

Children and Young Select Committee
Review of Youth Services
Outline Scope

Scrutiny Chair (Project Director):
Councillor Carol Clark
Scrutiny Officer (Project Manager):
Judy Trainer
Link Officer:
Julie Nixon
Finance Link Officer:
Graham Waller
Which of our strategic corporate objectives does this topic address?
Council Plan Objective – Supporting young people to make a successful transition into adulthood
What are the main issues and overall aim of this review?
How should we remodel the service in order to focus on early help and prevention. How do we best utilise significantly reduced resources to provide effective interventions to support those children and young people most in need.
The Committee will undertake the following key lines of enquiry:
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• What is the national context with this review?• How are other Local Authorities delivering services/what are the different delivery models?• How do we maximise the capacity of key workers?• How do we maximise interventions?• What is the customer journey?• Are the various support programmes joined up? How do they link?• What do children and young people think about the services provided?• How can we best utilise support from the voluntary and community sector?• How do we continue to provide good services targeting resources to those most in need?• What are the key measures of success?
Who will the Committee be trying to influence as part of its work?
Council Services and Commissioned Services, Voluntary and Community Sector
Expected duration of review and key milestones:
6 months

What information do we need?

Existing information (background information, existing reports, legislation, central government documents, etc.):

Legislative requirements, information on how services are currently delivered (staff structures, aims and objectives of current teams), early information coming from Taylor Report

New information:

Publication of Taylor report, emerging good practice nationally, how this service fits in with the Council's overall vision for children and young peoples services.

Who can provide us with further relevant evidence? (Cabinet Member, officer, service user, general public, expert witness, etc.)

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Young People

What specific areas do we want them to cover?

Different delivery models
National Perspective

Approach to Early Help and Prevention

Determining the value of specific services

How will this information be gathered? (eg. financial baselining and analysis, benchmarking, site visits, face-to-face questioning, telephone survey, survey)

Committee Meeting discussion/ interviews

Case Studies

Survey views of young people

Survey views of staff

How will key partners and the public be involved in the review?

Key partners will be invited to contribute as outlined above.

How will the review help the Council meet the Public Sector Equality Duty?

The review will seek to ensure that there is no disadvantage to relevant services for protected groups.

How will the review contribute towards the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment, or the implementation of the Health and Wellbeing Strategy?

The work is relevant to the Strategy vision, particularly in relation to 'create and develop healthy and sustainable places and communities'.

Provide an initial view as to how this review could lead to efficiencies, improvements and/or transformation:

The review needs to address the model of service delivery moving forward which in turn needs to be delivered within significantly reduced resources.

Project Plan

Key Task	Details/Activities	Date	Responsibility
Scoping of Review	Information gathering	March/ April 16	Link Officer Scrutiny Officer
Tri-Partite Meeting	Meeting to discuss aims and objectives of review	30 March 2016	Select Committee Chair and Vice Chair, Cabinet Member(s), Corporate Director(s), Scrutiny Officer, Link Officer
Agree Draft Scope and Project Plan	Scope and Project Plan agreed by Committee	20 April 2016	Select Committee
Publicity of Review	Determine whether Communications Plan needed	N/A	Link Officer, Scrutiny Officer
Obtaining Evidence		20 April 2016 29 June 2016	Select Committee
Members decide recommendations and findings	Review summary of findings and formulate draft recommendations	13 July 2016	Select Committee
Circulate Draft Report to Stakeholders	Circulation of Report	July 2016	Scrutiny Officer
Tri-Partite Meeting	Meeting to discuss findings of review and draft recommendations	18 July 2016	Select Committee Chair and Vice Chair, Cabinet Member(s), Corporate Director(s), Scrutiny Officer, Link Officer
Final Agreement of Report	Approval of final report by Committee	21 September 2016	Select Committee, Cabinet Member, Corporate Director
Consideration of Report by Executive Scrutiny Committee	Consideration of report	27 September 2016	Executive Scrutiny Committee
Report to Cabinet/Approving Body	Presentation of final report with recommendations for approval to Cabinet	6 October 2016	Cabinet/ Approving Body