



Schools, Children and Families O&S Committee: Work Programme 2016/17

Chair: Cllr Susan Barnett

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1 Priority Issues

1.1 The following were highlighted in June as the priority issues for the committee's 2016/17 municipal year:

- Birmingham Education Partnership (BEP) / School improvement
- Child Sexual Exploitation (CSE) and Children Missing from Home and Care
- Corporate Parenting
- Looked After Children (LAC)
- School exclusions
- Social Care Improvement Journey
- Special Educational Needs (SEN)
- Special Guardianship Orders (SGOs)
- Voluntary Children's Trust (governance vehicle)

1.2 Annual reports/updates on:

- School places sufficiency
- School attainment
- Birmingham Safeguarding Children Board (BSCB)
- Portfolio Budget



2 Meeting Schedule

All at 2 pm in Committee Rooms 3 & 4	Session / Outcome	Officers / Attendees
15 June 2016 Committee Room 2	Informal Meeting to discuss the Work Programme	
20 July 2016 Send out: 12 Jul 2016	<p>The Education and Children's Social Care Improvement Journey.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Andrew Christie, Children's Commissioner for Birmingham to provide a SWOT analysis (robustness & risks). Will be available from 3.30pm.• Cabinet Member for Children, Schools and Families (discussion to include: Children's Services Voluntary Trust & SEN Commission)• Peter Hay, SD for People• Alastair Gibbons, AD, Executive Director for Children Services <p>Outcome: <i>These discussions have informed the work programme.</i></p>	
21 September 2016 Send out: 13 Sep 16	<p>Voluntary Children's Trust (2pm – 2.30pm)</p> <p>Inclusion Commission (2.30pm - 3pm)</p>	<p>Councillor Brigid Jones</p> <p>Councillor Brigid Jones</p>
	<p>Birmingham Education Partnership (BEP) to discuss school improvement. This includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Summary of the work BEP do for BEP Members and then the work they are contracted to do under the BCC contract to set the context.• First year contract review.• Whether BEP is making a difference?• Whether BEP/BCC undertakes a survey?• How BEP broker relationships.	<p>Tim Boyes, Chief Executive and Tracy Ruddle, Director of Continuous School Improvement, BEP</p> <p>Colin Diamond as the Council's Commissioner</p>
12 October 2016 Send out: 4 Oct 2016	<p>Update on Child Sexual Exploitation (CSE). To include a tracking report on Rec 6: awareness raising and licencing</p> <p>Tracking: Children Missing from Home and Care Inquiry (previous progress report received April 2016)</p> <p>Missing from Education</p>	<p>Alastair Gibbons and Tony Stanley</p> <p>Tony Stanley, Chief Social Worker</p> <p>Julie H Young, AD - Education & Skills</p>



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	Radicalisation Agenda	Tony Stanley, Chief Social Worker
23 November 2016 Send out: 15 Nov 2016	<p>Birmingham Safeguarding Children Board (BSCB) Annual report. To include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Update on listening to children voices • Lessons learned from serious case reviews • Children trafficked into the UK 	Penny Thompson, Chair of BSCB / Simon Cross, Business Manager
	Multi-Agency Safeguarding Hub (MASH)	Kay Child, AD, Integrated Services East
	Citywide School Attainment Statistics – Headline data	Colin Diamond / Richard Browne
	Education Development Plan and school places sufficiency update	Emma Leaman (TBC)
7 December 2016 Send out: 29 Nov 2016	<p>Christine Quinn, West Midlands Regional Schools Commissioner (TBC)</p> <p>Youth Justice Plan</p>	Seamus Gaynor Dawn Roberts, AD, Early Help
25 January 2017 Send out: 17 Jan 2017	<p>Cabinet Member for Children Services Six Month Update. To include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The plan in response to Ofsted full inspection <p>Looked After Children (LAC), Corporate Parenting Update and improvements from care leavers (TBC)</p>	Suman McCarthy Alastair Gibbons Andy Pepper, AD, Children in Care Provider Services
8 February 2017 Send out: 31 Jan 2017	<p>TBC</p> <p>TBC</p>	
22 March 2017 Send out: 14 Mar 2017	<p>School Attainment Statistics for Secondary and Primary Schools (detail)</p> <p>TBC</p>	Colin Diamond / Richard Browne
26 April 2017 Send out: 18 Apr 2017	<p>TBC</p> <p>TBC</p>	



3 Outstanding Tracking

Inquiry	Outstanding Recommendations	Date of Tracking
We need to get it right: A health check into the Council's role in tackling Child Sexual Exploitation (CSE)	R6 - Awareness raising and licencing.	Last Tracked: 20 April 2016
Children Missing from Home and Care	R2 – Develop an overarching strategy for missing children so responsibilities are clear and understood, risk is managed well, especially for looked after children and persistent runaways, information is shared effectively and appropriate support is in place for children and families.	Update received: 20 April 2016

4 Visits

- 4.1 A visit to Leeds City Council on the 2nd August 2016: Education Awards Appeals (Home to School Transport), Special Educational Needs (SEN), Leeds Safeguarding Childrens Board & Leeds' Scrutiny.
- 4.2 Further visits to be arranged to social work teams to talk to front line staff (South Area – Lifford House on 22nd July 2016).
- 4.3 Children in Care Council (CiCC) and work experience visit on 12th August 2016.

5 Inquiry

- 5.1 The committee to agree the topic for their inquiry. Corporate Parenting may be appropriate.

Inquiry – TBC

Date	Item
TBC	TOR Agreed
TBC	Evidence gathering & Committee agree the draft report
TBC	Draft report to the Executive & Committee agree final report
TBC	City Council



6 Working Groups

6.1 A Working Group to assist with the Early Years Review: Early Education and Childcare Offer:

Early Years Review: Early Education and Childcare Offer	
Working Group Members: Cllr Susan Barnett, Samera Ali, Evette Clarke & Cllr Shabrina Hussain	
Key Officer(s): Emma Leaman, AD, Education and Infrastructure / Education and Commissioning	
Aug / Sep	TOR to be agreed
Sep / Oct	Programme to be arranged

7 To be Programmed

7.1 Lorna Fitzjohn, Regional Director, West Midlands, Ofsted to attend after the full Ofsted inspection.



8 Useful Acronyms

AD = Assistant Director	CYPF = Children, Young People and Families	MASH = Multi Agency Safeguarding Hub
APA = Annual Performance Assessment	DFE = Department for Education	NASS = National Asylum Support Service
BEP = Birmingham Education Partnership	DLT = Directorate Leadership Team	NEET = Not in Education, Employment or Training
BESD = Behavioural, Emotional, Social Difficulties	DCSC = Disabled Children's Social Care	NQSW = Newly Qualified Social Worker
BSCB = Birmingham Safeguarding Children Board	DSP = Designated Senior Person	NQT = Newly qualified teacher
BSWA = Birmingham and Solihull Women's Aid	DV = Domestic Violence	NRPF = No Recourse to Public Funds
BSWA = Birmingham Social Work Academy	EDT = Emergency Duty Team	Ofsted = Office for Standards in Education
CAF = Common Assessment Framework	EFA = Education Funding Agency	PCT = Primary Care Trust
CAFCASS = Child & Family Court Advisory Support Service	EHC = Education, Health and Care plan (to replace SEN statements from Sept 2014)	PDR = Personal Development Review
CAMHS = Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services	EHE = Elective Home Education	PEP = Pupil Education Plan
CEOP = Child Exploitation and Online Protection	EWS = Education Welfare Service	PEx = Permanent Exclusions
CBB = Community Based Budget	EYFS = Early Years Foundation stage	PGCE = Post Graduate Certificate of Education
CC = Children's Centre	FCAF = Family Common Assessment Framework	PIE = Pride in Education
CHIPS = Challenging Homophobia in Primary Schools	F&A = Fostering and Adoption	PPS = Parent Partnership Services
CIC = Children in Care	FGM = Female Genital Mutilation	PRU = Pupil Referral Unit
CICC = Children in Care Council	FNP = Family Nurse Partnership	RAG = Red, Amber, Green
CIN = Child In Need	FSM = Free School Meals	SCR = Serious Case Review
COBS = City of Birmingham School	FSW = Family Support Worker	SEN = Special Educational Needs
CPD = Continuing Professional Development	IA = Initial Assessment	SENAR = SEN Assessment and Review
CPR = Child Protection Register	IAT = Integrated Access Team	SENDIASS = SEND Information, Advice and Support Service
CRB = Criminal Records Bureau	IRO = Independent Reviewing Officer	SENO = Special Educational Needs Coordinator
CSE = Child sexual Exploitation	Key Stage 1(Ages 5-7) Years 1 and 2	SEND = Special Educational Needs and Disability
CTB = Children's Trust Board	Key Stage 2 (Ages 7-11) Years 3, 4, 5 and 6	SEDP = Special Education Development Plan
	Key Stage 3 (Ages 11-14) Years 7, 8 and 9	SGOs = Special Guardianship Orders
	Key Stage 4 (Ages 14-16) Years 10 and 11	TA=Teaching Assistant
	LAC = Looked After Children	TAF = Team Around the Family
	LACES = Looked After Children Education Service	TM=Team Manager
	LADO=Local Authority Designated Officer	UASC = Unaccompanied Asylum Seeking Children
	LSCB = Local Safeguarding Children Board	YDC = Young Disabled Champions
		YOS = Youth Offenders Service
		YOT = Youth Offending Team

9 Forward Plan for Cabinet Decisions

The following decisions, extracted from the Cabinet Office Forward Plan of Decisions, are likely to be relevant to the Schools, Children and Families remit.

ID Number	Title	Proposed Date of Decision
000232/2015	School Organisation Issues which may include Closures, Amalgamations, Opening of a new school – Standing Item	20 Sep 16
000732/2015	Provision of Additional Places at Harborne Primary School (Lordswood Academy Annex) to meet Immediate Need and Demographic Growth for September 2016 Onwards – FBC	18 Oct 16
001893/2016	Building Schools for the Future Savings Review□	20 Sep 16
002275/2016	Voluntary Children's Trust	20 Sep 16
002307/2016	Council run Day Care Services – Review of delivery and future options for sustainability	20 Sep 16
002324/2016	Update report on Academy Conversions for Period – 1 May to 31	20 Sep 16



ID Number	Title	Proposed Date of Decision
	August 2016	
002325/2016	Update report on Academy Conversions for Period – 1 September to 30 November 2016	13 Dec 16
002340/2016	Regional Framework for Supported Accommodation for 16-18 year olds	18 Oct 16