

**Children, Young People and Education Scrutiny Commission (CYPE)
Work Programme 2025 – 2026**

Meeting Date	Item	Recommendations / Actions	Progress
18 June 2025	<p>Overview of CYPE</p> <p>Families First Programme</p> <p>Social Care and Education Performance Dashboard</p> <p>Children's Social Care, Early Help and Prevention Improvement Plan</p>	<p>That regular updates on the progress of the Family First Programme would come to the commission.</p> <p>The improvements be an agenda item at a future meeting.</p> <p>Quarterly updates be added to the work programme.</p>	
23 September 2025	<p>SEND Transport Update</p> <p>Children's Services Finances</p> <p>Edge of Care</p> <p>Youth Justice Plan</p>	<p>Members to be notified and details circulated once white papers are released.</p> <p>Update to come to the commission on the outstanding 200 children</p> <p>DSG/ high needs recovery programme added to the work programme.</p> <p>School planning added to the work programme</p>	

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28 October 2025	<p>Verbal Ofsted update/ Children's Social Care, Early Help and Prevention Improvement Plan</p> <p>Children Seeking Safety</p> <p>Families First Programme</p> <p>Early years extended entitlement</p>	<p>To include impact monitoring on the Fostering Service microsite launched on the Council website which includes the fostering offer.</p> <p>Presentation</p> <p>2 years offer take up</p>	

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<p>20 January 2026</p>	<p>Budget</p> <p>Leicester Safeguarding Children Partnership Annual Report</p> <p>SEND Transport Update</p> <p>HNB Task Group Report</p> <p>Fostering Annual Report</p> <p>Performance Dashboard</p>	<p>Outcome specifics gathered on Travel Training, applications, appeals and outcomes.</p> <p>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.</p>	
<p>3 March 2026</p>	<p>Families First Programme</p> <p>Performance Dashboard</p> <p>Equality and Diversity Development</p> <p>HNB Report</p>	<p>To include an update on the pilot launched in South Leicester.</p> <p>With answers to questions raised.</p>	

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14 April 2026	<p>Corporate Parenting Annual Report</p> <p>School age childcare</p> <p>Early Work Multi Age Child Protection – Families First Programme</p>		

Forward Plan Items (suggested)

Topic	Detail	Proposed Date
YPC Survey Findings	To go to first meeting of 2026/27 municipal year.	
Impact of Recruitment Work	Requested at OSC – to include caseloads for Social Workers.	
Early Years Extended Entitlement Update	To come early in the 2026/27 municipal year.	
Children from Abroad Seeking Safety	6-monthly report.	
Youth Services - overview		
Academies – Performance Report		
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		
Update from local DfE Officer		
Fostering Annual Report	Fostering Service microsite launched	
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		
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		
Families First Programme	To remain on work programme.	

Children's Social Care, Early Help and Prevention Improvement Plan		
SEND Transport	Update to come to the commission on the outstanding 200 children in January 2026.	
DSG/ high needs recovery programme		
School Planning		
Sufficiency in Mainstream and Special Schools	Add Homefield info (following Special meeting May) as an appendix with the report.	
Sufficiency for CLA and Care Leavers		
Early Years Extended Entitlement	A further update to come to the Commission April 2025	