

Mayor and Cabinet		
Title	Comments of the Children and Young People Select Committee on the Ofsted Action Plan Report.	
Contributor	Children and Young People Select Committee	Item
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1. Summary

- 1.1 This report informs the Mayor and Cabinet of the comments and views of the Children and Young People Select Committee, arising from discussions held on the Ofsted Action Plan report, considered at its meeting on 1 March 2016.

2. Recommendation

- 2.1 Mayor and Cabinet is recommended to consider the views of the Children and Young People Select Committee as set out in this report and request a response from the Executive Director for Customer Services

3. Children and Young People Select Committee's views

- 3.1 On 1 March 2016, the Children and Young People Select Committee considered a report entitled Ofsted Action Plan.

- 3.2 The Committee resolved to advise Mayor and Cabinet of the following:

- Improved IT capabilities and up to date software is essential in delivering the Council's Ofsted action plan. In particular, in response to recommendation 9 in the Ofsted Report; the Action Plan states the following outcomes as being needed:
 - A stable IT platform, allowing upgrade to the latest version of the "Integrated Children's System".
 - An IT system in place to meet needs of Children's Social Care staff to improve efficiency and effectiveness.
 - A digital strategy with clear achievable and measurable aims/objectives for Children's Social Care including delivery schedules.

- 3.3 The Select Committee therefore recommends that:

- Improving the IT system and software for Children's Social Care is prioritised.
- The strategic importance of the Children Social Care service is noted and the timetable for implementation be outlined and guaranteed as soon as possible.

4. Financial implications

- 4.1 There are no financial implications arising out of this report per se; but there may be financial implications arising from carrying out the action proposed by the Committee.

5. Legal implications

- 5.1 The Constitution provides for Select Committees to refer reports to the Mayor and Cabinet, who are obliged to consider the report and the proposed response from the relevant Executive Director; and report back to the Committee within two months (not including recess).

6. Further implications

- 6.1 At this stage there are no specific environmental, equalities or crime and disorder implications to consider. However, there may be implications arising from the implementation of the Committee's recommendations.

Background papers

Report to Children and Young People Select Committee, 1 March 2016, [Item 4: Ofsted Action Plan](#)

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