

Children, Sports and Leisure Policy and Scrutiny Committee

Date: Monday 28th November 2016

Classification: General Release

Title: Update on work programme and action tracker

Report of: Julia Corkey-Director of Policy, Performance and

Communications

Cabinet Member Portfolio Cabinet Member for Children and Young People and

Cabinet Member for Sports and Leisure

Wards Involved: All

Policy Context: City for Choice / Heritage / Aspiration

Report Author and Tara Murphy x2894

Contact Details: <u>tmurphy@westminster.gov.uk</u>

1. Executive Summary

This report provides an update on the work programme for committee to note and also an update on the action tracker.

2. Key Matters for the Committee's Consideration

Committee is asked to note the work programme at Appendix 1 and the action tracker at Appendix 2.

3. Background

The work programme is as noted by Committee at its last meeting in October, except that a review of the council's volunteering contracts has been added to the March agenda, in place of the Schools Organisation strategy.

If you have any queries about this Report or wish to inspect any of the Background Papers please contact Tara Murphy x2894

tmurphy@westminster.gov.uk

APPENDICES:

Appendix 1-Work Programme Appendix 2- Action Tracker

Appendix 1



ROUND THREE – 28 November 2016 Main Theme –Children and Young People		
Agenda Item	Reasons & objective for item	Represented by:
Cabinet Member questioning	To hold to account and give 'critical friend' challenge to the portfolio holder.	Cabinet Member for Children and Young People
Annual Education Report	The committee will evaluate the key areas of success and areas to be developed in the Annual Education Report.	lan Heggs
Libraries Transformation	To analyse the libraries transformation programme.	Mike Clarke

ROUND FOUR – 6 February 2017 Main Theme – Sport, Leisure and Open Spaces				
Agenda Item Reasons & objective for item Represented by:				
Cabinet Member questioning	To hold to account and give 'critical friend' challenge to the portfolio holder.	Cabinet Member for Sport, Leisure and Open Spaces		
Community Engagement	To review the new programme and its first year, including Open Forums.	Neil Wholey		
Troubled Families Year 2	To review Year 2 of the Troubled Families Service and suggest areas to be developed.	Melissa Caslake Kulsuma Faiz		

ROUND FIVE – 13 March 2017 Main Theme – Children and Young People				
Agenda Item Reasons & objective for item Represented by:				
Cabinet Member questioning	To hold to account and give 'critical friend' challenge to the portfolio holder.	Cabinet Member for Children and Young People		
Improving the local offer for 0-To review how we can improveIan Heggs25 year olds with SEN andlocal offer for 0-25 year olds withDisabilities.SEN and disabilities.				
Volunteering Contracts Review	To review the existing contracts at 1 year marker	Yacoba Godwyll Lakrahj Minas		

ROUND SIX – 15 May 2017 Main Theme – Children and Young People			
Agenda Item Reasons & objective for item Represented by:			
Cabinet Member questioning	To hold to account and give 'critical friend' challenge to the portfolio holder.	Cabinet Member for Sport, Leisure and Open Spaces	
Access to the Cultural Offer in Westminster for Young People	To examine the uptake of the cultural offer by Young People and how the relationships with partner organisations work with the institutions based in Westminster.	Mike Clarke	
Healthy Schools	To examine measures to improve health in schools, including a review of the new school meals contract mobilised in Westminster in April 2016.	Annabel Saunders / Allison Yeoman (School Meals element) Public Health Officers Ian Heggs	

Unallocated items		
Review of Youth Services/ Young Westminster Foundation	To analyse the changes to the Youth Services (Rachael Wright-Turner)	
Reduction in Fostering Numbers/Regionalisation of Adoption	Changes to the adoption and fostering services to be tracked through Cabinet Member updates to the Committee (Annabel Saunders)	
The Role of Social Workers	To examine the role of Social Workers, as requested at P&S in March 2016.	
Local Area Inspection Self-Assessment and Action Plan	To analyse the local area inspection self-assessment and action plan.	
Changes to School Funding	To look at how prepared WCC will be as an Academy chain.	
Attendance by the Youth MP for Westminster	Request at Committee on 9 th May	
Future Plans for the Library Service	Requested at committee on 17 th October 2016	
Youth Violence and Gangs (invite a charity working in this are to attend also)	Requested at committee on 17 th October 2016	

Other Committee Events & Task Groups			
Group/ Issue Update Type			



ROUND FOUR 2014/15 (26 January 2015)		
Agenda Item	Recommendation and responsible officer	Update
Early Help Strategy	That further promotion of the two year old offer and an update on uptake at regular intervals be reported back to the Committee. The Committee endorsed the importance of early intervention in a child's development. (Steve Comber)	This is included in the Cabinet Member Update for Children and Young People.

ROUNDSIX 2015/16 (9 May 2016)		
Agenda Item	Recommendation and responsible officer	Update
Committee Work Programme	That the Youth MP be invited to attend and speak at a future Committee. (Tara Murphy, Policy & Scrutiny Officer)	On-going

ROUND TWO (17 OCTOBER 2016)		
Agenda Item	Action and responsible officer	Update
Update from the Cabinet Member for Sports and Leisure	 That a tour of Westminster libraries be organised for Committee Members. (Tara Murphy, Policy & Scrutiny Officer) That a briefing note be sent on the cost to the Council of the construction of the long-delayed Marylebone Library on Luxborough Street. Recommendation for the Cabinet 	
	Member for Sport & Leisure	
	 That the bidders for the new contract for Management and Maintenance of Parks, Open 	Sent to the Cabinet Member

	Spaces and Cemeteries incorporate support in employment targets and submit proposals on the positive role that parks and open spaces can contribute to the healthy eating agenda.	
LSCB Annual Report	That a briefing note be sent on the progress being made following the recommendations made during the Ofsted inspection. (Melissa Caslake, Director of Family Services, WCC)	In-progress
	2. That the tables on page 38 of the report should contain additional (past yearly) data in order that any trends can be established. (Jean Daintith, LSCB Chair)	The report (with additional information as requested) is due for publication at the end of November and will be circulated to members for information
	 That a briefing note be sent on whether all the housing providers should have a designated safeguarding officer. (Melissa Caslake, Director of Family Services WCC) 	In-progress
	4. That a charity be invited to attend a future Committee meeting to talk about the work they do regarding violence against women and girls. (Tara Murphy, Policy & Scrutiny Officer)	Noted and added to the list of unallocated items for inclusion for next year.
	Recommendations to Cabinet Member for Children & Young People	Sent to the Cabinet Member
	 That engagement in anti- radicalisation efforts continues to be a focus for both Children's Services and the LSCB. 	
	 That opportunities for synergy between adults and children services team, in tackling issues such as modern slavery and violence against women and girls, be explored. 	

	 That front line staff (especially in City Hall) should be fully trained to react and deal with vulnerable young people coming into Council buildings. 	
Annual Looked After Children's Report	1. That a briefing note be sent detailing Hammersmith and Fulham's voluntary fact finding expedition to the Calais camp to help Unaccompanied Asylum Seeking Children wishing to live in the UK. (Claire Chamberlain, Director of Family Services, RBKC)	Information sent to committee members on 16 November 2016
	Recommendations to Cabinet Member for Children & Young People	Sent to the Cabinet Member
	That the Council work to improve the health of Looked After Children and, in particular, develop healthy eating guidance.	
	2. That the Cabinet Member, or the Lord Mayor write to congratulate the Looked after Children who have graduated from university.	
Work Programme	 Add items on Future Plans for the Library Service and Youth Violence and Gangs to the Work Programme. (Tara Murphy, Policy & Scrutiny Officer) 	Completed
	 See Action 4 of LSCB Annual Board for consideration. (Tara Murphy, Policy & Scrutiny Officer) 	Completed