Work Programme 2015/16 – Children and Young People's Scrutiny Panel

| Meeting Date | Agenda Item | Details and desired outcome | Lead Officer / Witnesses |
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| 9 July 2015 | Corporate Plan, Priority 1: Best Start in Life | - In order to inform the development of the work plan for 2015/16, to receive a presentation on actions to address Priority 1 within the Council's Corporate Plan; "Enable every child and young person to have the best start in life, with high quality education". | James Page - Head of Transformation and Strategy, CYPS |
| | Panel Project on Youth Transition - Interim Report | To agree preliminary findings and further work to be undertaken as part of the Panel's project on youth transition | Cllr Kirsten Hearn – Chair of Panel Rob Mack – Principal Scrutiny Support Officer |
| | Work Programme Update | To agree items for prioritisation within the work plan for the Panel for recommendation to the Overview and Scrutiny Committee. | Rob Mack – Principal Scrutiny Support Officer |
| 16 November 2015 | Cabinet Member Q&A | - To question the Cabinet Member for Children and Families on her portfolio and, particular, progress against targets under Corporate Priority 1 – Best Start in Life. | Councillor Anne Waters, Cabinet Member for Children and Families |
| | School places | Areas for consideration; (i) Capacity building for school places in areas within the borough which are earmarked for regeneration and new housing; and | Anton Francic & Jane Blakey – Assistant Directors for Schools and Learning |

| | | (ii). Projected changes to trends in volume of new school starters in years ahead and what this means for capacity planning. | |
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| | Child Obesity; | To report on progress with action to address child obesity. | Debbie Arrigon and Susan Otiti – Public Health |
| 1 February 2016 | Child Safeguarding and preventing violence against the child. | The Overview and Scrutiny Committee agreed at its meeting on 27 July that the Panel would invite Sir Paul Ennals, the Chair of the Local Safeguarding Children's Board (LSCB,) to attend to review the work of the Board and the effectiveness of partnership working. He will also introduce the Annual Report of the LSCB. | Sir Paul Ennals – Chair of Haringey LCSB |
| | | The Committee also agreed that the Panel would review the effectiveness of local arrangements for tackling child sexual exploitation in Haringey. The Panel will be receiving a report of the outcome of the recent diagnostic report on child sexual exploitation/missing from home. | Neelam Bhardwaja, Assistant Director for Children's Services - Safeguarding and Support |
| | Educational Attainment Performance for different groups – including children with SENDs. | To report on educational attainment and performance for different groups, including children with SENDs. Data on performance broken down into different groups, including children with SENDs, as well as ethnicity, age, household income etc. | Anton Francic & Jane Blakey – Assistant Directors for Schools and Learning |
| | Youth Transition Review | - To approve the final report and recommendations | Chair |

| | Review on Disproportionality in the Youth Justice System | - | To agree the draft scope and terms of reference | Chair |
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| 3 March 2016 | Cabinet Member Q&A | - | To question the Cabinet Member for Children and Families on her portfolio and, in particular, progress with the proposed closure of Children's Centres | Councillor Anne Waters, Cabinet Member for Children and Families |
| | Foster carers and adoption: | - | Potential areas for the Panel to consider; (i). The recruitment of in-house foster carers; (ii). Gaps in the budget for foster care and adoption, arising from legacy cases of 13-17 year olds who have remained in care for 3-4 years; (iii). Planned reforms under the Education & Adoption Bill going through Parliament, which will require a more regional approach to adoption services This will need to be co-ordinated with reference to the Corporate Parenting Advisory Committee (CPAC) to ensure that there is no duplication. The Panel has a role in considering any findings and recommendations which CPAC produces plus may want to cover any gaps. | Neelam Bhardwaja, Assistant Director for Children's Services - Safeguarding and Support |

Reviews TBA

- Early Years
- Early Help

Items TBA

Child obesity – Progress with plans to address the issue, including performance data.

Children's Centres: Report on the impact of closures. (October/November 2016)