

**NORTH YORKSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL**  
**YOUNG PEOPLE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE**

**29<sup>th</sup> June 2007**

**Work Programme Report**

**1.0 Purpose of Report**

This report asks the Committee to:

- (a) note the information in this report
- (b) confirm, amend or add to the list of matters shown on the work programme (attached at Annex A)

**2.0 Mid Cycle Briefing- 25<sup>th</sup> May 2007**

The main focus of the Mid Cycle briefing was an interesting and thought provoking presentation on young carers in North Yorkshire and the support they currently received.

Members were made aware of the pressures in relation to gaps in funding to support young carers which government is looking to address. Members requested that a report on the outcome of this piece of work is brought back to the Committee later in the year.

A Copy of the presentation by the Head of the Carers Resource Centre in Harrogate/Craven is attached at Annex B or your information.

**3.0 ICT Schools - Transport and Telecommunications Overview & Scrutiny Committee.**

Members of the Committee were invited to attend the Transport and Telecommunication Service Overview and Scrutiny Committee on the 20<sup>th</sup> June. The purpose of this invitation was to advise the Scrutiny Committees of the current position regarding recent developments in Schools' ICT provision.

Members were satisfied with the information they received and agreed no further action is required currently.

**4.0 In-Depth Scrutiny Reviews**

**Sports Provision and Participation**

Members of the Task Group continue to unravel the complexities of this scrutiny review, gather information and evidence through a process of consultation and expert witness panels.

The Task Group are due to meet later today (29<sup>th</sup> June) to review the information gathered to date and agree the areas still to be covered.

### **Outdoor Education Service**

Several Members of the Committee have visited all four North Yorkshire Outdoor Education Centers, a private provider in Lancashire and a voluntary sector provider.

Members had the opportunity to see for themselves how the best use is made of incidental learning in the natural surrounding environment in NY Outdoor Education Centers and how each child's outdoor experience is linked into the extended curriculum.

Visits to the private and voluntary sector providers, both of which are used by North Yorkshire Schools, gave Members a good insight into "Activity Centres" and provided a useful comparison.

### **5.0 Items for information**

The second meeting of the Triumvirate Group ( Executive Members, Corporate Director and Overview & Scrutiny Chairman, Vice chairman and Group Spokesperson) is planned for the 11<sup>th</sup> July 2007.

### **Mid Cycle Briefing - 31<sup>st</sup> July 2007**

Members will be updated on the Teenage Pregnancy Strategy and progress made in relation to the recommendations set out in the Scrutiny Review on Sex & Relationship Education. As well as hearing from the Teenage Pregnancy Co-Ordinator , a representative from the North Yorkshire and York PCT has been invited to expand on School Nurse issues.

A briefing on the Apprentice Programme by Justine Brooksbank, Assistant Chief Executive of HR has also been arranged.

### **Recommendation**

6.0 The Committee is asked to:

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Annexes: Annex A Work Programme  
Annex B Presentation Slides