

Children and Young People Select Committee Chair's Update May 2021

Scrutiny Review – Care Leavers EET	
Achieved since last meeting	<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>April's Committee meeting focussed on opportunities to assist young people into employment, education, or training. Evidence was received from 1625 Independent People, a voluntary sector organisation, on their 'Reboot West' programme. Evidence was also received from North Yorkshire County Council on the role of Opportunity Brokers. SBC officers also presented on the EET clinic and data on the current NEET cohort.</p>
Problems or concerns	None
Planned next month	May's meeting will be held informally to review the summary of evidence.
On track – yes / no	The review will report to Cabinet in July 2021.

Overview / Performance and Quality Assurance	
Key Issues / Problems or concerns	<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>
Problems or concerns	None
Requests for more information	None.

Monitoring	
Key Issues / Problems or concerns	<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</p>

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	<p>circulating to all Academy Trusts and Head Teachers, the findings are being shared at Governors Sessions, Closing the Gap Session and Primary and Secondary Heads meetings.</p> <p>Discussions surrounding a potential second-hand uniform shop based in central Stockton are currently taking place. After several meetings and a site visit, this option has been deemed not viable and alternative options are currently being explored.</p>
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Next Meeting

19 May 2021 - 5.00pm
