

## Children and Young People Scrutiny Panel - Draft Work Programme 2023 - 2024

**Chair:** Councillor Qaiser Azeem

**Vice Chair:** Councillor Stephanie Haynes

**Scrutiny Support:** Earl Piggott-Smith

### Remit, Function and Measures

- Ensuring that children have the best start in life and good early development
- Ensuring high quality education that closes the attainment gap
- Ensuring that children and young people grow up happy with good physical, social and mental health, and wellbeing
- Ensuring that every young person in the city is equipped for adulthood with life skills and ready for work
- Ensuring that families are strengthened where children are vulnerable or at risk
- % of Early Years and Childcare settings rated Good or Outstanding
- % of take up of 2-year-olds benefitting from early education
- % of schools in the city that are rated Good or Outstanding
- Average Attainment 8 score per pupil
- % gap in Attainment 8 score gap between advantaged and disadvantaged children
- % of 16 and 17 year-olds with SEND in education, employment, or training
- % of care leavers in education, employment, or training
- First time entrants into the Youth Justice System per 10,000 population
- Rate of children open to social care per 10,000 population under 18
- % of repeat referrals into Childrens Social Care with 12 months
- % of children and young people in care who have had 3 or more placements in the year
- % of EHC plans issued within 20 weeks

Item	Description	SEB Lead	Officer Report/Author Lead	Date of Meeting	Publication Date	Status
Wolverhampton Children and Young People's	This is an annual report that is presented to the	Emma Bennett	Alison Hinds	27 July 2023	19.7.23	Completed

Self-Evaluation 2023-24	panel for comment.						
Principal Social Worker Annual Report 2022 - 2023	This is an annual report that is presented to the panel for comment.	Emma Bennett	Jennifer Rogers	27 July 2023	19.7.23	Completed	
Education, Skills and Employment Strategy – <b>Pre-Decision Scrutiny</b>	At the request of the Director, agreed by the Chair	Emma Bennett	Laura Collings	27 July 2023	19.7.23	Completed	
SEND Written Statement of Action - DFE/NHS monitoring meeting - update	This will be a verbal update on the findings from the DFE/NHS monitoring visit on 6 July 2023 and update from Cross Party Scrutiny Review Group - Written Statement of Action	Alison Hinds	Brenda Wile	4 October 2023	26 September 2023	Programmed	
WST Exploitation Thematic Review	At the request of the SEB lead	Alison Hinds	Andrew Wolverson	4 October 2023	26 September 2023	Programmed	

WST Knife Crime Thematic Review	At the request of the SEB lead	Alison Hinds	Andrew Wolverson	4 October 2023	26 September 2023	Programmed
Childcare Sufficiency Assessment - Spring 2023	At the request of the SEB lead	Alison Hinds	Phil Leivers	4 October 2023	26 September 2023	Programmed
Budget and Performance Update	Request from Director to add this item to the agenda.	Alison Hinds/Brenda Wile	James Barlow	22 November 2023	14 November 2023	Programmed
SEND and Inclusion Strategy (pre-decision scrutiny)	At the request of the SEB lead	Alison Hinds	Brenda Wile	22 November 2023	14 November 2023	Programmed
Youth and holiday offer in the City	Panel requested details of youth holiday offer and progress since earlier report.	Alison Hinds	Andrew Wolverson	22 November 2023	14 November 2023	Programmed
Family Hubs and Start for Life Offer Programme	The panel requested an update on plans to establish the programme and to review progress.	Alison Hinds	Alison Hinds	22 November 2023	14 November 2023	Programmed
School Exclusion and Suspension	The panel requested on update on plans	Alison Hinds	Brenda Wile	31 January 2024	23 January 2023	Programmed

	to reduce the number of school exclusions and suspensions.						
Education Excellence: Update and monitoring	The panel requested an update on progress following the presentation of a previous report draft in January 2023.	Alison Hinds	Phil Leivers	31 January 2024	23 January 2023	<b>Programmed</b>	
Social Work and Workforce Health Check	This is an annual report that is presented to the panel for comment specifically on the survey findings from social workers and other workers in children's service.	Alison Hinds	Jennifer Rogers	13 March 2024	5 March 2024	<b>Programmed</b>	
School's Organisation Plan	To report on the plan following request from the Chair.	Alison Hinds	Brenda Wile / Bill Hague	13 March 2024	5 March 2024	<b>Programmed</b>	
School Appeals	Panel requested a report following	David Pattison	Laura Gittos / Jaswinder Kaur	13 March 2024	5 March 2024	<b>Programmed</b>	

	the item last year.						
2023 Children's Services Social Work and Wider Workforce Health Check Survey	This is an annual report that is presented to the panel for comment	Alison Hinds	Courtney Abbott	13 March 2024	5 March 2024	Programmed	

### To be scheduled

- Children's Social Care Reform - **Pre-Decision Scrutiny (tbc)** - Alison Hinds
- Universal Credit Rollout
- Children's Oral Health – January 2024 special meeting (tbc)
- Wolverhampton Holiday Activities and Food Programme Annual Report 2022/2023
- Children's Residential Provision Business Case – Briefing Note in October 2023 (Alison Hinds), approved by the Chair.
- Proposed visit to new Childrens Residential Care Homes (Jan 2024 tbc) - Alison Hinds
- Proposed visit to Family Hub network (tbc) - Alison Hinds
- Education, Skills and Employment Strategy update – July 2024