

Scrutiny Forward Work Programme

The following items were prioritised for the next 2 meetings for each Subject Overview and Scrutiny Committee:

Item	Specific Information to request	Rationale for prioritisation	Proposed date	Suggested Invitees	Prioritised by Committees
Schools Strategic Review	<p>Post-16 Education – proposals being consulted upon</p> <p>To include update on FE Sector - How FE Sector operates, what are the strategic plans of the college, what is its relationship with secondary schools and the CSC?</p> <p>Further information as to how the FE College were engaging and assisting schools regarding reducing the number of young people becoming NEET.</p>	Scrutiny to act as consultee – vital to have Scrutiny input into any consultation and ensure pre-decision when necessary if any changes proposed for schools	Nov-2017	<p>Lindsay Harvey, Interim Corporate Director - Education and Family Support;</p> <p>Cllr Charles Smith, Cabinet Member for Education and Regeneration;</p> <p>Nicola Echanis, Head of Education and Early Help;</p> <p>John Fabes;</p> <p>Mandy Paish, CSC Senior Challenge Advisor.</p>	SOSC 1
Waste	<p>New Waste scheme</p> <p>Why scheme was not rolled out over a number of months</p> <p>AHP Waste bags – what is being done to address dignity issue?</p> <p>Road sizes – what is being done about streets and residences that the waste trucks aren't able to access?</p> <p>Residential homes – what assistance and advice have they been given in how they respond to the new scheme?</p> <p>To explore the possibility of compiling the issues being raised through Member referrals</p> <p>To provide comparisons on like for like basis on how other Local Authorities manage their waste</p> <p>How are the collection routes planned out by Kier and where is the customer service centre located?</p> <p>How was the 3 months expected disruption time accepted by the Council?</p>	Council agreed that Waste would be looked at by Scrutiny as a priority due to issues being experienced under the new scheme.	October Members proposed that the item wait until after the bedding in period.	<p>Mark Shepherd, Corporate Director Communities;</p> <p>Cllr Richard Young, Cabinet Member – Communities</p> <p>Zak Shell, Head of Streetscene;</p> <p>Satwant Pryce, Head of Regeneration, Development and Property Services.</p>	<p>Council</p> <p>SOSC 1</p> <p>SOSC 3</p> <p>SOSC 2</p>
Coety Primary	<p>Standard of buildings</p> <p>Budget</p> <p>Issues with staffing at school</p> <p>Strains on teaching staff</p> <p>How are issues being dealt with now to ensure children's safety?</p> <p>What lessons can be learnt for future new builds?</p>	Members regarded this as urgent due to the issues that are occurring now and that reassurance needs to be provided to the public		<p>Lindsay Harvey, Interim Corporate Director - Education and Family Support;</p> <p>Cllr Charles Smith, Cabinet Member for Education and Regeneration;</p> <p>Nicola Echanis, Head of Education and Early Help.</p>	SOSC 1

ALN Reform	Inform Members on the ALN Reform and developments - Status of Bill and how as a Local Authority and a Consortia are we preparing for its introduction. What is being done to address the fact that only 7% of pupils with ALN continue on to a career?			Lindsay Harvey, Interim Corporate Director - Education and Family Support; Cllr Charles Smith, Cabinet Member for Education and Regeneration; Nicola Echanis, Head of Education and Early Help.	SOSC 1
Advocacy Services for Children and Adults	To include information on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The outcome from the Advocacy Pilot Scheme • The current system • Social Services & Wellbeing Act • Regional Children Services advocacy • Adult Services – Golden Thread Project 			Susan Cooper, Corporate Director Social Services and Wellbeing; Cllr Phil White, Cabinet Member – Social Services and Early Help; Jacqueline Davies, Head of Adult Social Care; Laura Kinsey, Head of Children’s Social Care; Richard Jones?	SOSC 1
Residential Remodelling - Children's	Appraisal of the options and proposed new model for children's residential provision and use of therapeutic interventions. (Pre decision item)	Pre decision Scrutiny item - October 2017 prior to going to Cabinet		Susan Cooper, Corporate Director, Social Services and Wellbeing; Cllr Phil White, Cabinet Member – Social Services and Early Help; Laura Kinsey, Head of Children’s Social Care; Pete Tyson, Group Manager – Commissioning; Lauren North, Commissioning and Contract Management Officer; Natalie Silcox, Group Manager Childrens Regulated Services. Karen?	SOSC 1 SOSC 2
The Economic Prosperity of Bridgend County Borough	To include areas such as City Deal, Economic Development, Worklessness Programmes, EU Funding for Skills		SOSC 2 - prioritised for next set of meetings SOSC 1 - proposed waiting until the detail of the Revenue Support Grant are known before this item is considered	Mark Shephard, Corporate Director Communities Darren Mephram, Chief Executive Cabinet Member Communities	SOSC 3

Developing Bridgend as a place to work, live and visit	To include information on Tourism and Events, Streetscene and cleansing the public realm			Mark Shephard, Corporate Director Communities Zak Shell, Head of Streetscene Cabinet Member Communities	SOSC 3
Town Centre Regeneration	To provide members with information on the following responsibilities of the Council and how these are managed and can be developed with reduced resources <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Car parking review – • Residents Parking • Inconsiderate parking in the Borough • Parking outside schools • Pedestrianisation • Business Rates • Empty Properties • Strategic Building Investment • Closure of Public Toilets - Borough wide • Disabled facilities 			Mark Shephard, Corporate Director Communities Zak Shell, Head of Streetscene Satwant Pryce, Head of Regeneration	SOSC 3
Early Help and Safeguarding	Members of the Committee wish to receive information on this topic as proposed in the Forward Work Programme.			Susan Cooper Corporate Director Social Services and Wellbeing; Cllr Phil White, Cabinet Member – Social Services and Early Help; Jacqueline Davies, Head of Adult Social Care; Laura Kinsey, Head of Children’s Social Care; Elizabeth Walton James, Group Manager Safeguarding and Quality Assurance	SOSC 2

<p>Child and Adolescent Mental Health Service (CAMHS)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Monitoring the training being undertaken by professionals and volunteers to support and identify children and young people with mental health issues. Links with the Youth Offending Service – where these have ceased due to staffing issues, how there is a continued communication and joint up working between CAMHS and the YOS. <p>Links to transitional services and Adult Mental Health. Looking at how services were working together in cases where there is a direct impact from Adult Mental Health on children, such as parental alcohol or substance misuse or domestic abuse where children are involved.</p> <p>Data on what services are being offered and provided by schools.</p>		<p>SOSC 1 - End of 2017/beginning of 2018</p> <p>SOSC 2 - Priority in next set of meetings</p>	<p>Sue Cooper, Corporate Director – Social Services and Wellbeing; Lindsay Harvey, Corporate Director - Education and Family Support (Interim); Cllr Phil White, Cabinet Member – Social Services and Early Help; Laura Kinsey, Head of Children’s Social Care; Nicola Echanis, Head of Education and Family Support; NHS representative.</p>	<p>SOSC 2</p>
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The following items were deemed important for future prioritisation later in the year:

Item	Specific Information to request	Rationale for prioritisation	Proposed date	Suggested Invitees
<p>School Standards Report 17-18</p>	<p>Annual school performance report from CSC</p>	<p>Annual school performance results form the basis of monitoring of schools which is a primary responsibility of Scrutiny.</p>	<p>Proposed to receive late January/early February once the school results have been formally published.</p>	<p>Lindsay Harvey, Interim Corporate Director - Education and Family Support; Cllr Charles Smith, Cabinet Member for Education and Regeneration; Nicola Echanis, Head of Education and Early Help; Mandy Paish, CSC Senior Challenge Advisor.</p>
<p>Prevention and Wellbeing and Local Community Coordination</p>	<p>To include information about the number of different initiatives that are available within the community as an alternative to statutory services.</p> <p>LCC projects to be referenced under a heading for each area – Ogmore, Llynfi and Garw Valleys – to ensure ease of reference to what projects are being carried out where.</p>		<p>Proposed date February 2018</p>	<p>Susan Cooper Corporate Director Social Services and Wellbeing; Relevant Cabinet Member; Jacqueline Davies, Head of Adult Social Care; Andrew Thomas, Group Manager – Prevention and Wellbeing.</p>

The Economic Prosperity of Bridgend County Borough	To include areas such as City Deal, Economic Development, Worklessness Programmes, EU Funding for Skills	Members proposed waiting until the detail of the Revenue Support Grant are known before this item is considered	SOSC 3 prioritised for next set of meetings SOSC 1 for future FWP	Mark Shepherd, Corporate Director Communities; Cllr Richard Young, Cabinet Member – Communities; Satwant Pryce, Head of Regeneration, Development and Property Services; Representative tbc from Bridgend College; Representative tbc from Bridgend Business Forum.
Town Centre Regeneration	To provide members with information on the following responsibilities of the Council and how these are managed and can be developed with reduced resources <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Car parking review – <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Residents Parking o Inconsiderate parking in the Borough o Parking outside schools • Pedestrianisation • Business Rates • Empty Properties • Strategic Building Investment • Public Toilets • Disabled facilities 			Mark Shepherd, Corporate Director Communities; Cllr Richard Young, Cabinet Member – Communities Zak Shell, Head of Streetscene; Satwant Pryce, Head of Regeneration, Development and Property Services.
Safeguarding	To include Safeguarding activity in both Children and Adult Services. To also cover: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Regional Safeguarding Boards • Bridgend Corporate Safeguarding Policy • CSE • DOLS <p>To evidence how the two services are working together and the impact on the LAC population.</p> <p>Report to provide statistical data in relation to service demands and evidence how quickly and effectively the services are acting to those needs.</p>	Members stressed that this subject must be considered by Scrutiny on their FWP as is a huge responsibility of the Authority and Scrutiny must ensure the work being undertaken to protect some of the most vulnerable people is effective and achieving outcomes.		Susan Cooper Corporate Director Social Services and Wellbeing; Cllr Phil White, Cabinet Member – Social Services and Early Help; Jacqueline Davies, Head of Adult Social Care; Laura Kinsey, Head of Children’s Social Care; Elizabeth Walton James, Group Manager Safeguarding and Quality Assurance

Dementia Care	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Include accurate and up to date figures on the people diagnosed with dementia in Bridgend County Borough for comparison with the number of people predicted to be living with dementia; • Provide Members with the information which can be found on the Local GP Dementia Register which highlights prevalence of dementia by area throughout the borough and type of dementia. The Panel recommend that these statistics are presented on a map diagram for ease of reference. If possible, Members wish that this data be elaborated upon to include age, and whether the numbers show if diagnosis was received prior to moving into the borough; • Provide an update on the review of joint intentions with health and the third sector and include information regarding the production of a dementia strategy and delivery plan - stating milestones, target dates and responsible officers. • Provide an update on existing discussions with nursing care providers in relation to the development of nursing residential care places for people with dementia; <p>Include facts and figures on people with dementia living in Cardiff as well as Neath Port Talbot and Swansea for comparison to Bridgend.</p> <p>Comparisons with other LAs such as Maesteg and the Vale on dementia awareness training to consider how successful the Authority has been in making Bridgend Dementia friendly.</p>		Members proposed that this be considered after Members have received Dementia Care Training in September/October	Susan Cooper Corporate Director Social Services and Wellbeing; Cllr Phil White, Cabinet Member – Social Services and Early Help; Jacqueline Davies, Head of Adult Social Care.
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The following items were not prioritised at this time:

Item	Specific Information to request	Suggested Invitees
Overview of Direct Payment Scheme	<p>To update Members on the Direct Payments Process.</p> <p>How outcomes for individuals are being identified and monitored.</p> <p>What activities are being requested by individuals to enable them to achieve their personal outcomes.</p> <p>How the Direct Payments system is being monitored.</p> <p>To include clarification and further details on the exact costs of</p>	<p>Susan Cooper, Corporate Director Social Services and Wellbeing;</p> <p>Cllr Phil White, Cabinet Member – Social Services and Early Help;</p> <p>Pete Tyson, Group Manager - Commissioning ;</p> <p>Mark Wilkinson, Group Manager.</p>
Residential Remodelling - Extra Care Housing Schemes	<p>Information on the Extra Care Housing Schemes. To include the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The purpose/model • Changes to residential care • Communication strategy <p>Possible site visit to extra care housing scheme and new site once work has begun.</p>	<p>Susan Cooper, Corporate Director Social Services and Wellbeing;</p> <p>Cllr Phil White, Cabinet Member – Social Services and Early Help;</p> <p>Jacqueline Davies, Head of Adult Social Care;</p> <p>Carmel Donovan, Group Manager Integrated Community Services;</p> <p>Representative from Linc.</p>
Social Services Commissioning Strategy	<p>To include information on what work has taken place following the Social Services and Wellbeing Act population assessment.</p> <p>To also cover the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Regional Annual Plan • Bridgend Social Services Commissioning Strategy 	<p>Susan Cooper Corporate Director Social Services and Wellbeing;</p> <p>Cllr Phil White, Cabinet Member – Social Services and Early Help;</p> <p>Jacqueline Davies, Head of Adult Social Care;</p> <p>Laura Kinsey, Head of Children’s Social Care;</p> <p>Pete Tyson, Group Manager – Commissioning</p>
Western Bay Regional Report	<p>To provide Members with the Western Bay Regional Report. To include information on the Integrated Care Fund.</p>	<p>Susan Cooper Corporate Director Social Services and Wellbeing;</p>