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Notice of Meeting

Dear Member

Children's Scrutiny Panel

The **Children's Scrutiny Panel** will meet in the **Council Chamber - Town Hall, Huddersfield** at **2.00 pm** on **Monday 23 January 2023**.

This meeting will be webcast live and will be available to view via the Council's website.

The items which will be discussed are described in the agenda and there are reports attached which give more details.

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Julie Muscroft

Service Director – Legal, Governance and Commissioning

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The Children's Scrutiny Panel members are:-

Member

Councillor Andrew Marchington
(Chair)

Councillor Ammar Anwar

Councillor Elizabeth Reynolds

Councillor James Homewood

Councillor Richard Smith

Councillor Paul White

Oliver Gibson (Co-Optee)

Toni Bromley (Co-Optee)

Agenda

Reports or Explanatory Notes Attached

Pages

1: Membership of the Committee

To receive apologies for absence from those Members who are unable to attend the meeting.

That the Panel note the resignation of Graeme Sunderland, Voluntary Co-optee, who recently resigned from the role.

2: Minutes of the Previous Meeting

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To approve the Minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on the 31st October 2022.

3: Interests

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The Councillors will be asked to say if there are any items on the Agenda in which they have disclosable pecuniary interests, which would prevent them from participating in any discussion of the items or participating in any vote upon the items, or any other interests.

4: Admission of the Public

Most debates take place in public. This only changes when there is a need to consider certain issues, for instance, commercially sensitive information or details concerning an individual. You will be told at this point whether there are any items on the Agenda which are to be discussed in private.

5: Deputations/Petitions

The Committee will receive any petitions and hear any deputations from members of the public. A deputation is where up to five people can attend the meeting and make a presentation on some particular

issue of concern. A member of the public can also hand in a petition at the meeting but that petition should relate to something on which the body has powers and responsibilities.

In accordance with Council Procedure Rule 10 (2), Members of the Public should provide at least 24 hours' notice of presenting a deputation.

6: Public Question Time

The Board will hear any questions from the general public.

7: Performance Data (Children's Services) - update on highlights

The Panel will consider a verbal update on the performance highlights from the latest Children's Services data report.

Contact: Jo-Anne Sanders, Service Director
Elaine McShane, Service Director
Tom Brailsford, Service Director

8: Budget process - Children's Services

The Panel will consider a verbal update on the Budget Process for Children's Services.

Contact: Mel Meggs, Director of Children's Services

9: Pre-decision Scrutiny - Cabinet decisions on the horizon

The Panel will consider any potential areas of pre-decision scrutiny in accordance with any cabinet decisions relating to children and young people which are on the horizon and receive updates from Senior Officers in Children's Services.

Contact: Jo-Anne Sanders, Service Director
Tom Brailsford, Service Director
Elaine McShane, Service Director

10: Feedback from Panel Members on issues considered by Corporate Parenting Board

Panel Members who attend the Corporate Parenting Board, will feedback on key areas of focus considered by the Board, which will be of interest to the Panel.

11: Children's Scrutiny Panel Work Programme 2022-23

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The Panel will consider the proposed areas of focus and activity for the 2022/23 municipal year and discuss the method and means to be used to continue the Panel's work going forward.

Contact: Helen Kilroy, Assistant Democracy Manager

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Contact Officer: Helen Kilroy

KIRKLEES COUNCIL

CHILDREN'S SCRUTINY PANEL

Monday 31st October 2022

Present: Councillor Andrew Marchington (Chair)
Councillor Elizabeth Reynolds
Councillor James Homewood
Councillor Paul White

In attendance: Tom Brailsford, Service Director (Resources, Improvement and Partnerships)
Jo-Anne Sanders, Service Director - Learning & Early Support
Elaine McShane, Service Director - Family Support and Child Protection
Ian Mottershaw, Head of Contextual Safeguarding and Youth Engagement Services
Councillor Carole Pattison
Councillor Viv Kendrick

Apologies: Councillor Richard Smith
Graeme Sunderland (Co-optee)
Toni Bromley (Co-optee)

1 Membership of the Committee

Apologies were received from Councillor Richard Smith, Toni Bromley and Graeme Sunderland.

2 Minutes of the Previous Meeting

That the minutes of the meeting held on the 6th September 2022 be approved as a correct record.

3 Interests

No interests were declared.

4 Admission of the Public

All items were considered in public session.

5 Deputations/Petitions

No deputations or petitions were received.

6 Public Question Time

No questions were received from members of the public.

7 Outcomes of the Joint Area Targeted multi-agency Inspection

The Panel received a report on the Joint Area Targeted multi-agency Inspection which was presented by Ian Mottershaw, Head of Contextual Safeguarding and Youth Engagement Services and Elaine McShane, Service Director – Family Support and Child Protection.

Ian Mottershaw advised the Panel that the inspection took place from 27 June 2022 to 1 July 2022 and was carried out by inspectors from Ofsted, the Care Quality Commission and Her Majesty's inspectorate of Constabulary and Fire Rescue Services. The outcomes of the inspection were provided by letter which summarised the headline findings and what needed to be improved. The Headline findings were, that partners at a strategic level enabled a well-embedded practice approach that supported professionals to work well together. Children in Kirklees who were at risk of, or experiencing, criminal exploitation had their needs identified quickly and received multi-agency support to manage and reduce risk to them effectively. What needed to be improved were:

- The recording of the work and decision-making of the Kirklees Safeguarding Children Partnership. (KSCP)
- The training offer from the KSCP to ensure that it provided relevant, localised multi-agency training focused on child criminal exploitation.
- The exercise of professional curiosity from some health practitioners, including GPs and emergency department staff.
- Contingency planning for children in care who were not able to return to their birth families.

The letter from Ofsted explained that the inspectors found that Kirklees safeguarding children's partners had significant knowledge of the local area and demand, practice with their agencies and the experiences of children. Partners had strong aspiration, willingness, and motivation to reduce risks of criminal exploitation for children in Kirklees. Mature relationships within the KSCP enabled partners to challenge each other effectively. This demonstrated the well-established respect for, and equity of, partners views.

Elaine McShane advised the Panel that although the inspection was focussed on exploitation, it clearly demonstrated partnership working across different areas and how services pulled together compared to 4 years ago.

The Panel noted that the inspectors had determined that Kirklees Council was the principal authority and should prepare a written statement of proposed actions responding to the findings outlined in the letter. The statement of action was to be a multi-agency response involving the individuals and agencies that the report was addressed to and received by 25 November 2022.

The Panel acknowledged the "What needs to improve" and commented that the report contradicted itself regarding the training which was provided to staff in all partner agencies, health practitioners and social workers.

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The Panel noted that Health IT systems did not consistently identify children at risk of exploitation through the use of 'flags' and asked if that had now been introduced. Ian Mottershaw advised that health colleagues had confirmed flags had been introduced and that Health Practitioners were able to identify risks.

The Panel commented on issues around children exploited criminally and asked a question regarding current issues locally, and if the interventions worked. Ian Mottershaw advised that the letter was viewed as an endorsement that the KSCP was doing the right things and on the right journey. Elaine McShane advised that if someone was criminalised, the system was to provide support to ensure that they were not criminalised again by drawing them away from extreme situations.

RESOLVED:

- (i) That the report be noted,
- (ii) That staff and partners are thanked for the hard work they undertake.

8 Pre-decision Scrutiny - Cabinet decisions on the horizon

Councillor Marchington advised that Scrutiny's involvement with the SEND Transformation plan was ongoing.

Jo-Anne Sanders, Service Director – Learning and Early Support explained that coming forward by the end of 2022 would be a report for decision by Cabinet regarding SEND transformation to recommission alternative provision.

RESOLVED:

The Panel noted the potential item for pre-decision scrutiny on SEND transformation to recommission alternative provision that would be considered by Cabinet by the end of 2022 and asked that they be given an opportunity to comment on the report prior to the decision being taken by Cabinet.

9 Feedback from Panel Members on issues considered by Corporate Parenting Board

Councillor Marchington advised the Panel that Corporate Parenting Board last met on 27 September 2022. At the meeting the performance management data was presented in a new way, the Board agreed that the data could be presented quarterly. It was agreed by the Panel that they were also happy to receive the data quarterly.

Councillor Marchington informed the Panel that the number of looked after children had reduced and that ethnicity of children was looked at within the report.

There was an update from the children's ambition board, where Educational Health and Care Plans were discussed. Parents often thought that once an Educational Health and Care Plan had been issued, that it would unlock support and that was not always the case.

There was an update on looked after children who were leaving care, what support was available for them and that aspirations were high, and achievements awarded.

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RESOLVED:

- (i) The Panel noted the updates given regarding matters considered by the Corporate Parenting Board in September,
- (ii) That the Panel consider the performance management data on a quarterly basis going forward.

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Children's Scrutiny Panel Work Programme 2022-23

The Panel considered the work programme for the 2022-23 municipal year.

Councillor Marchington advised that no major changes had been made to the work programme since the last Panel meeting in September 2022. The Panel had visited the Dewsbury Children's Social Care Team cluster and met with Social Workers. Councillor Marchington reminded the Panel of visits that were scheduled and asked Panel Members to contact the Governance Officers for details of the visit if they would like to attend.

Councillor Marchington advised the Panel of the social visit arranged for Parent/Carers of Children with additional needs (PCAN) on Thursday 3rd November 2022 at the Zone, Huddersfield and welcomed Panel members to join him.

RESOLVED:

- (i) The Panel noted the Work Programme and agenda plan for 2022-23.
- (ii) That Panel Members contact the Governance Officers if they wish to attend any of the scheduled visits which will take place during the 2022-23 municipal year.

KIRKLEES COUNCIL			
COUNCIL/CABINET/COMMITTEE MEETINGS ETC			
DECLARATION OF INTERESTS			
Childrens Scrutiny Panel			
Name of Councillor			
Item in which you have an interest	Type of interest (eg a disclosable pecuniary interest or an "Other Interest")	Does the nature of the interest require you to withdraw from the meeting while the item in which you have an interest is under consideration? [Y/N]	Brief description of your interest

Signed: Dated:

NOTES

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If you have any of the following pecuniary interests, they are your disclosable pecuniary interests under the new national rules. Any reference to spouse or civil partner includes any person with whom you are living as husband or wife, or as if they were your civil partner.

Any employment, office, trade, profession or vocation carried on for profit or gain, which you, or your spouse or civil partner, undertakes.

Any payment or provision of any other financial benefit (other than from your council or authority) made or provided within the relevant period in respect of any expenses incurred by you in carrying out duties as a member, or towards your election expenses.

Any contract which is made between you, or your spouse or your civil partner (or a body in which you, or your spouse or your civil partner, has a beneficial interest) and your council or authority -

- under which goods or services are to be provided or works are to be executed; and
- which has not been fully discharged.

Any beneficial interest in land which you, or your spouse or your civil partner, have and which is within the area of your council or authority.

Any licence (alone or jointly with others) which you, or your spouse or your civil partner, holds to occupy land in the area of your council or authority for a month or longer.

Any tenancy where (to your knowledge) - the landlord is your council or authority; and the tenant is a body in which you, or your spouse or your civil partner, has a beneficial interest.

Any beneficial interest which you, or your spouse or your civil partner has in securities of a body where -

- (a) that body (to your knowledge) has a place of business or land in the area of your council or authority; and
- (b) either -

the total nominal value of the securities exceeds £25,000 or one hundredth of the total issued share capital of that body; or

if the share capital of that body is of more than one class, the total nominal value of the shares of any one class in which you, or your spouse or your civil partner, has a beneficial interest exceeds one hundredth of the total issued share capital of that class.

CHILDREN’S SCRUTINY PANEL – WORK PROGRAMME 2022/23

MEMBERS: Cllr Andrew Marchington (Chair), Cllr James Homewood, Cllr Ammar Anwar, Cllr Elizabeth Reynolds, Cllr Richard Smith, Cllr Paul White, Toni Bromley (Co-Optee), Graeme Sunderland (Co-Optee) and Oliver Gibson (Co-Optee)

SUPPORT: Helen Kilroy, Assistant Democracy Manager and Nicola Sylvester, Democracy Officer

FULL PANEL DISCUSSION		
Issue	Approach/Areas of Focus	Timescales and comments
<p><u>Standard items (every meeting)</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pre-decision scrutiny (decisions by Cabinet) • Performance Information (Children’s Service) – Informal meeting • Feedback from Panel Members on issues considered by Corporate Parenting Board • Ambition Board Minutes Informal meeting 	<p>Panel to check at each meeting if there are any potential areas of pre-decision scrutiny they need to consider at future meetings. (Leads: Cabinet Members/Senior Officers (Children’s Service))</p> <p>The Panel will consider performance slides from the Ambition Board and/or the Quality Assurance Board and monitor the performance of the Learning Early Support Service and Child Protection & Family Support in the Informal meetings. Members of the Panel who attend the Corporate Parenting Board will ask questions through the Chair of the Board in relation to looked after children performance information and report back on any issues to the Children’s Scrutiny Panel.</p> <p>Members of the Panel who attend the Corporate Parenting Board will feedback on any other key issues to the Scrutiny Panel as appropriate. (Leads: Service Directors (Children’s Service))</p> <p>The Panel will receive for information the minutes from the Ambition Board meetings which are held quarterly. (Leads: Senior Officers (Children’s Service) and Cabinet Members)</p>	<p>Every meeting</p> <p>Every meeting</p> <p>Every meeting</p> <p>Quarterly</p>

<p>Review of the Improvement Journey</p>	<p>(Leads: Mel Meggs/Service Directors)</p> <p>The Panel will continue to review the Improvement Journey of Children’s Services until they have achieved an ‘outstanding’ Ofsted rating, including receiving regular progress updates from the Children’s Service on how this is being achieved. The Panel will consider how the Council is formulating its approach, what data is being looked at and how Officers and Cabinet Members are responding.</p> <p>Panel meeting on 31st October 2022 The Panel will receive an update on the outcomes of the Joint Area Targeted multi-agency Inspection at the meeting on the 31st October (Lead: Elaine McShane)</p> <p>Visits</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Children’s Social Care Team (Dewsbury) on 14th October 2022 The Panel visited Team Managers, Social Workers and Business Support staff at the Children’s Social Care Team at Empire House, Dewsbury. The Panel met with staff in their ‘huddle’ meeting and spoke informally about issues relating to data collection, caseloads and staff vacancies, working environments, management support and training and development for staff. The team expressed that although there were vacancies, they felt well supported by their managers and other teams. - Children’s Social Care Team (The Valleys – Slaithwaite) and Children with Disabilities Team on the 13th December 2022 The Panel met with Team Managers and asked questions around data collection, partnership working, the voice of the child, good practice, delivery of quality service and future development and supervision of staff. The Connected Persons Team had transferred to the Valleys in July 2022 which included special guardianship or foster carers who wanted to become special guardians. Approximately 500 children were not in care as a result of special guardianship orders. The Panel had a brief tour of the offices and spoke to some members of the team. 	<p>Panel 31st October 22</p>
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<p>Independent Review of Children’s Social Care – white paper</p>	<p>(Leads: Mel Meggs and Service Directors)</p> <p>The Panel will consider how the Council is addressing the implications of the Care Reform white paper and the outcome of the Government’s response, which is expected in January 2023.</p> <p>The Panel noted that the Care Reform Report on Children’s Social Care was broken down into 8 key areas, as follows:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Reset Children’s Social Care - A revolution in family help - A just and decisive child protection system - Unlocking the potential of family networks - Transforming care - The care experience - Realising the potential of the workforce - A system that is relentlessly focussed on children and families - Implementation <p><u>Panel meeting on 23rd March 2023</u></p> <p>The Panel will consider an update on Children’s Services Reforms.</p>	<p>High priority –to be confirmed</p> <p>March 2023</p>
<p>Educational and learning Outcomes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Kirklees future commission Learning Strategy 	<p>(Leads: Jo-Anne Sanders/Chris Jessup/Narinder Kaur)</p> <p>The Panel will scrutinise/consider–</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The impact and effect of ethnicity, gender and socio-economic factors on educational outcomes. - Closing the attainment gap which the Panel were informed would be a priority in the Strategy; - The Panel understand that the Learning strategy will be focusing on early years groups and want to explore what difference this will make; - Updates on the development of the Kirklees Council Education Futures and the proposed approach and timeline; - Relationships with Academies and Multi-Academy Trusts, eg admission policies, number of school places available and how impacting maintained schools nearby. 	

Learning Strategy

That a representation from the Panel be invited to attend the Launch of the Kirklees Futures Event on the 23rd June 2022 and other relevant partnership meetings.

Panel meeting on 12th July 2022

The Panel received a verbal update on the Educational Outcomes and the Implementation Plan, which will be finalised with priorities ready for the start of the new academic year in September 2022. The Panel agreed the following:-

- That the Panel are given the opportunity to contribute to the restructuring and reshaping of the Education and Learning Partnership Board ;
- That the Panel receive future updates on how the Learning Service and Cabinet Members are scrutinising the educational outcomes;
- That the Panel consider future information on longitudinal educational outcomes for the next 5 to 10 years, including 16+ and beyond;
- That the Panel receive a copy for information of the Educational Outcomes report scheduled for consideration by Cabinet on the 26th July 2022.

Informal Panel meeting on 6th September 2022

The Panel agreed to receive information on the attainment analysis which has been carried out on all key stages and in particular relating to the definition on the equality gap. The Panel also agreed to focus on the impact and affect of ethnicity, gender and socio-economic factors on educational outcomes.

Informal Panel meeting on 31st October 2022

The Panel considered an update on Educational Outcomes and GCSE exam results.

Visit to Educational Outcomes Committee on 10th January 2023

Members of the Panel attended and observed a meeting of the Educational Outcomes Committee on the 10th January 2023.

<p>Sufficiency for Children’s Service (places/staffing resources)</p>	<p>(Leads: Mel Meggs and Service Directors)</p> <p>The Panel will consider future updates on the social worker vacancies and staff shortages within the Children’s Social Care Service and the approaches being taken by the service to bring Social Workers back into the workforce, eg retention packages. The Panel will also monitor this during visits to the Social Care Teams.</p>	
<p>Changes to Young People’s Activity Team (YPAT) provision</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Provides after school activities for C&YP with the most complex disabilities and needs 	<p>(Lead: Tom Brailsford/Sara Miles)</p> <p>The Panel will consider the changes to YPAT Provision and youth development and receive future updates on what is happening in local wards in terms of after school activities – planned for September 2022.</p> <p>Panel meeting on 6th September 2022</p> <p>The Panel considered a report which gave an update on the ongoing changes to the Young Peoples Activity Team (YPAT) provision as part of the ongoing SEND Transformation Programme and the ongoing development of the Short Breaks Offer. The Panel agreed to arrange a visit to the new premises at the Children’s Place Nursery, Netherfield Road, Ravensthorpe when fully operational.</p>	<p>Panel 6th Sept 22</p>
<p>Partnership Arrangements</p>	<p>(Leads: Elaine McShane/Jo-Anne Sanders/Tom Brailsford)</p> <p>The Panel will continue to scrutinise partnerships and boards during the 2021/22 municipal year, for example, Corporate Parenting Board and Health and Wellbeing Board, visits to internal teams and partners and the Panel will look at how data was collected and used to improve outcomes. The Panel will be represented at meetings, events and visits to internal teams and external providers and focus on the following areas:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Data collection • Partnership working • Is the voice of the young person being heard? (as below) • Good practice • Delivery of quality service 	

<p>Voice of the Child</p>	<p>(Leads: Mel Meggs/Jo-Anne Sanders/Elaine McShane/Tom Brailsford)</p> <p>The Panel agreed to keep a watching brief on all areas of scrutiny by the Panel and explore whether the voice of the child was being heard and lessons have been learned.</p>	
<p>Special Educational Needs and High Needs</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Feedback from PCAN/parents on SENDACT - Outcome of SEND Inspection and Transformation Plan 	<p>(Leads: Tom Brailsford/Kelsey Clark-Davies/Paul Harris/Christine Bennett)</p> <p>Feedback from parents via PCAN</p> <p>The Panel met with parents on the 8th and 14th September 2022 at PCAN Social drop-in sessions to follow up the work of the Adhoc Panel on the report on ‘SENDACT– the parent’s perspective’ which was approved by Cabinet in March 2019. The Panel members who attended the visits sought feedback from parents on whether the service had improved for them and what it felt like to engage and access the service/front door. The Panel’s main findings from the feedback received at the sessions was:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Lack of specialist resources both in the SEND Teams but also schools - SENDACT do not follow up with schools after an EHCP is issued - Long waiting times to get a diagnosis or support - No single point of contact for parents to get access to all the support and information they need - Parent’s were not aware of the SEND Transformation Plan or how to access it. <p>The Chair and some members of the Panel attended PCAN Social drop-in sessions during October, November and December to engage with parents of children with SEND and seek their feedback on accessing the services. A range of professionals attended the social meeting in December 2022, with a representative from the Local Offer team requesting feedback on their new booklet that had been produced. The Chair of the Panel provided additional details to senior officers within Children’s Services on a number of specific issues and queries raised by parents at the social meetings.</p> <p>Following the visit to PCAN on the 8th September 2022, information was sent by the Panel to PCAN on the SEND Inspection Outcome report considered by the Children’s Scrutiny Panel on the 6th September 2022, which included a copy of the SEND Transformation Plan. PCAN have shared this information with parents on their PCAN Facebook parent’s page.</p>	

Outcome of SEND Inspection and SEND Transformation Plan

Panel meeting on 6th September 2022 - Outcome of SEND Inspection

The Panel considered a report on the SEND Inspection and action plan and outcomes of the Inspection and as part of their pre-decision scrutiny. The Panel agreed –

- to receive updates on the improvement journey of the Transformation Plan.
- That Officers in Children’s Service provide the Panel with details of partners involved in the Transformation Plan that they can meet with or visit as part of the Panel’s scrutiny work.
- That the Panel receive further information on the increased number of pupils in Kirklees LA schools and academies with an Education Health and Care Plan since January 2015 to January 2021

The Panel will be invited to be involved in the development of the Transformation Action Plan going forward. The Panel asked that officers build into the action plan how the Panel might scrutinise the inspection outcomes.

Invite to attend SEND Transformation and Commissioning Group on 8.9.22

The Panel attended the SEND Transformation and Commissioning Group on the 8th September 2022, to enable the Panel to be involved in the discussion on the SEND written statement of action following the recent inspection. The main points considered at the meeting was the SEND Inspection and action plan and outcomes of the Inspection.

Informal meeting on 12th December 2022

The Panel discussed a draft report scheduled for consideration by Cabinet on the 21st December 2022, giving an overview of plans to refresh and expand the “Alternative Provision” (AP) Education offer and seek authority to progress plans to create additional specialist AP places to support the needs of children (some of whom also have Special Educational Needs and Disabilities) who require an alternative education offer. The Panel noted the report to Cabinet and agreed that it was essential that officers captured whether children were happy and also that a long-term plan was put into place for assessing the outcomes.

Panel 6th Sept 22

<p>Mental Health in Schools</p>	<p>(Lead: Tom Brailsford/Stewart Horn)</p> <p>The Panel have currently agreed to look at the Ladder Project (Colne Valley, Golcar and Lindley) and other work directly in schools around children’s mental health, including the challenges and key issues faced by children, the schools and CAMHS and explore how the roll out of NHS mental health support for children and young people is progressing. The Panel would like to understand what good mental health in children looks like and visit a mental health in school’s team.</p> <p>Visit to Mental Health in School’s Team The Panel will visit the Mental Health in School’s Team on the 21st February 2023.</p> <p>Panel meeting on 23 March 2023 The Panel will consider a report giving a progress update on Mental Health in Schools and CAMHS waiting times.</p>	<p>February 2023</p> <p>March2023</p>
<p>Elective Home Education</p>	<p>(Leads: Jo-Anne Sanders/Diane Yates/Kelsey Clark-Davies/Paul Harris)</p> <p>The Panel will liaise with the One Voice Team to engage with young people to seek their views on being home educated.</p> <p>The Panel will meet with parents who were involved in the Adhoc Panel on Elective Home Education to seek feedback from them on how well the Action Plan agreed at Cabinet in December 2020 has been progressed and implemented.</p>	
<p>Early Years</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Early Help Services - Engagement of Families Together 	<p>(Leads: Carol Ann Smith/Michelle Wheatcroft/Jo Sanders)</p> <p>Early Help Services Panel to consider a plan of action on this matter.</p> <p>Families Together The Panel will consider a future update on the review of the Families Together hubs and the review of the Hub Co-Ordinator role. The Panel noted that some Head Teachers had agreed</p>	

	<p>to be part of the review. The Panel will explore what services are in place within the hubs and consider visits to observe the arrangements in place and will look at how the hubs in Dewsbury, Batley and Spen and Rural were progressing and what impact they were having on the local community.</p> <p>Families Together Launch The Panel will be invited to attend the Families Together Launch which will take place in the near future (date to be advised) and which will include a lunch event for the Families Together model of integrated early support.</p>	Date to be advised.
<p style="text-align: center;">Lead Member Briefings (Bi-monthly LM Briefings with Cabinet Members for Learning and Children’s; and Mel Meggs/Elaine McShane, Tom Brailsford and Jo-Anne Sanders during 22/23) – Actions from these meetings will be included within the Panel’s Work Programme where appropriate</p>		

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Children's Scrutiny Panel

Agenda Plan 2022/23

Date of Meeting	Issues for Consideration	Officer Contact
<p>9th June 2022</p> <p>Informal Meeting 11 am</p>	<p>(with Panel, Officers and Cabinet Members)</p> <p>To consider potential areas of focus for the Panel during 2022/23 municipal year which will include the Council's key priorities for the children's service.</p>	<p>Helen Kilroy</p>
<p>20th June 2022</p> <p>Informal meeting 2pm-3.30pm Hybrid meeting Meeting Rm 3, HTH</p>	<p>(with Panel only)</p> <p>To agree and sign off priority areas of focus for Panel during 2022/23 municipal year.</p>	<p>Helen Kilroy</p>
<p>12th July 2022</p> <p>2.00pm-3.00pm Informal meeting 3.00pm-4.30pm Public meeting</p> <p>Hybrid Meeting Council Chamber, HTH</p> <p>Report deadline: 30.6.22</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Informal items:-</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Ambition Board Minutes (12.3.22)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Performance slides</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Public Items:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Formal report membership change – Cllr Elizabeth Reynolds</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Pre-decision Scrutiny – Cabinet decisions on the horizon</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Feedback from Panel Members on issues considered by Corporate Parenting Board</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Educational Outcomes – verbal update on next steps/priorities for the Service</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">H Kilroy</p> <p>J Sanders/E McShane to present</p> <p style="text-align: center;">H Kilroy</p> <p>Senior Officers/Cabinet Members</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Panel Members</p> <p style="text-align: center;">J Sanders/C Jessup</p>

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<p>6th September 2022 10am – 11 am Informal meeting 11am – 12.30 pm Public meeting Hybrid Meeting Council Chamber, HTH Report deadline: 25.8.22</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Informal items:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Ambition Board Minutes (20.6.22)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Public Items:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Performance highlights slide</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Pre-decision Scrutiny – Cabinet decisions on the horizon</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Feedback from Panel Members on issues considered by Corporate Parenting Board</p> <p style="text-align: center;">SEND Inspection – Action Plan and inspection outcomes</p> <p style="text-align: center;">YPAT changes to provision and youth development</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">H Kilroy</p> <p style="text-align: center;">T Brailsford/J Sanders/E McShane to present</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Senior Officers/Cabinet Members</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Panel Members</p> <p style="text-align: center;">T Brailsford/P Harris K Clark-Davies/C Bennett/S Horn</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Sara Miles/Tom Brailsford/Gary Wainwright</p>
<p>31st October 2022 1.00pm -2.00pm Informal meeting 2.00pm-4pm Public meeting Hybrid Meeting Council Chamber, HTH Report deadline: 19.10.22</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Informal items:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Educational Outcomes update (GCSE exam results)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Public Items:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Pre-decision Scrutiny – Cabinet decisions on the horizon</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Feedback from Panel Members on issues considered by Corporate Parenting Board</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Outcomes of the Joint Area Targeted multi-agency Inspection (Ofsted letter)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Chris Jessup/Narinder Kaur/Jo Sanders</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Senior Officers/Cabinet Members</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Panel Members</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Elaine McShane/Ian Mottershaw (rep from WY police to be invited)</p>

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<p>12th December 2022</p> <p>1.00pm -3.00pm Informal meeting</p> <p>Hybrid Meeting Council Chamber, HTH Report deadline: 28.11.22</p>	<p>Informal items:</p> <p>SEND and disabilities alternative provision – draft Cabinet report</p> <p>QA Assurance report – Children’s Performance</p>	<p>J Sanders/K Clark/Davies</p> <p>T Brailsford/J Sanders/E McShane to present</p>
<p>23rd January 2023</p> <p>1.00pm-2.00pm Informal meeting 2pm-3.30 pm Public Meeting</p> <p>Hybrid Meeting Council Chamber, HTH</p> <p>Report deadline: 12.1.23</p>	<p>Informal Items</p> <p>Ambition Board Minutes (12.12.22)</p> <p>QA Assurance report – Children’s Performance</p> <p>Public Items:</p> <p>Membership – Resignation of Graeme Sunderland, Co-optee</p> <p>Verbal update on Performance highlights</p> <p>Verbal update on Budget process – impact on Children’s Services</p> <p>Pre-decision Scrutiny – Cabinet decisions on the horizon</p> <p>Feedback from Panel Members on issues considered by Corporate Parenting Board</p>	<p>H Kilroy</p> <p>J Sanders/E McShane/S Miles to present</p> <p>H Kilroy</p> <p>Panel/Senior Officers</p> <p>Mel Meggs</p> <p>Senior Officers/Cabinet Members</p> <p>Panel Members</p>
<p>20th March 2023</p> <p>1.00pm-2.00pm Informal meeting</p>	<p>Informal Items</p> <p>QA Assurance report – Children’s Performance</p> <p>Public Items:</p>	<p>T Brailsford/J Sanders/E McShane</p>

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<p>2.00pm-4pm Public meeting Hybrid Meeting Council Chamber, HTH</p> <p>Report deadline: 6.3.23</p>	<p>Verbal update on Performance highlights</p> <p>Pre-decision Scrutiny – Cabinet decisions on the horizon</p> <p>Feedback from Panel Members on issues considered by Corporate Parenting Board</p> <p>Children’s Services Reforms and any potential impacts for Kirklees</p> <p>Mental Health in Schools and CAMHS waiting times</p>	<p>Panel/Senior Officers</p> <p>Senior Officers/Cabinet Members</p> <p>Panel Members</p> <p>Mel Meggs</p> <p>Stewart Horn/Tom Brailsford</p>