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Children, Young People, Families & Learning Overview and Scrutiny Commission

CHAIR:

Councillor
Payne

LEAD OFFICERS:Pauline
Turner

SCRUTINY OFFICER:
Philip Todd

Commission Date	CMIS Upload Date	Chairs Briefing Date (all to start at 1:30pm)	Agenda Items	Responsible Officer (In attendance)	Portfolio Holder	Reason for submission and actions
APRIL						
Pre-Decision Items						
20/04/26	10/04/26	4/17/2026	SEND Sufficiency	Mary Meredith	Councillor Tock	To undertake pre-decision scrutiny.
20/04/26	10/04/26	4/17/2026	Post16 Commissioning	Mary Meredith OFFICIAL	Councillor Tock	To undertake pre-decision scrutiny.
Briefing/Updates						
20/04/26	10/04/26	4/17/2026	Corporate Director Children, Young People & Family Services Update	Pauline Turner	Councillor Tock	To update the Commission on current/key issues and for members to identify matters to be considered and raise questions and issues that may lead to further work being undertaken.
20/04/26	10/04/26	4/17/2026	Children and Family Services Corporate Performance 2025/26 Qtr 3	Alex Campbell/Pam Allen	Councillor Tock	To consider the latest available performance measures.
20/04/26	10/04/26	4/17/2026	Corporate Parenting Panel Annual Report	Philip Todd	Councillor Tock	To note the annual report of the Corporate Parenting Panel.
20/04/26	10/04/26	4/17/2026	Young People's Scrutiny Engagement Group - Monthly Feedback	Philip Todd	Councillor Tock	To consider the monthly feedback from the Young People's Scrutiny Engagement Group.
20/04/26	10/04/26	4/17/2026	CYPF&L OSC Annual Review	Philip Todd	Councillor Tock	To review and agree the work programme.
Informal Workshop Sessions						
20/04/26	N/A	4/17/2026	Magic Notes/Magic Reports Workshop			
FUTURE ITEMS - DATE TBC						

TBC	TBC		Attend Framework Update	Mary Meredith (Hayley O'Grady)	Councillor Tock	That a briefing in relation to the Attend Framework be added to the Commission's work programme to provide an update on progress of implementation across the city's schools and to measure impact. The Commission specifically requested that the update include reasons for non-attendance and effect of pupil lateness to attendance figures.
TBC	TBC		Youth Justice Plan	Louise Hamson	Councillor Tock	
TBC	TBC		Young People Electoral Engagement	Alex Holgate		
TBC	TBC		Driver Verification - Safeguarding	R. Stephenson / K. Fenner		That an item be added to the work programme to explore more detail on safeguarding children using taxi services; the driver verification process, to ensure license holders are the only drivers operating their vehicles; the number of spot checks; when/where they occurred; what
TBC	TBC		Workshop - SEND Reform	M. Meredith	Councillor Tock	That a future workshop session be explored that focuses on one SEND reform pillar, as part of developing the new SEND plan.
TBC	TBC		Workshop - Good Level of Development	R. Roberts	Councillor Tock	That a future workshop on Good Level of Development (GLD), potentially held in a Family Hub, be explored.
Jun-26	TBC		First 1001 Days	Rachel Roberts/Helen Christmas	Councillor Tock	To receive an update on the Best Start for Life Programme and family hubs.
Jun-26	TBC		Section 17 Audit Action Plan	Nicola Tuton	Councillor Tock	That a future update be brought in June 2026, following the implementation of Workday, to demonstrate the new measures implemented to prevent future issues that had been identified by the auditors.
Jun-26	TBC		Direct Payments Service Audit Progress on Actions Identified	Katie Fisher	Councillor Tock	That a future update be brought in June 2026, following the implementation of Workday, to demonstrate the new measures implemented to prevent future issues that had been identified by the auditors.
Jul-26	TBC		SACRE Agreed Syllabus	Ian Sugarman/Mary Meredith	Councillor Tock	
Jun/July 26	TBC		Family First Partnership - Workshop	Rachel Roberts	Councillor Tock	
July/Sept 26	TBC		Corporate Parenting Panel - Update	Philip Todd	Councillor Tock	
Nov-26	TBC		Home to School Transport	Kerry Ryan	Councillor Tock	That a future update be added to the work programme to show the progress made and the outcomes of next year's survey results.

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