Efficiency, Improvement & Transformation

Review of Youth Service

Scope

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Select Committee: Children and Young People Select Committee	Type of Review: Scrutiny Review

1. What services are included?

Universal Youth Services provided through core funding.

2. The Thematic Select Committee's / EIT Project Team overall aim / objectives in doing this work is:

To identify options for future strategy / policy / service provision that will deliver efficiency savings and sustain / improve high quality outcomes for SBC residents. Specifically:

- Proposals on levels of service to be provided taking into account the views of young people
- Identification of gaps in service and recommendations for addressing these
- Identification of resources to deliver Myplace

3. Expected duration of enquiry? What are the key milestones?

10 Months:

Approval of Scope and Project Plan – 24 February 2010 Evidence Gathering and Analysis – April – June 2010 Initial Options/ Proposals – 14 July 2010 Recommendations for change – 29 September 2010 Final Agreement by Select Committee – TBC 2010 Submission to Cabinet – 16 December 2010

(See also detailed project plan)

4. In addition to analysis and benchmarking costs, performance, assets etc, what other processes are likely to be required to inform the review? (e.g. site visits; observations; face-to-face questioning, telephones survey, written questionnaire, cooption of expert witnesses etc).

Detailed financial analysis of youth service budgets including identification of additional time limited funding.

Detailed mapping of universal youth service provision including usage, activities catchment, population, transport, socio economic factors (alongside information on wider service provision).

Examine links with EIT review on rationalisation of buildings and assets.

Site Visits to Youth Clubs/activities currently provided in the 24 settings ad some targeted provision.

Site Visits to other Council provision.

Views of all Members to be obtained and analysed on an ISA basis.

5. How will key partners and/or the public be involved and at what stages?

Consultation with young people to plug any "gaps" in consultation feedback received to date.

On Line survey widely publicised running 1 June – 2 July 2010.

Qualitative discussion of survey results including youth viewpoint and survey respondents.

6. Please give an initial indication how transformation will enable efficiencies and improvements to be delivered by this EIT review?

Possible outcomes will include:

- Identification of resources to deliver myplace
- Rationalisation of buildings and other assets
- Rationalisation of provision
- Identification of gaps in service and recommendations for addressing these
- Proposals on levels of service to be provided
- Alternative delivery models (including the third sector)