

## Children and Young People Select Committee Chair's Update March 2021

Scrutiny Review – Care Leavers EET	
<b>Achieved since last meeting</b>	<p>The Select Committee has approved a scope and project plan for this review.</p> <p>Although outcomes for young people in Stockton were in line with national averages, the review would examine whether the Council was doing enough and what more needed to be done to further improve performance and outcomes for young people.</p> <p>The first evidence gathering session was held in December setting some background and context to the review. The January meeting focused on Council roles and the March meeting will be focusing on employment including apprenticeships.</p>
<b>Problems or concerns</b>	None
<b>Planned next month</b>	Third evidence session focusing on employment.
<b>On track – yes / no</b>	The review will report to Cabinet in July 2021.

Overview / Performance and Quality Assurance	
<b>Key Issues / Problems or concerns</b>	<p>The Select Committee received the annual Overview Report and the CYP Performance Update Report in February 2021.</p> <p>Members' and Officer discussions on the reports included exclusion rates, improvements made following the 2019 inspection, support for staff during the pandemic, and children in care who resided outside of the Borough.</p> <p>Members commended Children's Services staff for their work during the ongoing pandemic.</p> <p>The Committee supported Child Poverty as a future review topic.</p>
<b>Problems or concerns</b>	None
<b>Requests for more information</b>	None.

Monitoring	
<b>Key Issues / Problems or concerns</b>	<p>An action plan for the Scrutiny Review of School Uniform was presented to the Select Committee in January.</p> <p>To raise awareness of the report and recommendation, as well as circulating to all Academy Trusts and Head Teachers, the findings are being shared at Governors Sessions, Closing the Gap Session</p>

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	and Primary and Secondary Heads meetings.  Discussions surrounding a potential second-hand uniform shop based in central Stockton are currently taking place.
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<b>Next Meeting</b>
17 March 2021 5pm 21 April 2021 5pm