten Hearn (Chair) Cllr Pat Berryman Cllr Mark Blake Cllr Bob Hare Cllr Emine Ibrahim Cllr Liz Morris</p>	<p>Cabinet Member for Children and Families Cllr Ann Waters</p>	<p>Children & Families: Outstanding for all - schools and learning Safeguarding children Early years and child care Adoption and fostering Looked-after children Children with disabilities or additional needs Haringey 54,000 programme* Youth and Youth Offending Services</p>

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