

Scrutiny Annual Report: April 2021 to March 2022

Select Committee: Children and Young People

Report of Chairman: Councillor Kirsty North

Reviews undertaken/outcomes being monitored:

- Update on Autism Services Commissioning for Children and Young People in Hampshire (November 21/Regular)

Following an update received in September 2020, regular written updates were requested by the Select Committee for future meetings on progress made towards improving Autism services for children and young people in Hampshire.

In addition, a full update was received in November 21. While this assured the Select Committee that progress had been made, there remained outstanding issues to solve and further steps for the project to ensure further success.

Statutory Duties Undertaken: Not applicable to this Committee

Pre-scrutiny of Significant Executive Decisions:

- Savings Programme to 2023 - Revenue Savings Proposals (September 21)
In September 2021, the Select Committee considered the proposed changes within the Children's Services Department that had been developed as part of the Savings Programme to 2023. Following debate, The Committee supported the recommendations to the Executive Lead Member for Children's Services.

Call-in of Significant Executive Decisions: None in this period

Scrutiny of Budgets and Performance:

- 2022/23 Revenue Budget Report for Children's Services (January 22)
At the January 2022 meeting, the Select Committee pre-scrutinised the 2022/23 budget proposals for Children's Services. Following debate, the Select Committee supported the recommendations to the Executive Lead Member for Children's Services.
- Children's Services Capital Programme 2022/23 to 2024/25 (January 22)
At the January 2022 meeting, the Select Committee also pre-scrutinised the 2022/23 to 2024/25 Capital Programme proposals for Children's Services. Following debate, the Select Committee supported the recommendations to the Executive Lead Member for Children's Services.

Policy Review: None in this period

Questioning and exploring areas of interest and concern:

The Committee received items on the following issues:

- Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services (CAMHS) Update (September 21)
- Fostering Update (September 21)
- Annual Safeguarding Report – Children's Services 2020-21 (November 21)

- Holiday Activities and Food Programme - Summer Delivery (November 21)
- Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) 0-25 Update Report - SEN Performance and Joint Working (November 21)
- Attainment of Children and Young People in Hampshire Schools during the 2020/21 Academic Year (January 22)
- Elective Home Education (January 22)