Children and Young People Select Committee

Update to Executive Scrutiny Committee – 18 December 2012

Update on Progress (including issues/problems/successes)

Scrutiny Review – Quality of Childcare

The Committee met on 21 November and held a round table discussion with representatives from local childcare providers, including private nurseries and school nurseries. Areas for discussion were circulated prior to the meeting, which included:

- How to ensure providers engage with Journey to Outstanding,
- Do providers feel they get enough support for safeguarding,
- Relationships between settings,
- Two year old places.

The importance of networks and peer support to improve the quality of childcare, increase engagement, and improve outcomes for children, was raised by the settings.

Members will receive a summary of all the evidence they have gathered during the review at their next meeting on 19 December, and will begin to formulate recommendations.

The review is scheduled to report to Cabinet in February 2012.