

## Children and Young People Select Committee Chair's Update

Scrutiny Review – School Organisation and Admission Arrangements (Phase 2)	
<b>Achieved since last meeting</b>	Final information gathering sessions were held with parents at children's centres and schools.  The Committee received a summary of evidence and formulated draft recommendations at its January meetings and approved its final report on 17 February 2016.
<b>Problems or concerns</b>	None
<b>Planned next month</b>	The Chair will be presenting the report to Cabinet on 17 March 2016.
<b>On track – yes / no</b>	Yes

Scrutiny Review – Stockton Local Safeguarding Children Board	
<b>Achieved since last meeting</b>	At its last meeting on 17 February, the Committee received an introductory presentation from Martin Gray and received evidence from Colin Morris Independent outgoing Chair of the Board on his view of the effectiveness of the Board.
<b>Problems or concerns</b>	None
<b>Planned next month</b>	The Committee will be receiving evidence from the Chief Executive, Cabinet Member and key partner agencies represented on the Board.
<b>On track – yes / no</b>	Yes

Overview / Performance and Quality Assurance	
<b>Key Issues / Problems or concerns</b>	<p><b>Meeting with Managers of Children's Homes in the Borough</b> The Committee held a special meeting on 9 February with managers of all eight of the children's homes in the Borough. The Committee received a copy of the latest Ofsted inspection reports and received a brief presentation from each manager. Following each presentation, Members asked for clarification on various issues. The Committee were reassured at the quality of the homes by the inspections report and after speaking with managers and managers attending also seemed to appreciate the interest from the Committee.</p> <p><b>Visits to Frontline Services</b> These have continued with the next round of visits scheduled January to March 2016. Members have found the visits informative and these are also being well received by staff. A</p>

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	<p>record of the visits is being reported to each Select Committee meeting.</p> <p><b>Quarter 3 Performance Report</b> At its meeting on 17 February, the Committee received the performance report for quarter 3. Questioning from Members focused on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Complaints</li><li>- Performance of Secondary Schools</li><li>- Staffing pressures in social care</li></ul>
<b>Problems or concerns</b>	None
<b>Requests for more information</b>	<p><b>Visits to Frontline Services</b> Committee Members asked for feedback from the Director of Children's Services on Members' reports from visits and recommendations.</p>

### Monitoring

There have been no monitoring updates to the Select Committee since the last meeting.