

**TO: CHILDREN, YOUNG PEOPLE AND LEARNING OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY PANEL
10 JUNE 2015**

REVIEW TOPIC AND WORKING GROUP

1 PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 This report invites the Panel to select its next policy review topic and establish a working group to undertake the review with reference to the attached Panel Work Programme for 2015/16.

2 RECOMMENDATION(S)

- 2.1 **That the Panel selects a topic and establishes a working group for a future policy review.**

3 REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION(S)

- 3.1 To agree arrangements in respect of the Panel's next piece of policy review work.

4 ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED

- 4.1 None.

5 SUPPORTING INFORMATION

- 5.1 The Panel's 2015/16 Work Programme is attached at Appendix 1 to facilitate selection of the next review topic and working group membership.

6 ADVICE RECEIVED FROM STATUTORY AND OTHER OFFICERS / EQUALITIES IMPACT ASSESSMENT / STRATEGIC RISK MANAGEMENT ISSUES / CONSULTATION

- 6.1 Not applicable.

Background Papers

None.

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APPENDIX 1

2015/16 Overview and Scrutiny Work Programme

The proposed work programme for O&S in 2015/16 is shown on the following pages. The programme is aimed at maintaining a strategic and co-ordinated work programme based on major areas of Council and partner organisations' activity. The review topics take account of what is likely to be timely, relevant, and to add value. The programme incorporates the routine, on-going work of O&S and the completion of reviews currently underway.

The O&S Commission has consulted the O&S Panels, the Council's Corporate Management Team and the Executive on the work programme, as required by the Council's Constitution.

The work programme will necessarily be subject to continual refinement and updating. The 'future possible reviews' are those which are unlikely to be resourced until 2016/17 or later.

CHILDREN, YOUNG PEOPLE AND LEARNING OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY PANEL	
1.	<p>Monitoring the performance of the Children, Young People and Learning Department</p> <p>To receive an introductory briefing on the role of the Children, Young People and Learning Department, with reference to their service plan for 2015/16.</p> <p>To include on-going review of the Quarterly Service Reports, receiving statutory plans and reports (such as the annual reports of the Local Safeguarding Children Board, and on complaints received). Monitoring:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The creation of the 'Learning Village' in Binfield • Schools' performance, particularly secondary schools; • The action taken by the Executive to earlier reports by the Panel
2.	<p>Exercising pre-decision scrutiny by reference to the Executive Forward Plan</p> <p>To selectively contribute to the formulation of new policies in advance of their consideration by the Executive.</p>
3.	<p>2016/17 Budget Scrutiny</p> <p>To review the Council's Children, Young People and Learning budget proposals for 2016/17, and plans for future years.</p>

2015/16 WORKING GROUPS	
Children, Young People and Learning O&S Panel	<p>Child Sexual Exploitation</p> <p>To review the Council's response to the risks of Child Sexual Exploitation, delivered in concert with Community safety partner organisations.</p>

FUTURE POSSIBLE REVIEWS (Unlikely to be resourced until 2016/17 or later)	
<u>Children, Young People and Learning</u>	
1.	Early Intervention Services To review the effectiveness of early intervention services for families and children, for example parenting skills and crime prevention.
2.	Supporting Disadvantaged Children and Families To review the impact of the Council's 'Family Focus' programme.