

Children and Young People Select Committee			
Title	Select Committee work programme		
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Class	Part 1 (Open)	24 January 2019	

1. Purpose

To advise Committee members of the work programme for the 2018/19 municipal year, and to decide on the agenda items for the next meeting.

2. Summary

- 2.1 At the beginning of the new administration, each select committee drew up a draft work programme. The Overview and Scrutiny Business Panel agreed a co-ordinated work programme. The work programme for each individual committee can be reviewed at each Select Committee meeting so that Members are able to include urgent, high priority items and remove items that are no longer a priority.

3. Recommendations

- 3.1 The Committee is asked to:

- note the work plan attached at **Appendix B** and discuss any issues arising from the programme;
- specify the information and analysis required in the report for each item on the agenda for the next meeting, based on desired outcomes, so that officers are clear on what they need to provide;
- review all forthcoming key decisions, attached at **Appendix C**, and consider any items for further scrutiny
- Note the revision to the in-depth review timetable outlined in section 6 of this report.

4. The work programme

- 4.1 The work programme for 2018/19 was agreed at the Committee's meeting on 28 June 2018.
- 4.2 The Committee is asked to consider if any urgent issues have arisen that require scrutiny and if any existing items are no longer a priority and can be removed from the work programme. Before adding additional items, each item should be considered against agreed criteria.
- 4.3 The flow chart attached at **Appendix A** may help Members decide if proposed additional items should be added to the work programme. The Committee's work programme needs to be achievable in terms of the amount of meeting time available. If the committee agrees to add additional item(s) because they are urgent

and high priority, Members will need to consider which medium/low priority item(s) should be removed in order to create sufficient capacity for the new item(s).

5. The next meeting

5.1 The following reports are scheduled for the meeting on 13 March 2019:

Agenda item	Review type	Link to Corporate Priority	Priority
In-depth review - school exclusions – 3 rd evidence session	Performance Monitoring		CP2
Recruitment and retention of school staff - 6 month update	Performance Monitoring		CP2
Corporate Parenting and LAC Annual Report	Performance Monitoring		CP2&7
Children's Social Care Sufficiency Strategy	Performance monitoring		CP2&7
Annual Schools Standards Report 2017/18 (primary and secondary), including update on Secondary Challenge	Performance Monitoring		CP2
Primary SATS results and validated secondary results	Performance Monitoring		CP2

5.2 The Committee is asked to specify the information and analysis it would like to see in the reports for these items, based on the outcomes the committee would like to achieve, so that officers are clear on what they need to provide for the next meeting.

6. Financial Implications

There are no financial implications arising from this report.

7. Legal Implications

In accordance with the Council's Constitution, all scrutiny select committees must devise and submit a work programme to the Business Panel at the start of each municipal year.

8. Equalities Implications

- 8.1 The Equality Act 2010 brought together all previous equality legislation in England, Scotland and Wales. The Act included a new public sector equality duty, replacing the separate duties relating to race, disability and gender equality. The duty came into force on 6 April 2011. It covers the following nine protected characteristics: age, disability, gender reassignment, marriage and civil partnership, pregnancy and maternity, race, religion or belief, sex and sexual orientation.
- 8.2 The Council must, in the exercise of its functions, have due regard to the need to:
- eliminate unlawful discrimination, harassment and victimisation and other conduct prohibited by the Act
 - advance equality of opportunity between people who share a protected characteristic and those who do not.
 - foster good relations between people who share a protected characteristic and those who do not.
- 8.3 There may be equalities implications arising from items on the work programme and all activities undertaken by the Select Committee will need to give due consideration to this.

9. Date of next meeting

- 9.1 The date of the next meeting is Thursday 13 March 2019.

Background Documents

Lewisham Council's Constitution

Centre for Public Scrutiny: the Good Scrutiny Guide

Scrutiny work programme – prioritisation process

