

## NORTH YORKSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

### YOUNG PEOPLE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

16<sup>th</sup> November 2012

#### 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 schedule (attached at Annex A).

#### **2.0 Mid Cycle Briefing – 19 October 2012**

The following items were discussed at the last Mid-Cycle Briefing and are summarised below. The Chairman suggests if anyone requires a copy of any of the Briefing Reports to contact the Corporate Development Officer.

#### **2.1 Risky Behaviours – Carly Walker**

At the request of the Chairman and Vice Chairman further demographic information was sought on the current position relating to Young People engaged in Substance Misuse and this included the numbers of young people who have received specialist treatment and the length of time they have remained in treatment.

The meeting was advised that following the recent review of young peoples substance misuse service it was considered that the service should reflect the changing trends in young people's substance misuse, be broadened to include and focus on risk taking behaviour and include the provision of contraception for the young people accessing this service. The new model of service would be linked to the targeted youth support framework and thus provide earlier intervention. The aim being that fewer young people would require specialist treatment.

The new provider Compass – the Risk Taking Behaviour Service from the 1<sup>st</sup> September are providing a specialist service to help young people (11-19 and up to 25 for those with special educational needs or disabilities) who are engaged in risk taking behaviour. A representative from Compass in North Yorkshire was present at the briefing and answered Members questions on the range of services and the help available.

Members were also interested to know more about how performance and outcomes will be measured and monitored and were briefed on the 'Teen Star' outcomes tool and other approaches to be used.

The meeting felt that the Committee should return to this matter in due course and suggested that Young People Engaged in Risky Behaviours is added to the Work Programme for a Progress Report in approximately 12 months time.

#### **2.2 Domestic Abuse – Progress Briefing**

Members were reminded that the Domestic Abuse Strategy for North Yorkshire and York 2009-2013 looks to tackle and reduce instances of abuse which remains a priority for partners across York and North Yorkshire. Members were also made aware that the

number of 'domestic incidents' recorded from April 2011-March 2012 was 7286 with 17% of all incidents recording children and young people present.

Since the Committee's Scrutiny Review in 2009/10 on *Young People Affected by Domestic Abuse* Members were advised by the progress report and briefing that services for young people affected by domestic abuse have moved forward since their final report for example therapeutic services in Scarborough, an Outreach Service and a comprehensive Training Programme. Also the Children and Young Peoples Plan is committed to reducing the impact of domestic abuse on children and young people by providing timely early intervention and sustainable education packages and training in all school settings.

An update was also provided on the work of the North Yorkshire & York Domestic Abuse Joint Coordinating Group which having completed an overview of current services for victims, perpetrators and children and young people affected by domestic abuse have developed a Domestic Abuse Joint Commissioning Strategy. This strategy sets out the framework by which North Yorkshire County Council, City of York and Partners will match the needs and aspirations of local communities, the agreed priorities and desired outcomes with the resources available to them. There are five outcomes to be delivered by this strategy and four priorities for change. Of particular note is the priority - 'Improve service pathways for children and young people affected by domestic abuse through enhancing existing provision.' Members remarked they would be interested to receive a progress report which covered this particular priority in due course.

### **2.3 The Pupil Referral Service – Visit to Pupil Referral Unit in Northallerton**

The Pupil Referral Service in North Yorkshire deals with all those pupils who, for some reason, are not attending mainstream educational settings.

Councillor Backhouse thanked Cllr Tony Hall for providing the opportunity for him and Cllr Caroline Seymour to visit the Northallerton Unit. He said that it was interesting to see how the Unit is managed and interacts with young people and their families. During their visit there were around 7 young people in attendance and Cllr Backhouse felt their visit provided an overview into the benefits of Pupil Referral Services for young people who are excluded from school, have significant health problems, are very introverted and lack self esteem.

### **2.4 Next Scrutiny Review**

Members will recall the previous Scrutiny Review into Health Visiting and School Nursing Services which left open an opportunity to follow up on the Department of Health's Review of the role of the school nurse and the subsequent publication in February of ***Getting it right for children, young people and families-Maximising the contribution of the school nursing team: Vision and call to action.*** (This document was circulated with the agenda papers for the previous meeting.) Members will have read that the government recognises the importance of school nursing and is committed to developing a new vision for those services which reflect the nursing role in public health in the school community.

It is proposed that it would be timely to re-convene a time limited Task and Finish Group that would consult on this document with the PCT Commissioners and Harrogate and District Foundation Trust to look into what this means for the Health Visiting and School Nursing Service in North Yorkshire.

The Chairman agreed to put this suggestion to the full Committee in November for their comment and approval.

### **3.0 Work Programme Schedule**

The Work Programme Schedule is attached at Annex A and Members are asked to comment on the revised Work Programme and approve the content.

### **4.0 Next Meeting of the Committee**

The next meeting of the Committee is scheduled for the **25<sup>th</sup> January 2013 at 10:30.**

### **5.0 Recommendations**

5.1 The Committee is asked to:

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**In-depth Scrutiny Projects**

SUBJECT	AIMS/TERMS OF REFERENCE	ACTION/BY WHOM	TIMESCALE
<p><i>Suggestion:</i> 5-19 Universal Health Services and the role of the School Nurse – to be considered by committee</p>	<p><i>Following the Health Visitor &amp; School Nursing Scrutiny Review undertaken last year the report left open an opportunity for the Task Group to follow up on the government's review of the role of the school nurse. The document published in February 2012</i> <b>Getting it right for children, young people and families</b>-Maximising the contribution of the school nursing team recognises the importance of school nursing and sets out a service model for school nursing in the 21<sup>st</sup> century.</p> <p><i>The Chairman and Vice Chairman consider it would be timely to re-convene a time limited Task and Finish Group that would consult on this document with the PCT Commissioners and Harrogate and District Foundation Trust to understand what this means for the School Nursing Service in North Yorkshire and possibly attach a report as an addendum to the original Scrutiny Review report.</i></p>	<p><i>Process:</i> Task and finish group - to be agreed</p>	<p><i>Completion by</i> November 2012 – February 2013</p>

**OVERVIEW REPORTS**

SUBJECT	TERMS OF REFERENCE	ACTION/BY WHOM	TIMESCALE
<p><b>Children &amp; Young Peoples Savings and Transformation Strategy and Project Areas</b></p>	<p>The Children and Young People's Service Savings and Transformation Strategy. In 2011-12 the CYPS MTFS target, set by Budgets 1 and 2 is £9.150m. This target has been spread across 18 projects and overall achievement is well on target at this stage. Members have received regular updates from Executive Members and the Corporate Director over the course of 2011 and have confirmed their wishes to continue with these regular progress reports.</p> <p>The Committee acknowledge that a number of Project areas are still 'work in progress' so will over the course of the next twelve months continue to request Progress Reports from a number of Project area reports to maintain their knowledge and awareness of how services are being shaped for the future.</p>	<p>At the request of the committee the Savings &amp; Transformation Strategy remains on the Work Programme for 2012.</p>	<p>September 2010 - December 2012</p>

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<b>SUBJECT</b>	<b>AIMS/TERMS OF REFERENCE</b>	<b>ACTION/BY WHOM</b>	<b>TIMESCALE</b>
<b>North Yorkshire Youth Justice Service</b>	At the previous briefing 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.	Lesley Ingleson Youth Justice Service	16 March 2012
<b>'The Street' Scarborough</b>	<i>'The Street' Scarborough is a £6.5million project of the Seachange Community Trust in partnership with the Scarborough Borough Council and North Yorkshire County Council. Members have requested an opportunity to learn more about the project with a site visit included. The Task Group on Youth Participation would like to have further information on how young people were included in the development and how young people and community groups will use the building.</i>	<i>Sarah Fenwick and Andrew Steel from the Seachange Community Trust.</i>	<i>Include in Youth Participation Review – proposed date of 12<sup>th</sup> April to visit</i>
<b>Children's Centres</b>	Members request that a briefing is provided on the progress made to make greater use of Children's Centres; the lessons learned from the recent Ofsted Inspections of Children's Centres and how these are being taken forward and information on the future funding arrangements for Children's Centres	Corporate Director/ Assistant Director	16 March 2012
<b>Transition arrangements for young people with SEND to adult life</b> <b>And</b> <b>SEND pathfinder project</b>	Briefing on the support and transition arrangements in place to help this group of vulnerable young people.  In October 2011 the Children & Young Peoples Service was successful in becoming one of the 20 pathfinders for the SEND Single Plan and Assessment Pathfinder Pilots. Member request a briefing on the detail behind this pilot, the areas covered by this pathfinder pilot and progress to date.	Corporate Director/ Assistant Director	16 March 2012
<b>The future of 14-19 vocational education in England</b>	The Committee requests a briefing to inform them about the changes and developments for 14-19 vocational education in North Yorkshire and the role of schools following the Government's full acceptance of the recommendations from the Wolf Review.	Assistant Director Chris McGee/Liz Burdett Head of 14-19 Strategy & Commissioning	16 March 2012
<b>North Yorkshire Local Safeguarding Board (NYSB)</b>	Presentation of the North Yorkshire Safeguarding Childrens Board Annual Report	North Yorkshire Safeguarding Childrens Board Manager	15 June 2012

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<b>Safeguarding and Protection of children and young people in North Yorkshire</b>	Members have requested briefings and a progress report on the MTFS - CYPS Savings & Transformation Strategy: Project 2b – Social Care Transformation including how the transformation will impact on and improve outcomes for children and young people.  -how Child Protection and Safeguarding arrangements are maintained in Educational settings and for children who are missing from education.	Corporate Director/Assistant Director	15 June 2012
<b>0-19 Universal Services and Health Visitor Implementation Plan</b>	A previous briefing advised the Committee on the current situation in relation to the 0-19 Universal Services Review and the impact the Health Visitor Implementation Plan would have in developing universal services. The North Yorkshire & York PCT Commissioners will provide an update on the way services will be commissioned which include the Health Visitor Implementation Plan.	Julie Bolus, Interim Director of Nursing /Helen Billson Senior Commissioning Manager and Providers Jo Johnson	14 September 2012
<b>Changes to the Adoption Process</b>	The Chairman has requested a briefing regarding the Governments commitment to overhauling the care and adoption system and provide Members of the Committee with a better understanding of the challenges for North Yorkshires Adoption Service.	Corporate Director	14 September
<b>Draft Autism Strategy</b>	Following the completion of the 12 week consultation on the Autism Strategy it has been proposed that a report is brought in September to the Committee to consider the consultation responses received and also to provide the opportunity to include any comments the Members of the Committee may wish to make.	Andrew Terry Assistant Director CYPS	14 September 2012
<b>Support for young people not educated in mainstream schools</b>	<u>Pupil Referral Service</u>  The Committee request a briefing on the Pupil Referral Service, how the service is accessed; the provision available and if there are any delays for young people and their families in being referred. They have also asked that the briefing includes information and further detail on the use of <u>Enhanced Mainstream Primary Schools</u> .  The development at <u>Forest Moor</u> is due to open in September 2012 and members have requested a briefing on the provision available for young people with behavioural problems.  Similarly the Committee are also requesting information and a briefing on the type of educational support available and provided to children who have a long-term illness.	John Bell, Assistant Director Quality and Improvement	<b>16 November (Moved from September 2012)</b>

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<b>0-19 Universal Services and Health Visitor Implementation Plan</b>	Following the briefing provided at the September meeting by the PCT Commissioners who disclosed that the PCT had a financial crisis and a decision had been taken to withdraw funding for the 2012/13 Health Visitor budget. The Chairman requested that a follow up briefing is provided on the outcome of their discussions regarding this situation and comment on delivering the Healthy Child Programme.	Julie Bolus, Interim Director of Nursing /Helen Billson Senior Commissioning Manager and Harrogate & District NHS Foundation Trust	16 November 2012
<b>OFSTED Inspection of Fostering Services</b>	Executive Member Cllr Tony Hall has requested that the outcome of the Fostering Service inspection is formally reported to the committee at the November Meeting.	Judith Hay Assistant Director CSC /Annie Shaw Head of Fostering and Adoption Service	16 November 2012
<b>Outcome of recent Unannounced OFSTED Inspection of Local Authority arrangements for the protection and safeguarding of children and young people.</b>	<b>The Final Report of the recent Unannounced OFSTED Inspection is awaited – publication is anticipated to be the 9<sup>th</sup> November 2012</b>	Corporate Director	16 November 2012
<b>Young People not in education, employment or training</b>	With the number of young people not in education, employment and training on the increase Members have asked to keep this item on the Work Programme to receive updates on the number of young people NEET and includes a briefing on the partnership arrangements and action plans to manage and support this group of young people.	Louise Dunn	<b><i>Moved to 25 January 2013 (16 November )</i></b>
<b>Payment by Results Project</b>	Members asked for a progress report on how this pilot is developing	Mandy Whitehead	<b><i>Moved to 25 January 2013 (16 November )</i></b>
<b>Looked after Children – Members Group</b>	Report from the Chairman of the LAC- members group	Cllr John Batt Chairman LAC-MG	<b><i>Moved to 25 January 2013 (16 November)</i></b>

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<b>Troubled Families Programme</b>	Briefing on tackling the issues around Troubled Families	Corporate Director	January 2013
<b>Outcome of the Children and Young Peoples Plan 2011-14 Review and Evaluation Report</b>	In accordance with the Children and Young Peoples Plan 2011-14 performance management arrangements a 12 month progress review and evaluation will be carried out during September/October 2012. This review and evaluation will include work to revisit and refresh the success measures and targets and will be presented to the YPOSC in due course.	Corporate Director	January 2013
<b>Early Interventions Early Help Offer</b>	The aims of early intervention is to help families under stress to provide a loving and secure home for their children to grow up in; keeps families together and saves children from the trauma of break-up and removal.  Members are requesting a briefing on local examples of the types of early intervention programmes and approaches that are having a positive impact across the different groups of children, young people and their families.		January 2013
<b>NHS Health &amp; Well-Being Board</b>	Progress briefing on the development of the Health & Well-Being Board and how the health and well-being of young people will be promoted and secured	Corporate Director	April 2013
<b>Safeguarding and Protection of children and young people in North Yorkshire</b>	Following the two briefings at the June Committee, Members requested progress reports on:- <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Social Care Transformation to include how the transformation has improved the outcomes for children and young people.</li> </ul> <p>-----</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Arrangements for monitoring and safeguarding children and young people in education settings to include those children who are missing from education.</li> </ul>	Corporate Director/Assistant Director  Alan Critchlow Principle Education Social Worker	April 2013

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<p><b>Accommodation and Homelessness</b></p>	<p>At the July Mid Cycle Briefing the Group Spokes Persons were advised that the Young Peoples Accommodation Pathway for 16-25 year olds was launched on the 1 November 2011 and received a briefing on the success and prevention of homelessness to date. Progress has been good but is not without its on going challenges and the Chairman suggested that a further progress briefing should be received in approximately 9-12 months time.</p>	<p>David Walker CYPS</p>	<p>May 2013</p>

**PROPOSED MID CYCLE BRIEFING TIMETABLE**

<b>Risky Behaviours</b>	Update on the current position in relation to Teenage Conceptions and	Carly Walker	May Mid Cycle
<b>School Sports Partnerships</b>	Since the Scrutiny Review undertaken the Members have requested an update regarding the position of Schools Sports Partnerships	Heather Newman	May Mid Cycle
<b>Accommodation and Homelessness</b>	Following a briefing in September 2011 Members of the Committee requested an update following on from the previous briefing and which provided information on the amount of accommodation available and the impact the pathway approach is having on homelessness young people (16 – 25) in North Yorkshire.	David Walker CYPS	- move to July Mid Cycle Briefing
<b>CYPP Headline indicators</b>	Briefing on the CYPP Key Performance Indicators and Success Measures for the full year.	David O'Brien CYPS	July Mid Cycle Briefing
<b>Local Safeguarding Childrens Board Annual Report</b>	The LSCB was unable to send a representative to Committee in June the Chairman agreed that the annual report should be discussed further at the Mid Cycle Briefing.	Sue Williams Training Manager LSCB	July Mid Cycle Briefing
<b>Risky Behaviours</b>	Following a briefing at the July Mid Cycle on Substance Misuse members requested further demographic information and an opportunity to meet a representative from Compass	Carly Walker	October Mid Cycle
<b>Domestic Abuse</b>	Domestic Abuse Joint Commissioning Strategy Consultation and “Standing Together” outcome report.	Gemma Ingles	October Mid Cycle Briefing
<b>Paediatric Services Friarage Hospital</b>	Update on the reconfiguration of Paediatric & Maternity Services at the Friarage Hospital	Bryon Hunter Scrutiny Team Leader	December Mid Cycle
<b>Tackling Child Poverty</b>	Recent information suggests that Child Poverty is expected to rise so following on from the initial briefing on the Child Poverty Needs Assessment members are requesting an update to the previous briefing which details the actions to be taken to tackle Child Poverty in North Yorkshire.		December Mid Cycle
<b>Music Service</b>	Briefing on the proposals to re-structure the Music Service and what this will look like for young people in North Yorkshire.	Ian Banghay	February Mid Cycle Briefing

Additional items which may be included to either the Mid Cycle Briefing or Work Programme Schedule in the course of the year:  
 Linking with the Scrutiny of Health over the Please note that this is a working document, therefore topics and timeframes might need to be amended.