Children, Young People and Education Scrutiny Commission (CYPE) Work Programme 2024 – 2025

Meeting Date	Item	Recommendations / Actions	Progress
19 June 2024	Questions, Representations and Statements of case.	Set up session to help members understand the issues surrounding community asset transfer.	
	Introduction to CYPE Scrutiny Commission including new Directors.	Briefing to be given on finance and resources in CYPE.	To be shared in a later paper with scrutiny
	3	Staff turnover figures to be provided. Updated briefing on CYPE to come to Commission	To be shared in a later paper with scrutiny
		once more is known after General Election - to include information on finance and resource and the workforce.	To be shared in a later paper with scrutiny
	Terms of Reference		
	Education Performance Report.	Influence on deprivation on performance to be investigated, particularly with regard to white children and those eligible for free school meals.	
		Regional director form DfE to be invited to the Commission to inform on academy schools in the area.	
		Monitor the emergence of a national plan.	No national plan announced to date
		Report to come to the Commission on Childrens Centres and Children's Services.	
	Children Seeking Safety	Commission to be kept informed of developments regarding Children Seeking Safety.	
	Post-16 SEND Home-to- School Travel - Update	Consultation to be shared with Commission in advance. (via email rather than at a meeting due to schedule)	Will be shared when available.

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20 August 2024	Family Hubs and Children's Centres	Mapping for Change to be added as an item to the Work Plan. To come to the Commission once the final report was reviewed.	
	Use of Capital Programme in Schools	Added value to be included in future reports.	
	Youth Justice Plan Refresh 2024/25	Plan to be sent to Schools.	
		Engagement Strategy to be shared with Councillors, and offer made to Councillors to attend meetings on participation of young people in the service.	
	Adventure Playgrounds Update	Update report on the situation regarding Adventure Playgrounds to come to the Commission after September.	
		Cllr Russell and Chair and Vice-Chair to discuss possible engagement with play associations to get progress updates.	
29 October 2024	DSG high-needs block recovery plan	Task Group to happen after DSG Report. Report to include data on the level of overspend at different Councils.	
	Adventure Playground Update	To include update on current position.	
	Safeguarding Children Partnership Annual Report		
	Workload and Resources	To include information on funding sources and recruitment and retention.	

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14 January 2025	Sufficiency Strategy	To include provision of Care Packages/Residential Accommodation for CLA – Council provision and the private sector.	
	Update from Impower	Requested following discussion about costs/appropriateness of placements during scrutiny of the Revenue Budget.	
	Update on Children from Abroad Seeking Safety		
	Academies – Performance Report		
25 February 2025	LADO Annual Report		
8 April 2025			

Forward Plan Items (suggested)

Topic	Detail	Proposed Date
Needs Assessment in Relation to Families in the City		
Children not in state-maintained schools		
e.g.: Academies, Independent, Faith schools		
Multi-Academy Trusts - Overview		
Post-16 SEND Home-to-School transport		
Update from local DfE Officer		
Fostering Annual Report	To include costs relating to Customer Relationship management tool, the Ofsted thematic report, information on family finding events and more detail on advertising techniques for recruitment.	
Fostering Community Champions update	Deferred from 26 March 2024	
Corporate Parenting Update	Annual report.	
Fostering Service – Marketing Strategy		
SEN support and funding		
Pupil Place Planning (Primary and Secondary)		
Early Years Childcare Sufficiency Report		
Youth Services - overview		
Children in Care Council/Care Leavers		
School Holiday Activity and Food Provision		
Education Govt reports e.g.: white paper / green paper		

Ofsted Inspection reports		
Children's Social Care – Recruitment Issues		
Mental Health impacts on children	Likely to be examined jointly with other commissions	
Informal Scrutiny on DSG High Needs Block	To commence following the full report to the Commission.	
Leicester Children's Services – Self		
Evaluation		
Covid impact and response to early childhood		
development		