

CYPSSC Action and recommendations tracker 2022-23

The recommendations tracker allows scrutiny committees to monitor responses, actions and outcomes against their recommendations or requests for further action. The tracker is updated following each meeting. Once an action has been completed, it will be removed from the tracker at the next meeting.

Recommendations

Topic	Meeting (date raised)	Recommendation	Responsible Officer/ Member	Follow up	Response/Progress/ Deadlines	Status
Children First Improvement Programme	16 November 2022	It is paramount that the pace and consistency of the improvement journey continues beyond the forthcoming Ofsted inspection to ensure that improvement is sustained, in particular around quality of practice	Lucy Butler	Post Inspection	January 2023: Following the full Ofsted inspection of Local Authority Children's Services (ILACS) which is expected by the end of March, the Director of Children Young People and Learning will report the outcome and ongoing improvement plans to the Committee through its continued scrutiny of the Children's First Improvement Programme.	In Progress

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Children First Improvement Journey	16 November 2022	Will consider the impact of the Family Safeguarding Model at a meeting in 2023, and would like to see how the benefits identified in the national model are being realised locally and feedback from children and families included in that report.	Jenny Boyd	-	January 2023: The evaluation of the Family Safeguarding model will be undertaken early 2023. Following completion of the evaluation the full report, including the areas identified by the Committee, will be presented to the Committee (scheduled for 13 September 2023).	Complete
Children First Improvement Journey	16 November 2022	Recognises the impact of the national issue of recruitment and retention on the pace of the improvement journey and supports the continued focus on recruiting permanent staff	Vince Clark	April 2023	January 2023: The Service continues to focus on recruitment and retention activity. A review of the activity and its impact for 2021/22 is being undertaken, and the findings will be shared with Committee Members in April 2023	In progress

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Performance and Resources Report – Quarter 2 (22/23)	16 November 2022	Raises concern on the high number of children we care for in external residential placements and ask that the placement sufficiency strategy is shared with the Committee.	Dan Ruaux	March 2023	January 2023: A briefing summarising the sufficiency strategy is being prepared and will be circulated to Committee Members.	In progress
Performance and Resources Report – Quarter 2 (22/23)	16 November 2022	Highlighted the additional spending on the learning and skills capital projects and the pressure that this could cause on the capital budget, and ask to have sight of all the schemes within the Learning and Skills Capital Programme to see how they are progressing.	Paul Wagstaff	March 2023	January 2023: A list of all the capital schemes within Learning and Skills portfolio is being prepared and will be circulated to Committee members.	In progress
SEND and Inclusion Strategy 2019 - 2024	28 September 2022	Agrees that open lines of communication with SEND families and schools are key to ensure they are aware of the journey and support available and ask that consideration is given	Paul Wagstaff	March 2023	November 2022: As part of our SEND & Inclusion Strategy, we are about to begin a piece of work with an external organisation, IMPOWER, to draw	In progress

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		to how this can be improved, including a single point of access for advice for schools and dedicated communication support for families.			together the different advice lines running for parents and professionals to bring about greater consistency in responding to requests for help and being able to better signpost towards the range of support services available.	
SEND and Inclusion Strategy 2019 - 2024	28 September 2022	Asks that Adults Services and CYPSSC representation on the SEND Strategy Board is explored.	Paul Wagstaff	March 2023	November 2022: Representation is currently being sought from Adult Services and it is hoped to have such representation in place for the next Strategy Board. Volunteers from CYPSSC to sit on the Board were requested at 16 November meeting.	In progress

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SEND and Inclusion Strategy 2019 - 2024	28 September 2022	Raises concern over the number of EHCPs being completed within the statutory deadline number and that the increase in number of requests for assessments is exacerbating this and highlights that early identification of Children and addressing their needs early is key and that this is focused on moving forward	Cllr Nigel Jupp - Cabinet Member for Learning and Skills	March 2023	November 2022: This is acknowledged and work is being undertaken to provide early support in the Early Years sector to de-escalate demand for EHCNAs through improving provision and access to appropriate resources. Recruitment of additional Education Psychologists is ongoing.	In progress
SEND and Inclusion Strategy 2019 - 2024	28 September 2022	Requests that the Cabinet Member makes every effort to accelerate the provision of additional SEND placements, including securing an additional capital commitment to fund this where possible.	Cllr Nigel Jupp - Cabinet Member for Learning and Skills	March 2023	November 2022: The Cabinet have agreed funding to create an additional 317 specialist places (235 Special School and 82 SSC places). Bids for two new SEND Free schools have been submitted to the DfE for an additional 260 places in total. A	In progress

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					<p>submission has been made for a new Alternative Provision Free School in the north of the County. Further business cases are being constructed for funding to create an additional 140 additional specialist places.</p>	