

SCRUTINY ADVISORY BOARD – CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE

Meeting date: 16 September 2018

From: Executive Director Corporate Customer and Community Services

Board Briefing

1.0 Purpose of Report

- 1.1 To provide the Board an update of Board activity, and to notify the Board of items for the next Board meeting and any children's related Cabinet decisions on the Forward Plan.

2.0 Issues for Scrutiny

- 2.1 To note the content of the report.
- 2.2 To agree the recommendations arising from the private meeting on the Youth Justice Strategy.
- 2.3 To agree for a Board update in spring 2019 providing an update on progress.
- 2.4 To agree that recommendations for the private meeting on School's Admissions consultation be included in the Board Briefing for December.
- 2.5 To agree to convene a private meeting to review the content of the Self-Assessment for the SEND Local Inspection.

3.0 Background

- 3.1 In July Board Members were invited to a presentation on the Youth Justice Strategy. The session was attended by Councillors Val Tarbitt and Roger Bingham and enabled pre-scrutiny of the strategy prior to going to Council. Members were assured of the positive developments in the delivery of the service and have made a number of recommendations came out of the discussion which the Board has been asked to agree:
 - 1. Seek further information on how rurality is addressed with young offenders.
 - 2. Seek further information on how the service engages the extended family of the young offender.

3. On the Police and Criminal Evidence Act (PACE) bed. How will this work in south Cumbria that is furthest from the beds?

4. Mental health and early warning. Seek further information on the Strengthening Family practitioners and how this works?

5. The YOS programme to link into the national Community Alcohol Programme that is setting up a project in north Cumbria to prevent sale of alcohol to underage customers.

6. The foster carer campaign to include work on attracting foster carers who would be willing to work with young offenders.

3.2 The following agenda items are identified for the December Board:

- Children Improvement Plan (Update from Executive Director People)
- Children and Young People's Plan (consultation with Scrutiny on the development of the refreshed CYPP for 2019)
- School Attainment (Presentation by Assistant Director Education and Skills)
- Growing Up in Cumbria Report (Presentation and report by Barnardos on survey of views of 8-12 year olds on growing up in the county).

3.3 The following items are on the Cabinet Forward Plan that are relevant to the Board:

ITEM	CABINET
Equality Action Plan (2018-2019)	18/10/18
Proposed Amalgamation of Maryport Infant and Maryport CE Junior School to form a single CE primary school to circulate virtually	18/10/18
Corporate Parenting Strategy	20/12/18

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Appendices

No appendices

Previous Relevant Council or Executive Decisions *[including Local Committees]*

Annual scrutiny engagement in agreement of the Youth Offending Strategy.

Background Papers

No background papers.

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