

APPENDIX A

CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE (CYP) OVSC - ANNUAL FORWARD WORK PROGRAMME – DRAFT – POSSIBLE AREAS FOR INCLUSION

	Date	Topic		Invitees
1	29 July 2015	Rationalisation of Learner Transport	<p>Previous recommendations of Scrutiny have proposed the rationalisation of school transport particularly in reference to transport for pupils with ALN, (taxis etc). Report detailing the current review of all learner transport to rationalise and make savings.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Deborah McMillan, Corporate Director – Education and Transformation • Cllr Huw David, Deputy Leader • Kevin Mulcahy, Group Manager Highways • Nicola Echanis, Head of Strategy Commissioning and Partnerships • Fran Jones,
2	29 July 2015	Edge of Care	<p>Update on progress with the Connecting Families Edge of Care work – links to the Early Help Strategy and the Committee’s role in monitoring preventative work.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Deborah McMillan, Corporate Director – Education and Transformation • Cllr Hailey Townsend, Cabinet Member, Childrens Social Services and Equalities • Nicola Echanis, Head of Strategy Commissioning and Partnerships • Mark Lewis, Group Manager Integrated Working and Family
3	23 September 2015	Recruitment and Retention of Social Workers	<p>Recruitment and Retention of Social Workers – Further detailed examination of the key issues affecting recruitment and retention, update on recruitments and retention project etc. <i>(Following on from meeting in October where Committee made comments and recommendations – real evidential proof as to what the issues affecting recruitment and retention actually are - is</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Susan Cooper, Corporate Director, Social Services and Wellbeing • Cllr Hailey Townsend, Cabinet Member, Childrens Social Services and Equalities • Colin Turner, Head of Safeguarding and Family Support

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			<i>pay the real issue?, information relating to other LAs etc, in order to support or amend the recommendations)</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Debra Beeke, Workforce Development Manager • Ian Vaughan, HR Officer – Workforce Development • Trade Union Representative for Social Workers
4	23 September 2015	Youth Engagement and Progression Framework (Formerly NEETs) and Youth Services Review Update	<p>Update on the development and implementation of the Youth Engagement and Progression Framework action plan.</p> <p>Results of Youth Services Review consultation before it is presented to Cabinet for a decision.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Deborah McMillan, Corporate Director – Education and Transformation • Cllr Huw David, Deputy Leader • Nicola Echanis, Head of Strategy Commissioning and Partnerships • Mark Lewis, Partnership Manager Integrated Partnership Support Team
5	4 November 2015	Residential Remodelling	<p>Budget reduction proposed for 2015-16: Reduction in the number of residential care beds provided within the authority and an increases in evidenced based therapeutic interventions to prevent the need for children to come into residential care.</p> <p>Members requested that they receive further detailed information relating to the remodelling of Children’s Residential Care as soon as possible in the new year.</p> <p><i>(awaiting rewording from Sue)</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Susan Cooper, Corporate Director, Social Services and Wellbeing • Cllr Hailey Townsend, Cabinet Member, Childrens Social Services and Equalities • Colin Turner, Head of Safeguarding and Family Support • Natalie Silcox, Group Manager, Childrens Regulated Services • Ian Oliver, Group Manager Commissioning and Transformation (provisional)
6	4 November 2015	Permanency and Placement Strategy and Early Help	<p>Monitoring of action plans – what outcomes have been achieved as a result of this preventative work? What evidence is there to support this? Eg. Reduced numbers of CIN/LAC, reduced number of placements, increase in adoptions. Budget reduction CH25: Reduction in</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Susan Cooper, Corporate Director, Social Services and Wellbeing • Deborah McMillan, Corporate Director – Education and Transformation • Cllr Hailey Townsend, Cabinet Member,

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		Strategy Updates	Safeguarding LAC numbers and related reduction in costs. Detail regarding the joining up of the two strategies into one – update on reorganisations and restructures	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Childrens Social Services and Equalities • Cllr Huw David, Deputy Leader • Colin Turner, Head of Safeguarding and Family Support • Nicola Echanis, Head of Strategy Commissioning and Partnerships
7&8	3 December 2015	Directorate Budget Consultation Process	MTFS Proposals for 2016-17	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Susan Cooper, Corporate Director, Social Services and Wellbeing • Deborah McMillan, Corporate Director – Education and Transformation • Cllr Huw David, Deputy Leader • Cllr Hailey Townsend, Cabinet Member, Childrens Social Services and Equalities • Colin Turner, Head of Safeguarding and Family Support • Nicola Echanis, Head of Strategy Commissioning and Partnerships
9	5 January 2016	Annual School Performance (plus Attendance Strategy update)	Annual school performance report from CSC (content TBC following workshop session between Committee Members and CSC). Possibly also include update on Attendance Strategy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Deborah McMillan, Corporate Director – Education and Transformation • Cllr Huw David, Deputy Leader • Sue Roberts, Group Manager – School Improvement • Paul Wolstenholme, Bridgend Link Adviser • Robert Hopkins, Head of Service, CSC • Nicola Echanis, Head of Strategy Commissioning and Partnerships
10	5 January 2016	Schools Task Group	Committee to be presented with the options being put forward for consultation for comment prior to being agreed for consultation by Cabinet as well as details of the	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Deborah McMillan, Corporate Director – Education and Transformation • Cllr Huw David, Deputy Leader • Nicola Echanis, Head of Strategy Commissioning and Partnerships

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			planned consultation process.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sue Roberts, Group Manager – School Improvement • John Fabes, Group Manager 14-19
11	9 March 2016	Education of LAC	Priority arisen out of Business Planning Process – IP2 Working Together To Raise Ambitions And Drive Up Educational Achievement – Joint report between Education and Children’s Social Services providing evidence of the work that is being undertaken and the support that is being provided to target and raise educational performance for children in care.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Deborah McMillan, Corporate Director – Education and Transformation • Susan Cooper, Corporate Director, Social Services and Wellbeing • Cllr Huw David, Deputy Leader • Cllr Hailey Townsend, Cabinet Member, Childrens Social Services and Equalities • Colin Turner, Head of Safeguarding and Family Support • Michelle Hatcher, Group Manager, Inclusion • Bev Jones, Team Manager, LACE • Representative Headteacher – Virtual Head - advocate for LAC
12	9 March 2016	FSM Attainment Gap	Priority arisen out of Business Planning Process – IP2 Working Together To Raise Ambitions And Drive Up Educational Achievement – report detailing the work that is being undertaken and the support that is being provided to target and raise educational performance for children from socially deprived backgrounds – how do schools differentiate work for those who are in receipt of FSM? What specific support are they offering these pupils?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Deborah McMillan, Corporate Director – Education and Transformation • Cllr Huw David, Deputy Leader • Nicola Echanis, Head of Strategy Commissioning and Partnerships • Sue Roberts, Group Manager – School Improvement • Michelle Hatcher, Group Manager, Inclusion • Lead Officer in CSC, (possibly Paul Wolstenholme)

Extra items

1. Schools Task Group - Outcome of consultation and any proposed decision going before Cabinet – (schedule for this will not be confirmed until September 2015).
2. Exclusions in Schools – Deferred from 11 May meeting due to report containing insufficient information.
3. Nursery Education Years Provision – as yet the Directorate do not know if this will be considered this year – if so, the Committee will need to consider it a priority and factor it into the FWP
4. Child Sexual Exploitation – Members have tasked Cllr Martyn Jones as ‘Champion’ on this issue – continued communication with Cllr Jones will enable a link with the Joint task Group which will can in turn feedback to the Committee if required. Corporate Parenting Cabinet Committee are also looking at this subject in detail – care needs to be taken not to duplicate this work, (Scrutiny Committee already have a Champion on this Cabinet Committee who could also feedback on this subject as necessary).
5. Equality in Schools – is being considered by the Equalities Committee but has been raised as an issue specific to schools with issues around its education/training under PSE, (links also to other areas and issues of PSE)
6. Report on the Consortia - detailing what services are being transferred to them, as well as Estyn’s report on the Consortium.
7. Childrens Change Programme (Could just be a presentation outside of Committee)
8. Teenage Pregnancies?? – Possible LSB project??

Non Service Area Reports

Date	Topic	
29 July 2015	Scrutiny Annual FWP	To present to the Committee with suggested topics for consideration in the development of its Forward Work Programme for 2015-16.
29 July 2015	Corporate Parenting Champion Nomination	To cover nominations for Corporate Parenting Champion
9 March 2016	Consolidated Nomination Report for SSARF and	To cover nominations for SSARF and BREP

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	BREP	
9 March 2016	Annual Recommendations Monitoring Report	
4 November 2015	Member and School Engagement Panel	Annual Report on the key findings of the Member and School Engagement Panel
9 March 2016	Rota Visiting	<p>Rota Visiting entails Members undertaking visits to Children’s residential establishments in pairs and providing written reports for noting or action.</p> <p>It is important that Members contribute to the safeguarding of our vulnerable children and help to ensure that the quality of care provided is appropriate. It is essential that opportunities are presented for Members to meet with people who receive services from us to listen to their views. The Committee receive an annual report on the rota visiting scheme which provides a synopsis of members’ reports on establishments visited.</p>
23 September 2015	Feedback from SSARF Panel	<p>The framework, put in place by the Care and Social Services Inspectorate Wales (CCSIW), involves formal engagement with Scrutiny, through the following three stages:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • As an essential element of the “challenge” groups judging the accuracy of the initial judgements on our effectiveness • Agreeing a statement of findings over the year that should be considered by the Director • Providing comments on to the final draft report prior to reporting to Cabinet and publication. <p>In previous years, it was agreed that this work should be undertaken through a joint Research and Evaluation Panel with what is now the Adult Social Care Overview & Scrutiny Committee with the key findings reported back to the Committee.</p>

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Twice yearly	Corporate Parenting Champion Update	<p>At the Corporate Parenting Cabinet Committee inaugural meeting, they requested that a Corporate Parenting “Champion” be nominated from each of the Overview and Scrutiny Committees to become permanent invitees to the Cabinet Committee.</p> <p>The role of the Scrutiny Champion is to represent their relevant Overview and Scrutiny Committee, partaking in discussions with Cabinet over items relating to children in care and care leavers.</p> <p>In this role, it is also suggested that Champions provide regular updates to their Committees to ensure that Members are informed of the ongoing work of the Cabinet-Committee and particularly any decisions or changes which they should be aware of as Corporate Parents.</p>