

NORTH YORKSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL
YOUNG PEOPLE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

11th July 2008

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)
- (c) consider a joint task group to look at 'school to school transport'

2.0 Transport for young people aged 14-19

Members will recall the presentation and briefing on the 11-19 Strategy at the last meeting of the Committee. This presentation confirmed that by 2013, every young person aged 14-19 has the right to choose from 17 different diplomas at 3 different levels; they must also have the choice to sign up to an apprenticeship at the age of 16 if they so wish.

No single school or Further Education College can provide the entitlement outlined above: it requires excellent collaboration between neighbouring schools, colleges and employers.

There are a number of challenges facing North Yorkshire but in particular the issue of School to School Transport has been raised. Your Chairman mentioned that a joint scrutiny review would benefit from the close involvement of both the Young People and the Transport & Telecommunications Overview & Scrutiny Committee's who could explore the issues to be faced.

With both Chairman in agreement the next duty of the committee is to nominate members to sit on a joint Task Group. Members of the Transport & Telecommunications will have already met and agreed their nominations prior to the meeting of this committee.

It is proposed that the Scrutiny Support Officers from each committee will arrange an initial meeting/ workshop of the Joint Task Group.

3.0 Work Programme (attached at Annex A)

- (i) Transition arrangements for young people with learning difficulties and disabilities

This item was due to be covered at today's meeting. However in consultation with your Chairman the committee were advised that a Cross Directorate Working Group has been set up and was due to meet for the first time this month. Its purpose is to look at areas of best practice and also where improvements in service provision could be made.

It was proposed that a Report is considered by Members of the Committee in September 2008. This report would outline the work of the cross directorate group and provide Members with a more meaningful engagement on the issues in hand and to comment on areas for development.

(ii) Young Carers

The Chairman was informed that at the moment there is nothing of substance to bring to the Committees attention on this topic. It is suggested that this item is moved to the Mid Cycle Briefing for later in the year when it might be more appropriate to follow this up.

4.0 Additions to Work Programme – 11.07.08

At the previous meeting the Committee considered it important to develop a greater understanding of the 11-19 Education Reforms and to monitor progress of the delivery plan. At the request of Members of the Committee this item has been returned to the Work Programme.

Members also received a presentation and briefing on Integrated Youth Support and the recently outsourced service of Delivering Information, Advice and Guidance to Schools and Colleges in North Yorkshire by Igen. This briefing highlighted the fact that this provision was still in its early stages. Your Chairman considered that an update later in the year would be useful and provide the committee with information on performance. This item has been returned to the Work Programme.

Local Safeguarding Childrens Board

Members had become aware that changes and developments linked to the Local Safeguarding Childrens Board were under discussion. The Committee considered that this was an appropriate time to request an update and briefing on this matter. This item has been added to the Work Programme

5.0 Next Meeting of the Committee

26th September 2008

Recommendation

6.0 The Committee is recommended to:

- note the information in this report
- confirm, amend, or add to the list of matters shown on the work programme (attached at Annex A)
- agree the joint Task Group and identify Task Group members

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Outstanding Committee Dates 2008

September	26 – Committee now 10.30
October	31 – Reserve date 10.30
November	28 – Committee now 10.30

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WORK PROGRAMME – 2008 (updated July 2008)**

Every Child Matters Outcomes

1 Be Healthy

2 Stay Safe

3 Enjoy & Achieve

4 Make a positive contribution

5 Achieve Economic Well-Being

In-depth Scrutiny Projects

SUBJECT	AIMS/TERMS OF REFERENCE	ACTION/BY WHOM	TIMESCALES
Children witnesses of Domestic Violence	Proposed that the next in-depth scrutiny review looks into the support offered and provided to children & young people as witnesses to domestic violence. Included in this review will be the role of Children's Centre's and partnership working.	Briefing Seminar and Scoping Exercise Draft Final Report to Committee	March 2008 Aug-Sept 2008
<i>Possible next review - Extended Schools & Children's Centres?</i> NOT CONFIRMED	<i>Suggestion that Members of the committee undertake an evaluation on the extent to which the extended schools agenda is making a difference and providing a beneficial impact for young people and their families.</i>		Oct/Nov 2008
OVERVIEW REPORTS			
Monitoring Pupil Numbers	Members of the committee requested an Overview report , on a purely theoretical and no commitment basis, which explores the options of the local formula for schools funding in the light of falling rolls	Corporate Director of Children & Young Peoples Service	January 08
Youth Offending Team	Progress report and briefing on the development of an Education Training and Employment Strategy	Lesley Ingleson, Manager Youth Offending Team Service	February 08

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Young People and diversity	Briefing on what is being done to help young people in North Yorkshire to understand the value of diversity and equal opportunities for all and how barriers are overcome by effective education and training.		John Bell, Children & Young Peoples Service	February 08
Local Area Agreement 2	Briefing and presentation on the new Local Area Agreement 2 arrangements		Lynette Dodds, Children & Young People Service	February 08
Commissioning for the Children's Health Agenda	Update from the North Yorkshire and York PCT on Childrens Services and the priorities facing young people and health related issues.		Director of Commissioning and Director of Operations NY & Y PCT	May 08
Primary Capital Programme	Consultation on the Primary Strategy for change		Bernadette Jones/ Suzanna Firth	May 08
14-19 year olds Education & Skills	Briefing on the radical reform of the system for 11-19 education and plans to transform secondary and post-secondary education so that all young people achieve and continue in learning until at least the age of 18.		Corporate Director Children & Young Peoples Service	20 June 08 <i>(extra meeting)</i>
Integrated Youth Support Service	From the 1st April IGEN Leeds will provide support to young people in North Yorkshire on careers and personal development. Members are interested to learn how IGEN propose implementing their services across the County		Ann McConnell IGEN Leeds Louise Dunn Integrated Youth Services	20 June 08
Young People and drug and alcohol issues	Briefing from the Drug and Alcohol action Team on drug and alcohol issues affecting young people in North Yorkshire		Leigh Bell, Mnager Drug & Alcohol Action Team Children & Young Peoples Service: Louise Dunn Integrated Youth Services John Bell/Kathryn Bruce, Quality & Improvement Team	11 July 08

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Draft Library Strategy	As part of the consultation process Members are asked to contribute and comment on the developing Strategy.		Julie Blaisdale, Assistant Director	11 July 08
Young Carers	<i>Overview and clarification on the support and funding arrangements for this vulnerable group of young people</i>		<i>Corporate Director of Children & Young peoples Service/Karl Podmore, General Manager</i>	?? move to Mid Cycle Briefing
Children with Learning Difficulties and Disabilities	Transition planning for children & young people with learning difficulties and disabilities in to adult services		Corporate Director Children & Young Peoples Service/Karl Podmore General Manager	??Sept 08
Delegated Resources	Progress Report on the processes for Monitoring, Challenging and Supporting Schools who use delegated resources for children with special needs and underachieving gifted and talented children		Corporate Director C&YP Service / John Bell Quality & Improvement	Sept 08
SEN & BESD	Update and progress report on developments		Corporate Director C&YP Service	Sept 08
Contact Point	Progress report on the policy guidance for users of Contact Point		Corporate Director C&YP Service/ Gemma Ingles and Gary Cochrane, Integrated Children's Systems	Sept 08
Extended Schools agenda	Evaluating the Extended Schools programme		Corporate Director C&YP Service / Bernadette Jones and Carolyn Bird	Sept 08
Local Safeguarding Children's Board	Briefing Report on the arrangements and development of the Local Safeguarding Board		Ann McMorris Manager Local Safeguarding Children's Board	Oct 08
C&YPS Partner organisations	CYPS partner organisation(s) are invited to brief the committee on their contribution to the Children & Young Peoples Plan and the Every Child Matters agenda		?? to be advised	?? 08
Heath Related Survey	Results of the latest survey undertaken by North Yorkshire Schools		Corporate Director C&YP Service /Katharine Bruce Quality & Improvement	Nov 08

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Efficiency Savings 2009/10	Budget arrangements for continuing efficiency savings		Corporate Director C&YP Service	Nov 2008
Local Area Agreement	Update and progress report on the LAA Children & Young People Thematic Partnership		Corporate Director C&YP Service/Lynette Dodds	Nov 2008
Young People and diversity	Update on the progress being made on inclusion and diversity in schools and how funding from the Ethnic Minority Grant will be used to resource		Corporate Director C&YP Service / John Bell Quality & Improvement	Jan 2009
Integrated Youth Support	Progress Report on Delivering Information, Advice and Guidance to Schools and Colleges.		Corporate Director C&YP Service/ Louise Dunn Principle Officer Integrated Youth Support	Jan 09
<i>Learning in the Wet and Mud</i>	<i>Update and feedback on the suggestions/development opportunities as set out in the report of the Task Group on Outdoor Education Services</i>		Moved to Mid Cycle Programme	July 08
<i>A Sporting Chance</i>	<i>Post Implementation review of the recommendations set out in the in-depth scrutiny review of sports provision and participation in North Yorkshire.</i>		Moved to Mid Cycle Programme	Sept 08
YOT	Progress Report on implementing the ETE Strategy		? Mid Cycle Briefing Lesley Ingleson, YOT Manager/John Bell	Jan 09

Please be aware this is a working document , therefore topics and timeframes could alter