#### NORTH YORKSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

#### YOUNG PEOPLE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

#### 10<sup>th</sup> June 2011

#### **Work Programme Report**

#### 1.0 Purpose of Report

- 1.1 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 - 13<sup>th</sup> May 2011 (Video Conferencing)

#### 2.1 Domestic Abuse

The Mid Cycle Briefing was provided with a further summary of the work in progress to reduce the incidence and impact of Domestic Abuse on children, young people and their families. This is the second update since the Young Peoples Overview & Scrutiny Committees In-depth Review Young People affected by Domestic Abuse.

Raising Awareness remains a key priority for the Domestic Abuse Officer and Members welcomed the imminent release of the Domestic Abuse School Reference Pack.

A consultation exercise undertaken in partnership with the Independent Domestic Abuse Service (IDAS) revealed the thoughts and feelings of young people living in a family where domestic abuse takes place and also indicates their views on where they should be able to get help and support.

Members were reassured that domestic abuse remains a priority for the County Council and that training continues across a wide range of agencies.

### 2.2 <u>Children & Young Peoples Service – Savings and Transformation Strategy:</u> Project 6: Music Service

Like many services within the Children and Young Peoples Service the Music Service under the Savings and Transformation Strategy is required to review and re-structure its service to make savings from its budget over two financial years. There is still uncertainty surrounding grant funding from the Department of Education (DfE) to Local Authorities which means that it is difficult to bring forward any proposals on the re-structure at the moment.

Members were made aware however, that any proposals for a re-structured music service will need to respond to the recent Henley report and the implementation of the awaited a National Plan for Music, due to be released July 2011.

Current understanding of the National Plan is that it will entail the setting up of regional 'hubs' that will tender/bid for money from Central Government from the financial years 2012/13; have key delivery areas that will have to be met; Ofsted monitoring of musical attainment and achievement; the development of partnership work across the County.

The Chairman thanked the Head of the Music Service for attending and suggested that a progress report to the full committee in September would provide a useful update.

#### 2.3 Outcome of the PCT Commissioners Review of 0-19 Universal Health Services

Members discussed the PCT Commissioners progress report that went to the North Yorkshire Children's Trust Board in April. The papers outlined the aim of the review which is to develop a coherent pathway, focusing on public health priorities (early years 0-5 years) and schools to further education (5-19 years)

The report explains that when the review began 12 months ago the political and financial climates were very different. The landscape on which the project was based continues to undergo considerable change and has required the PCT Commissioners to regularly validate the review against emerging government policy.

That said the outcomes and conclusions of the 0-19 Universal Service Review had been put on hold whilst the national direction was clarified.

Members have now been advised that the North Yorkshire & York PCT Commissioners will be in a position to brief the Committee on the conclusions of the Review of 0-19 Universal Health Services in June.

#### 3.0 In-depth Scrutiny Review

The Chairman at a previous meeting put forward two suggestions for the Committee's next in-depth scrutiny review.

At today's meeting Members will be asked to consider and agree their next in-depth review.

#### 4.0 Next Meeting of the Committee

The next meeting of the Committee is scheduled for the 9<sup>th</sup> September 2011 at 10.30am.

#### 5.0 Recommendations

- 5.1 The Committee is asked to:
  - a. Note the information in this report.
  - b. Agree the next in-depth scrutiny review.
  - c. Confirm, amend or add to the list of matters shown on the work programme (attached at Annex A).

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Background Documents: None

Annexes: Annex A - Work Programme

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#### **In-depth Scrutiny Projects**

SUBJECT	AIMS/TERMS OF REFERENCE	ACTION/BY WHOM	TIMESCALE
Health Visiting and School Nurse Service in North Yorkshire	In-depth review aims to obtain a clear picture of the current service being commissioned and delivered; the equity of that service across North Yorkshire and an understanding of what the future provision looks like and how the service is measured for performance.		10 September 2010 - April 2011
Early Intervention Or	Making lasting improvements in the lives of our children, to forestall many persistent social problems and end their transmission from one generation to the next.	No decision reached	June 2011 –
The attainment of young people who receive free school meals	Do young people receiving free school meals perform less well than other 16 year olds and is the gap between the two groups widening?  (To be confirmed shortly)		December 2011

#### **OVERVIEW REPORTS**

SUBJECT	TERMS OF REFERENCE	ACTION/BY WHOM	TIMESCALE
Children & Young Peoples Savings and Transformation Strategy – Projects	Members have been provided with two briefings from the Corporate Director on the Savings and Transformation Strategy required by CYPS to meet the savings target now confirmed at £19.4k. The Savings and Transformation Strategy covers every part of the service and includes removal of expenditure from discretionary services and a fundamental review of service development and delivery.  The Committee requested that a number of Project area reports are were appropriate presented at committee to assist members become aware of consultations being undertaken and understand how services are being shaped for the future.  Home to School Transport  Music Service  Outdoor Education  Greater use of Children's Centres  Integration of Youth & Youth Support Services	At the request of the committee the Savings & Transformation Strategy will remain as a constant for the remainder of the 2011.	September 2010 - December 2011

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Project 7 of the CYPS Savings & Transformation Strategy	Project 7 - Home to School and College Transport  Outline and briefing on the measures and actions included in project 7, to achieve the savings required by the Children & Young Peoples Service.	Corporate Director/ Assistant Director	12 November 2010
Safeguarding - Ofsted Post Inspection Action Plan	Update on the implementation of the Post Inspection Action Plan and the development of an improvement plan.	Corporate Director/ Judith Hay/David O'Brien	12 November 2010
Children & Young Peoples Services - Savings & Transformation Strategy	Extra meeting of the committee was arranged to provide an opportunity for Members to receive a progress and update report on the finalcial challenges facing the service.	Corporate Director	1st December
Every Child Matters - Health Related Behaviour Survey 2010	The results of Health Related Health Survey are a compilation of data collected and based on responses of over 15,000 primary and secondary pupils in North Yorkshire during the summer of 2010. (The results of previous studies undertaken in 2006 and 2008 have been presented to Members of the Committee).	CYPS Katharine Bruce/Bridget Watt	18 February
	Members will be interested to learn how this information compares to previous studies and how it is used to develop/change services for children and young people.		
North Yorkshire Children's Trust Board	Following a number of national announcements which relate to the status and function of Children's Trusts members will learn of the priorities and new arrangements for North Yorkshire Children's Trust Board.	Corporate Director	18 February
Youth Justice Service	Briefing on the outcome of the Core Case Inspection of North Yorkshire Youth Offending Work and improvement plan	Lesley Ingleson Youth Justice Service Manager	18 February
CYPS Savings & Transformation Strategy	Verbal update on the outcome of Home to School Transport consultation	Executive Members and Corporate Director	18 February

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CYPS Savings & Transformation Strategy	Project 5 School Improvement. Informal briefing to gain a better understanding of the proposed new structure for School Improvement; the restructuring of the early years team and the review of behaviour and attendance services provided by the LA to schools and settings.  Project 10 Outdoor Education Progress briefing to learn more about the restructuring to an Outdoor Learning Service and what this provides for young people in North Yorkshire.	CYPS Assistant Director Quality & Inclusion	31 March Mid Cycle
Vocational Education 14-19 year olds	Update and briefing on Professor Alison Wolf's Review	CYPS Assistant Director Chris McGee and Liz Burdett	31 <sup>st</sup> March Mid Cycle
Tackling Child Poverty	NY Child Poverty Needs Assessment briefing	David O'Brien	31 <sup>st</sup> March Mid Cycle
CYPS Capital Programme	Chairman requested a briefing on the Capital Programme report that went to Executive Members and the Schools Forum	CYPS Assistant Director Strategic Services /Strategic Planning Manager	31 March Mid Cycle
Improving the speech, language and communication needs of young people	Members received an initial briefing at a Mid Cycle Briefing in May 2010 on the importance of narrowing the gap in relation to speech, language and communication needs of children and young people. A detailed briefing has been requested which outlines the positive interventions/actions being taken by North Yorkshire County Council to address this issue.		April
Unannounced Inspection Safeguarding	The annual unannounced inspection of contact, referral and assessment arrangements within North Yorkshires children's services was conducted on the 25 and 26 January 2011. The Committee were advised that the outcome of this unannounced inspection would be published on the 23 <sup>rd</sup> February 2011.	Corporate Director	April
In-depth Scrutiny Review: Health Visitor and School Nursing Service	Presentation of the Final Report of the Task Group	Cllr Backhouse – Chairman Task Group	April

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Young People affected by domestic Abuse	Post implementation update against the recommendations set out in the Scrutiny Review <u>Young People affected by Domestic Abuse.</u> Members request a briefing and progress report to track the improvements being made to help young people who live within these situations.		May Mid-Cycle
ICS	Briefing and update on the CYPS ICS system		May Mid Cycle
Project Home to School and College Transport	Progress briefing		May Mid cycle
Youth Support Service	Members have requested a full briefing on the newly integrated Youth Support Service	Assistant Director / Louise Dunn	June
Supporting young people into education, employment and training	Following the in-depth review 'Supporting young people into education, employment and training' members have requested an update which indicates the progress being to made to address the increasing risks for young people from the economic downturn.	Louise Dunn, Principal Officer Youth Support service	June
Risky Behaviour	Progress briefings on: Sexual Health of young people, including teenage pregnancy data Reducing substance and alcohol misuse Position statement on the activities/support available to reduce substance and alcohol misuse by young people	Carly Walker Youth Support Service	June
Review of Universal 0-19 health provision	Members requested a briefing from the NHS NY& Y PCT on the outcome of the recently finalised Review of Universal 0-19 health provision	NYY PCT	June
School Funding Pupil Premium Education Bill Academies Loss of EMA	National policy and funding changes have been 'trickling' out over the last several months and Members of the Committee would appreciate a briefing on the emerging position for schools in North Yorkshire.	Corporate Director	??September

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Home Education and engagement with Traveller Families	The attainment of all young people is an important area of work and Members of the Committee have requested a briefing on how NYCC supports vulnerable groups of young people to improve and achieve their full potential when they are education at home.	Simon Ashby	September
Safeguarding	The outcome of the Munroe Report and the Governments response	Judith Hay	September
Housing & Homelessness	Briefing report on the work being undertaken to accommodate young people	David Walker	September
Looked after Children – Members Group	Draft Report from the Chairman of the members group		November
Support for vulnerable families	The Committee for requested a briefing from the Parent Support Advisor Service		November
Savings & Transformation Strategy – Music Service	Proposals on what the re-structure of the Music Service need to respond to the recent Henley report and the implementation of the awaited a National Plan for Music, due to be released July 2011. Members have requested a briefing at an appropriate time on what the re-structure of the Music Service will look like for young people in North Yorkshire.		November?
NHS Health & Well-Being Board	Role and responsibilities of the Health & Well-Being Board and their involvement in the health and well-being of young people	Corporate Director	
North Yorkshire Youth Justice Service	Members were concerned to hear about the lack of certainty regarding the funding arrangements for the Youth Justice Service and requested an update at a later date.		
Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services	As part of the Transforming Community Services work plan Mental Health Services and Learning Disabilities have been formally tendered.  Members are awaiting the outcome to learn who will deliver mental health services with particular reference to the provision for children and young people.	NYY PCT/Children's Social Care	
Preventing youth crime in North Yorkshire			
Vocational Education for 14- 19 year old	Briefing to inform the committee on the impact for North Yorkshire following the Wolf Report on Vocational Education for 14-19 year olds.		??

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Child Poverty	Following an initial briefing on the Child Poverty Needs Assessment members have requested a progress report which details the actions to be taken to tackle Child Poverty.		March 2012
Children's Centres	Briefing on the progress being made to make greater use of Children's Centres	Corporate Director/ Assistant Director	March 2012

Please note that this is a working document, therefore topics and timeframes might need to be amended.