

Scrutiny for Policies, Children and Families Committee

Friday 13 September 2019

10.00 am Library Meeting Room, Taunton Library



To: The Members of the Scrutiny for Policies, Children and Families Committee

Cllr L Redman (Chair), Cllr R Williams (Vice-Chair), Cllr M Dimery, Cllr N Hewitt-Cooper, Cllr James Hunt, Cllr J Lock, Cllr W Wallace, Cllr J Williams.
Mr P Elliott, Ms Helen Fenn, Mrs Ruth Hobbs and Mrs Eillean Tipper.

All Somerset County Council Members are invited to attend meetings of the Cabinet and Scrutiny Committees.

Issued By Scott Wooldridge, Strategic Manager - Governance and Risk - 5 September 2019

For further information about the meeting, please contact Neil Milne on 01823 359045 or ndmilne@somerset.gov.uk

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This meeting will be open to the public and press, subject to the passing of any resolution under Section 100A (4) of the Local Government Act 1972.

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AGENDA

Item Scrutiny for Policies, Children and Families Committee - 10.00 am Friday 13 September 2019

**** Public Guidance notes contained in agenda annexe ****

1 **Apologies for Absence**

to receive Members' apologies

2 **Declarations of Interest**

Details of all Members' interests in District, Town and Parish Councils will be displayed in the meeting room. The Statutory Register of Member's Interests can be inspected via the Community Governance team.

3 **Minutes from the previous meeting** (Pages 5 - 6)

The Committee is asked to confirm the minutes are accurate.

4 **Public Question Time**

The Chairman will allow members of the public to ask a question or make a statement about any matter on the agenda for this meeting. **These questions may be taken during the meeting, when the relevant agenda item is considered, at the Chairman's discretion.**

5 **Scrutiny Work Programme** (Pages 7 - 24)

To discuss any items for the forthcoming work programme. To assist the discussion, the following documents are attached:

- a) – The Cabinet's latest published forward plan;
- b) – Current Work Programme for the Committee;
- c) – Outcome Tracker.

6 **Early Help Strategic Commissioning Board Update**

To receive an update.

7 **Any other urgent items of business**

The Chair may raise any items of urgent business.

Guidance notes for the meeting

1. Inspection of Papers

Any person wishing to inspect Minutes, reports, or the background papers for any item on the Agenda should contact the Committee Administrator for the meeting on 01823 359045 or email: democraticservices@somerset.gov.uk
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2. Members' Code of Conduct requirements

When considering the declaration of interests and their actions as a councillor, Members are reminded of the requirements of the Members' Code of Conduct and the underpinning Principles of Public Life: Honesty; Integrity; Selflessness; Objectivity; Accountability; Openness; Leadership. The Code of Conduct can be viewed at: <http://www.somerset.gov.uk/organisation/key-documents/the-councils-constitution/>

3. Minutes of the Meeting

Details of the issues discussed and recommendations made at the meeting will be set out in the Minutes, which the Committee will be asked to approve as a correct record at its next meeting.

4. Public Question Time

If you wish to speak at this meeting, please tell the Committee's Administrator by 5.00pm on Monday 9 September.

At the Chair of the Committee's invitation you may ask questions and/or make statements or comments about any matter on the Committee's agenda – providing you have given the required notice. You may also present a petition on any matter within the Committee's remit. The length of public question time will be no more than 30 minutes in total.

A slot for Public Question Time is set aside near the beginning of the meeting, after the minutes of the previous meeting have been signed. However, questions or statements about any matter on the Agenda for this meeting may be taken at the time when each matter is considered.

You must direct your questions and comments through the Chair. You may not take a direct part in the debate. The Chair will decide when public participation is to finish.

If there are many people present at the meeting for one particular item, the Chair may adjourn the meeting to allow views to be expressed more freely. If an item on the Agenda is contentious, with a large number of people attending the meeting, a representative should be nominated to present the views of a group.

An issue will not be deferred just because you cannot be present for the meeting. Remember that the amount of time you speak will be restricted, normally to two minutes only.

5. **Exclusion of Press & Public**

If when considering an item on the Agenda, the Committee may consider it appropriate to pass a resolution under Section 100A (4) Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 that the press and public be excluded from the meeting on the basis that if they were present during the business to be transacted there would be a likelihood of disclosure of exempt information, as defined under the terms of the Act.

6. **Committee Rooms & Council Chamber and hearing aid users**

To assist hearing aid users the meeting rooms have infra-red audio transmission systems. To use this facility you need a hearing aid set to the T position.

7. **Recording of meetings**

The Council supports the principles of openness and transparency. It allows filming, recording and taking photographs at its meetings that are open to the public - providing this is done in a non-disruptive manner. Members of the public may use Facebook and Twitter or other forms of social media to report on proceedings and a designated area will be provided for anyone wishing to film part or all of the proceedings.

No filming or recording may take place when the press and public are excluded for that part of the meeting. As a matter of courtesy to the public, anyone wishing to film or record proceedings is asked to provide reasonable notice to the Committee Administrator so that the relevant Chair can inform those present at the start of the meeting.

We would ask that, as far as possible, members of the public aren't filmed unless they are playing an active role such as speaking within a meeting and there may be occasions when speaking members of the public request not to be filmed.

The Council will be undertaking audio recording of some of its meetings in County Hall as part of its investigation into a business case for the recording and potential webcasting of meetings in the future.

A copy of the Council's Recording of Meetings Protocol should be on display at the meeting for inspection, alternatively contact the Committee Administrator for the meeting in advance.

SCRUTINY FOR POLICIES, CHILDREN AND FAMILIES COMMITTEE SUMMARY OF DECISIONS

19 July 2019
(Published on 22 July 2019)

Item No.	Title
3	Minutes from the previous meeting
	DECISION The Committee agreed that the minutes of the last meeting and the Vice Chair signed them. No actions
4	Public Question Time
	DECISION None. No actions
5	Scrutiny Work Programme
	DECISION The Committee requested an update on the possible joint meeting with Adults and Health Scrutiny Committee regarding transition between children and adult services. Action – Jamie Jackson / Neil Milne i) SEND workshop to be rearranged. Action – Jamie Jackson / Neil Milne ii) Request for Director to consider one workshop for members and then one to report to the Committee in public. Action Julian Wooster
6	2019/20 Revenue Budget Monitoring - Month 2 Report
	DECISION Committee considered recommendations and requested it be reflected in the minutes that the Committee is aware of the reprofiled budgets for 2019/20 and the current overspend in the Children's Services budget, but requested that Cabinet be mindful of Value for Money from the service. No Actions.
7	Any other urgent items of business

Item No.	Title
	DECISION None. No actions

Somerset County Council Forward Plan of proposed Key Decisions

The County Council is required to set out details of planned key decisions at least 28 calendar days before they are due to be taken. This forward plan sets out key decisions to be taken at Cabinet meetings as well as individual key decisions to be taken by either the Leader, a Cabinet Member or an Officer. The very latest details can always be found on our website at:

<http://democracy.somerset.gov.uk/mgListPlans.aspx?RPId=134&RD=0&FD=1&bcr=1>

Regulation 8 of the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012 defines a key decision as an executive decision which is likely:

(a) to result in the relevant local authority incurring expenditure which is, or the making of savings which are, significant having regard to the relevant local authority's budget for the service or function to which the decision relates; or

(b) to be significant in terms of its effects on communities living or working in an area comprising two or more wards or electoral divisions in the area of the relevant local authority.

The Council has decided that the relevant threshold at or above which the decision is significant will be £500,000 for capital / revenue expenditure or savings. Money delegated to schools as part of the Scheme of Financial Management of Schools exercise is exempt from these thresholds once it is delegated to the school.

Cabinet meetings are held in public at County Hall unless Cabinet resolve for all or part of the meeting to be held in private in order to consider exempt information/confidential business. The Forward Plan will show where this is intended. Agendas and reports for Cabinet meetings are also published on the Council's website at least five clear working days before the meeting date.

Individual key decisions that are shown in the plan as being proposed to be taken "not before" a date will be taken within a month of that date, with the requirement that a report setting out the proposed decision will be published on the Council's website at least five working days before the date of decision. Any representations received will be considered by the decision maker at the decision meeting.

In addition to key decisions, the forward plan shown below lists other business that is scheduled to be considered at a Cabinet meeting during the period of the Plan, which will also include reports for information. The monthly printed plan is updated on an ad hoc basis during each month. *Where possible the County Council will attempt to keep to the dates shown in the Plan. It is quite likely, however, that some items will need to be rescheduled and new items added as new circumstances come to light.* Please ensure therefore that you refer to the most up to date plan.

For general enquiries about the Forward Plan:

- You can view it on the County Council web site at <http://democracy.somerset.gov.uk/mgListPlans.aspx?RPId=134&RD=0&FD=1&bcr=1>
- You can arrange to inspect it at County Hall (in Taunton).
- Alternatively, copies can be obtained from Scott Wooldridge or Michael Bryant in the Democratic Services Team by telephoning (01823) 357628 or 359500.

To view the Forward Plan on the website you will need a copy of Adobe Acrobat Reader available free from www.adobe.com
Please note that it could take up to 2 minutes to download this PDF document depending on your Internet connection speed.

To make representations about proposed decisions:

Please contact the officer identified against the relevant decision in the Forward Plan to find out more information or about how your representations can be made and considered by the decision maker.

The Agenda and Papers for Cabinet meetings can be found on the County Council's website at:
<http://democracy.somerset.gov.uk/ieListMeetings.aspx?CId=134&Year=0>

Weekly version of plan published on 3 September 2019

FP Refs	Decision Date/Maker	Details of the proposed decision	Documents and background papers to be available to decision maker	Does the decision contain any exempt information requiring it to be considered in private?	Contact Officer for any representations to be made ahead of the proposed decision
FP/19/07/04 First published: 16 July 2019	28 Aug 2019 Public Health Director	Issue: Future of Targeted Sexual Prevention Services for Sexual Health Decision: To agree on options put forward on the future of targeted prevention services for sexual health and support to people living with HIV	Targeted Prevention Services for Sexual Health		Michelle Hawkes, Public Health Specialist Tel: 01823 357236
fp/19/05/12 First published: 31 May 2019	29 Aug 2019 Cabinet Member for Children and Families	Issue: Revision of the number of early years places developers will be required to fund for children from new housing developments in Somerset Decision: To agree to increase the number of early years places developers will be required to fund for children from new housing developments, from 5 places per 100 dwellings to 9 places per 100 dwellings.	EY & SEND Contribution		Julia Balmford
FP/19/07/05 First published: 22 July 2019	9 Sep 2019 Director of Children's Services	Issue: Award of Contract - Hydrotherapy Pool Selworthy School Decision: Agree to award the contract for the delivery of the pool to Futures for Somerset.	Award of Contract - Hazelbrook Pool		Phil Curd, Service Manager: Specialist Provision and School Transport Tel: 01823 355165

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<p>FP/19/07/16 First published: 7 August 2019</p>	<p>Not before 12th Sep 2019 Cabinet Member for Children and Families</p>	<p>Issue: Frome Autism and Communications Base Decision: Cabinet Member will be asked to approve the decision to retain the Communication base and Autism Base in Frome (retracting a very historic closure decision). This decision would also agree a capital investment programme to improve both facilities as well as inviting parents to a co-production session in order to improve provision at both bases.</p>			<p>Vicky Thomas, Strategic Manager - Support for Educational Improvement and Commercial Development</p>
<p>FP/19/07/06 First published: 22 July 2019</p>	<p>23 Sep 2019 Cabinet Member for Education and Council Transformation</p>	<p>Issue: Creation of New Academies in Somerset Decision: The Secretary of State for Education has directed via an Academy Order, the conversion to Academy Status for the following schools.</p>			<p>Elizabeth Smith, Service Manager – Schools Commissioning Tel: 01823 356260</p>
<p>Fp/19/07/12 First published: 30 July 2019</p>	<p>25 Sep 2019 Cabinet</p>	<p>Issue: Joint Strategic Needs Assessment Decision: Agree the Report</p>			<p>Pip Tucker, Public Health Specialist Tel: 01823 359449</p>
<p>FP/19/05/09 First published: 28 May 2019</p>	<p>25 Sep 2019 Cabinet</p>	<p>Issue: Q1+1 Performance Report Decision: To agree the report</p>			<p>Simon Clifford, Customers & Communities Director Tel: 01823359166</p>

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FP/19/06/05 First published: 17 June 2019	25 Sep 2019 Cabinet	Issue: Month 4 (Q1+1) Revenue Budget Monitoring Decision: To consider the report			Interim Finance Director
FP/19/06/09 First published: 17 June 2019	25 Sep 2019 Cabinet	Issue: Month 4 Capital Budget Monitoring Decision: To consider the report			Interim Finance Director
FP19/08/01 First published: 12 August 2019	Not before 30th Sep 2019 Cabinet Member for Resources and Economic Development	Issue: Connecting Devon and Somerset (CDS) Superfast Extension Programme (SEP) Phase 2: decision to introduce additional funding into the Lot 4 contract. Decision: To approve the introduction of additional funding into the Lot 4 Contract.			Katriona Lovelock, Economic Development Officer Tel: 01823 359873
FP19/07/14 First published: 31 July 2019	30 Sep 2019 Cabinet Member for Resources	Issue: Sale of Morgan House site, Bridgwater, including former library office. Decision: Authority to proceed to sale of the surplus SCC Property, namely the Morgan House Site, Bridgwater, including Bridgwater library offices			Charlie Field, Estates Manager, Corporate Property Tel: 01823355325

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<p>FP19/07/07 First published: 23 July 2019</p>	<p>Not before 30th Sep 2019 Cabinet Member for Resources</p>	<p>Issue: Sale of The Court and Popham House property, Wellington Decision: Authority to proceed to sale of the surplus SCC Property, previously known as the Popham Court Care Home, comprising of The Court and Popham House in Wellington.</p>			<p>Charlie Field, Estates Manager, Corporate Property Tel: 01823355325</p>
<p>FP19/09/05 First published: 3 September 2019</p>	<p>13 Nov 2019 Cabinet Member for Economic Development, Planning and Community Infrastructure</p>	<p>Issue: SCC Endorsement of the Heart of the South West Local Industrial Strategy Decision: SCC endorsement of the Heart of the South West (HotSW) Local Industrial Strategy (LIS). The HotSW LIS has been developed by the Local Enterprise Partnership in coordination with local partners and stakeholders, including SCC, and in partnership with Government.</p>			<p>James Gilgrist</p>
<p>FP/19/07/09 First published: 30 July 2019</p>	<p>Not before 1st Nov 2019 Cabinet Member for Economic Development, Planning and Community Infrastructure</p>	<p>Issue: Decision to authorise the allocation of funding for the development of the Taunton Innovation Geospatial Centre. Decision: To allocate funding for the development of the Taunton Innovation Geospatial Centre. This will be used to both develop the project and act as matching funding for an ERDF grant funding application.</p>			<p>Samantha Seddon, Service Manager-Economy</p>

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<p>FP/19/07/10 First published: 30 July 2019</p>	<p>Not before 1st Nov 2019 Cabinet Member for Economic Development, Planning and Community Infrastructure</p>	<p>Issue: Decision to authorise the allocation of funding for the development of the Chard Enterprise Centre. Decision: Decision to authorise the allocation of funding for the development of the Chard Enterprise Centre.</p>			<p>Katriona Lovelock, Economic Development Officer Tel: 01823 359873</p>
<p>FP/19/07/11 First published: 30 July 2019</p>	<p>1 Nov 2019 Cabinet Member for Children and Families</p>	<p>Issue: Approval of Somerset Youth Justice Plan 2018/19 Decision: Approval of Somerset Youth Justice Plan 2018/19</p>			<p>Lise Bird, Strategic Manager - Prevention,</p>
<p>19/09/04 First published: 3 September 2019</p>	<p>Not before 1st Nov 2019 Cabinet Member for Highways and Transport</p>	<p>Issue: Decision to accept the Heart of the South West Local Enterprise Partnership Local Growth Fund Award towards the Creech Castle junction improvements (Toneway Corridor phase 1) Decision: That the Director of Commissioning and Lead Commissioner for Economic and Community Infrastructure and Interim Director of Finance & Performance agree to accept the Local Growth Fund Award by signing an agreement with the Heart of the South West Local Enterprise Partnership.</p>			<p>Sunita Mills, Service Commissioning Manager Tel: 01823 359763</p>

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FP19/07/08 First published: 25 July 2019	1 Nov 2019 Cabinet Member for Children and Families	Issue: Increased Budget - Bridgwater Special School Decision: Agree to increase the project budget in line with increased construction costs.			Phil Curd, Service Manager: Specialist Provision and School Transport Tel: 01823 355165
FP19/09/03 First published: 3 September 2019	1 Nov 2019 Cabinet Member for Children and Families	Issue: Increased Project Budgets - Bridgwater Special School, Somerton Primary School, Bridgwater College Academy Decision: Agree to increase the project budgets in line with increased construction costs.			Phil Curd, Service Manager: Specialist Provision and School Transport Tel: 01823 355165
FP/19/07/01 First published: 2 July 2019	Not before 1st Nov 2019 Cabinet Member for Highways and Transport	Issue: Decision to extend the Term Maintenance Contract for Highways Lighting maintenance services Decision: Somerset County Council's existing maintenance contract for highways street lighting is due to end in March 2020. The contract allows for up to a 48-month extension. This decision proposes that the Council should use this option to extend the contract.			Neil Guild, Highways Asset Improvement Officer

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<p>FP/18/11/11 First published: 21 November 2018</p>	<p>Not before 1st Nov 2019 Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care</p>	<p>Issue: Decision to conclude the establishment of an Open Framework Agreement for Reablement Providers in Somerset Decision: To award an open framework that will ensure continued and new supply of reablement care across the county, mirroring the current arrangement for homecare. This follows interim contractual arrangements that were put in place following the unsuccessful</p>			<p>Tim Baverstock, Strategic Commissioning Manager - Strategic Commissioning</p>
<p>FP/19/01/12 First published: 5 February 2019</p>	<p>Not before 1st Nov 2019 Cabinet Member for Public Health and Wellbeing</p>	<p>Issue: Adoption of the Somerset Air Quality Statement Decision: To agree the adoption of the statement</p>			<p>Stewart Brock, Public Health Specialist, Public Health Tel: 01823357235</p>
<p>FP/19/04/13 First published: 29 April 2019</p>	<p>Not before 1st Nov 2019 Cabinet Member for Economic Development, Planning and Community Infrastructure</p>	<p>Issue: Decision to appoint a contractor from a framework for the delivery of the Bruton Enterprise Centre Decision: To agree to appoint a supplier for the delivery of the Bruton Enterprise Centre</p>			<p>Katriona Lovelock, Economic Development Officer Tel: 01823 359873</p>

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<p>FP/19/01/02 First published: 3 January 2019</p>	<p>Not before 1st Nov 2019 Interim Finance Director</p>	<p>Issue: Acceptance of European Regional Development Funding for the Heart of the South West Inward Investment Project Decision: Approval for Somerset County Council (SCC), in its capacity as the accountable body for the Heart of the South West Local Enterprise Partnership, to accept £1,181,308 of European Regional Development Funding (ERDF) for the Heart of the South West Inward Investment Project and to enter into an associated funding agreement with the Ministry for Housing, Communities and Local Government (MHCLG)</p>	<p>Heart of the South West Inward Investment Project</p>		<p>Paul Hickson, Strategic Manager - Economy and Planning Tel: 07977 400838</p>
<p>FP/19/03/03 First published: 26 March 2019</p>	<p>Not before 1st Nov 2019 Director for Economic and Community Infrastructure Commissioning, Interim Finance Director</p>	<p>Issue: Somerset Energy Innovation Centre (Phase 3) - acceptance of Growth Deal 3 Funding Decision: Approves acceptance of Heart of the South West Growth Deal 3 funding £2,542,755 for the development of phase 3 of the Somerset Energy Innovation Centre and approve the decision to proceed with the construction of SEIC 3</p>			<p>Julie Wooler, Economic Development & Strategic Tourism Officer</p>

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FP/18/04/06 First published: 30 April 2018	Not before 1st Nov 2019 Director of Commissioning and Lead Commissioner for Economic Community Infrastructure	Issue: Procurement of the HotSW Growth Hub Service Decision: To undertake the procurement of a Business Support Service (Growth Hub) on behalf of the HotSW LEP			Melanie Roberts, Service Manager - Economic Policy Tel: 01823359209
FP/19/06/02 First published: 14 June 2019	1 Nov 2019 Director of Children's Services, ECI Commissioning Director	Issue: Approval to submit the full application for European Social Funding, under Priority Axis 1 - Inclusive Labour Markets (1.2) Decision: To consider this report			Melanie Roberts, Service Manager - Economic Policy Tel: 01823359209
FP/19/04/01 First published: 3 April 2019	Not before 1st Nov 2019 Director of Corporate Affairs	Issue: The award of a contract for the provision of replacement end of life mobile devices & connections Decision: To approve the award of a three-year contract.	Replacement mobile devices		Andy Kennell Tel: 01823359268
FP/10/01/11 First published: 5 February 2019	Not before 1st Nov 2019 Cabinet Member for Education and Council Transformation	Issue: Bridgwater College Academy Expansion - Funding Decision: To agree funding as required			Elizabeth Smith, Service Manager – Schools Commissioning Tel: 01823 356260

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<p>FP/18/11/10 First published: 20 November 2018</p>	<p>Not before 1st Nov 2019 Cabinet Member for Economic Development, Planning and Community Infrastructure, Economic and Community Infrastructure Commissioning Director</p>	<p>Issue: Decision to approve revisions to the Connecting Devon and Somerset phase 2 deployment contracts Decision: To approve revisions to the Connecting Devon and Somerset phase 2 deployment contracts</p>			<p>Nathaniel Lucas, Senior Economic Development Officer Tel: 01823359210</p>
<p>FP/19/07/03 First published: 16 July 2019</p>	<p>1 Nov 2019 Cabinet Member for Highways and Transport</p>	<p>Issue: Implementation of New Street Works Permitting System Decision: We are responding to a request from the Secretary of State for Transport to replace our existing Street Works Noticing system with a Street Works Permitting system in line with other Highway Authorities</p>			<p>Bev Norman, Service Manager - Traffic Management, Traffic & Transport Development Tel: 01823358089</p>
<p>FP/19/07/13 First published: 30 July 2019</p>	<p>Not before 1st Nov 2019 Cabinet Member for Strategy, Customers and Communities</p>	<p>Issue: Revision of Corporate Complaints Policy Decision: A periodical update to the Council's complaints policy. Key changes are a switch in title from a 'procedure' to a 'policy', a change in the stage 1 resolution target time from 10 working days to 20 working days and the addition of a quality control process at stage 1.</p>			<p>Rebecca Martin, Service manager- Customer Experience & Information Governance</p>

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<p>FP/19/07/15 First published: 7 August 2019</p>	<p>Not before 1st Nov 2019 Cabinet Member for Public Health and Wellbeing</p>	<p>Issue: Decision to Award of Contract for the Somerset Integrated Domestic Abuse Service Decision: The Cabinet Member for Public Health and Wellbeing will be asked to make a decision to award the contract for the countywide specialist domestic abuse support service known as SIDAS. This will be a 3 year contract with an option to extend for 2 years plus another 2 years.</p>			<p>Lucy Macready, Public Health Specialist- Community Safety Tel: 01823 359146</p>
<p>FP/19/05/10 First published: 28 May 2019</p>	<p>18 Nov 2019 Cabinet</p>	<p>Issue: Q2 Performance Report Decision: To agree the report.</p>			<p>Simon Clifford, Customers & Communities Director Tel: 01823359166</p>
<p>FP/19/08/02 First published: 20 August 2019</p>	<p>18 Nov 2019 Cabinet</p>	<p>Issue: Heart of the South West Joint Committee - Governance Arrangements & Budgetary Position Decision: To approve amendments to functions and note the updated budget position</p>			<p>Scott Wooldridge, Strategic Manager Governance & Risk and Council's Monitoring Officer Tel: 01823 359043</p>

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Scrutiny for Policies Children and Families Committee Work Programme

Committee meetings		Lead Member & Officer
18 October		
Troubled Families Programme update		Gill Bawler
West Somerset Opportunity Area update		Julia Ridge
Syrian Vulnerable Persons Resettlement Scheme Update		Orla Dunn
CYPP Update 2019-2022 – Year 1 Quarter 1		Fiona Phur
Finance update report – Month 4		Lizzie Watkin
15 November		
Annual Somerset Safeguarding Children Board		Sally Halls
New Safeguarding arrangements		Caroline Dowson
Children’s Social Care Statutory Customer Feedback report		Rebecca Martin
Scrutiny review report		Jamie Jackson
13 December		
CYPP Update 2019-2022 – Year 1 Quarter 2		Fiona Phur
CYP Mental Health Local Transformation Plan		John Dunning
Safe routes to school		Mike O’Dowd-Jones
Finance update report – Month 6 (quarter 2)		Lizzie Watkin
24 January 2020		
13 March		
24 April		
15 May		

(What impact does that have on Children in Somerset?)

Scrutiny for Policies Children and Families Committee Work Programme

12 June		

Note: Members of the Scrutiny Committee and all other Members of Somerset County Council are invited to contribute items for inclusion in the work programme. Please contact Democratic Services (01823) 359500 & democraticservices@somerset.gov.uk who will assist you in submitting your item.

Possible future items:

A Joint meeting with Adults & Health Scrutiny Committee: CAHMS service;
 Immunisations;
 Oral health;
 Transitions Plans for LD service users (18-25) going in to Adult Services;
 The impact on Children and Families of the next stage of migration/roll out of Universal Credit.

(What impact does that have on Children in Somerset?)

Scrutiny for Policies Children & Families Committee Outcome Tracker

Agenda items	Action owner	Agreed Outcome	RAG Status
22 July 2016			
Unaccompanied Asylum-Seeking Children (UASC)	Scrutiny Manager	There was a suggestion that the Council consider approaching the local Muslim Community to work with and offer advice on this area and that such a representative might also be invited to become a co-opted Member of the Committee.	Pending – this is being progressed with the Equalities Officer
26 April 2019			
Regional Adoption Agency	Suzanne Lyus	The update was accepted, and the Chair suggested, and it was agreed that an update report be provided in 6 months.	Pending
17 May 2019			
SEND Update	Annette Perrington	The Committee accepted the update and welcomed the offer of a 'SEND workshop' and a Q&A session, Members were encouraged to think about possible questions, and areas they would like to discuss in more detail.	Pending – workshop session at 17 July meeting
Somerset Children's Trust – revised safeguarding arrangements	Caroline Dowson	The Committee agreed that it would like to receive a further report on this topic to include details on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the future framework and detail particularly regarding scrutiny; • how the voice of the child would be heard; • assurances concerning the new governance arrangements; and • how risk would be managed. 	Completed – report to June meeting
14 June 2019			
Work Programme		The Committee agreed that the next meeting would be a 2 agenda item meeting with a financial budget monitoring report, with a 2 hour SEND workshop. Health and Wellbeing Board members would be invited.	Completed – September mtg

Scrutiny for Policies Children & Families Committee Outcome Tracker

Self-Harm Update	Clerk	It was requested that the Life Hacks website details be circulated. A question was asked about the comparison rates for young males regarding self-harm and it was stated details would be provided. There was a discussion about Your Somerset and deliveries and availability and it was stated further details would be provided.	Completed Completed
Proposals to implement the new Somerset Safeguarding Children Partnership arrangements		The Chair and Vice Chair undertook to meet with the DCS and Portfolio holder outside of the meeting to discuss the issues further and establish clarity.	Completed
19 July 2019			
Scrutiny Work Programme	Jamie Jackson	The Committee requested an update at the next meeting, on the possible joint meeting with Adults and Health Scrutiny Committee regarding transition between children and adult services.	Pending
2019/20 Revenue Budget Monitoring - Month 2 Report	Julian Wooster	The Committee considered the recommendations and noted the reprofiled budgets for 2019/20 and the current overspend in the Children's Services budget, and requested that Cabinet be mindful of ensuring Value for Money from the service.	Pending

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The new CYPP 2019-2022 had been produced following a multi-agency process, overseen by Somerset Children's Trust. The CYPP had 4 priorities: **Supported Families; Healthy Lives; A Great Education; Positive Outcomes.**

Completed	Action complete and will be removed from tracker for next meeting and retained on Master Tracker document.
Pending	Action on-going or plans in place to address.
Incomplete	No action currently in place with a minimum of 3 months since action agreed.

(Our focus is - What impact does that have on the Children in Somerset?)