

## CHILDREN'S SCRUTINY PANEL – PROPOSED ITEMS

### POTENTIAL ISSUES IDENTIFIED FOR INCLUSION IN THE WORK PROGRAMME 2017/18

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| <b>FULL PANEL DISCUSSION ISSUES</b>                           |                |  |   |
| <b>1. Improvement journey</b>                                 | Steve Walker   | Regular updates from the service on where we are on the journey/Action Plan.<br><br>Improvement Plan<br><br>Performance.<br><br>Recruitment and retention.<br><br>Quarterly Discussion | What has happened with Actions that should now be completed?                            |
| <b>2. Support for looked after children and care leavers.</b> | Steve Walker   | External evidence and thinking about how develop services going forward.   | Steve has suggestions for gathering evidence – what do care leaving services look like? |
| <b>3. Corporate Parenting</b>                                 | Steve Walker   | How well are we meeting our responsibilities to looked after children? Are we giving them a voice?<br><br>Holding council and partners to account. Health police and others.           |   |
| <b>4. Private Fostering</b>                                   | Steve Walker   | Children who are looked after by family friend - regulations about it. Dependent on public knowing that it's a private fostering arrangement.  |   |

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|   |                | Impact on council? Area that tends to be neglected, not given a lot of attention.<br><br>Do assessments and provide assistance, identify quick wins.   |                          |
| <b>5. Elective Home Education</b>         | Steve Walker   | Vulnerable group of children.<br><br>Protective factors not there.   |                          |
| <b>6. Special Educational Needs</b>       | Steve Walker   | Children with SEN and disabilities and arrangements for children – what are their educational achievements and attainments.<br><br>Ofsted got programme of assessment running - no date yet. |                          |
| <b>7. Children’s Mayor</b>                | Steve Walker   | Have policies and they vote on what policy to take forward.  |                          |
| <b>8. Vision for children in Kirklees</b> | Steve Walker   | What are the priorities?   |                          |
| <b>9. Update on Regional Fostering</b>    | Steve Walker   |  |                          |