

AGENDA

Meeting: Children's Select Committee
Place: Kennet Committee Room, County Hall, Trowbridge
Date: Tuesday 12 November 2019
Time: 10.30 am

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Membership:

Cllr Jon Hubbard (Chairman)	Cllr Sue Evans
Cllr Mary Champion	Cllr Hayley Illman
Cllr Andrew Davis	Cllr Chris Hurst
Cllr Christopher Devine	Cllr Jacqui Lay

Substitutes:

Cllr Pat Aves	Cllr Peter Evans
Cllr Clare Cape	Cllr Nick Fogg MBE
Cllr Trevor Carbin	Cllr Russell Hawker
Cllr Ernie Clark	Cllr Jim Lynch
Cllr Stewart Dobson	Cllr Philip Whalley

Non-Elected Voting Members:

Dr Mike Thompson	Clifton Diocesan RC Representative
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Non-Elected Non-Voting Members:

Ms Sarah Busby	Secondary Head Teacher Representative
John Hawkins	School Teacher Representative
Maisy Humphrey	Children & Young People's Representative
Declan Kiely	Children & Young People's Representative - Substitute
Catriona Williamson	Primary Head Teacher Representative
Charlotte Corfield	Non elected, non voting, Further Education Representative

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PART I

Items to be considered while the meeting is open to the public

1 **Apologies and changes of membership**

To receive any apologies or substitutions for the meeting.

2 **Election of Vice-Chairman**

To elect a vice-chairman for the Children's Select Committee.

3 **Minutes of the Previous Meeting** (*Pages 7 - 12*)

To approve and sign the minutes of the previous meeting held on 10 September 2019. (Copy attached)

4 **Declarations of Interest**

To receive any declarations of disclosable interests or dispensations granted by the Standards Committee.

5 **Chairman's Announcements**

To receive any announcements through the Chairman.

6 **Public Participation**

The Council welcomes contributions from members of the public.

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Details of any questions received will be circulated to Committee members prior to the meeting and made available at the meeting and on the Council's website.

7 **Draft Corporate Parenting Panel Annual Report**

The committee will receive the draft annual report (*report to follow*) prior to finalisation by the Corporate Parenting Panel (on 12 November 2019) and presentation to Full Council (on 26 November 2019).

8 **Higher Education Update** (*Pages 13 - 18*)

To receive an update on the activity and progress of the Swindon and Wiltshire Local Enterprise Partnership (SWLEP) higher education strategy since it was last brought to Children's Select Committee in November 2018.

9 **School Ofsted Judgements** (*Pages 19 - 24*)

The committee is provided with a report which includes information regarding the most recent Ofsted Inspection reports. It will provide an ongoing view of the effectiveness of schools as seen by Ofsted Inspection.

10 **DfE Changes - Update from Department for Education** (*Pages 25 - 30*)

A report by Terence Herbert, Corporate Director, is attached presenting an update on developments relating to children's services arising from the Department for Education.

11 **Task Group and Board Representative Updates** (*Pages 31 - 34*)

The committee will receive updates from active Task Groups and the committee's board representatives.

A report by the Senior Scrutiny Officers providing an update on Task Group Activity since the last meeting is attached.

12 **Update from Wiltshire Youth Union Representative** (*Pages 35 - 44*)

To receive an update including a summary of recent activities of the Wiltshire Assembly of Youth (WAY) Youth Safeguarding Board (YSB) and the Children in Care Council (CiCC)

13 **Forward Work Programme** (*Pages 45 - 48*)

The Committee is asked to note the attached documents showing the relevant items from the overview and scrutiny forward work programme and the latest version of the strategy list for the Children, Education and Skills directorate.

The Committee is also invited to review its forward work programme, taking into account the outcomes of the Chairman's meetings with the Cabinet Member, Portfolio Holders and Directors to review the services' priorities for the year ahead (*report to follow*).

14 **Date of Next Meeting**

To note that the next scheduled meeting is due to be held on Tuesday 21 January 2020 at County Hall, Trowbridge, starting at 10.30am.

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Urgent Items

Any other items of business which the Chairman agrees to consider as a matter of urgency.

PART II

Items during whose consideration it is recommended that the public should be excluded because of the likelihood that exempt information would be disclosed

None

CHILDREN'S SELECT COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF THE CHILDREN'S SELECT COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 10 SEPTEMBER 2019 AT KENNET COMMITTEE ROOM, COUNTY HALL, TROWBRIDGE.

Present:

Cllr Jon Hubbard (Chairman), Cllr Andrew Davis, Cllr Christopher Devine, Cllr Sue Evans, Cllr Deborah Halik, Cllr Hayley Illman, Cllr Chris Hurst, Cllr Jacqui Lay, Ms Sarah Busby, Mr John Hawkins, Cllr Peter Evans (Substitute) and Cllr Philip Whalley (Substitute)

Also Present:

Cllr Pauline Church, Cllr Mary Douglas, Cllr Alan Hill and Cllr Tony Jackson

65 Election of Vice Chairman

The Chairman reported that the following members of this Select Committee had been appointed Portfolio Holders as set out below:-

- Cllr Mary Douglas, Vice-Chairman, had been appointed Portfolio Holder for Skills and Social Mobility.
- Cllr David Halik had been appointed Portfolio Holder for Adult Social Care Transformation.
- Cllr Johnny Kidney had been appointed Portfolio Holder for Communications.

Accordingly, as members of the Executive these three councillors could no longer sit as members of this Select Committee. On behalf of the Committee, the Chairman recorded his thanks and appreciation for the work and contributions these Members had made to the work of this Committee and wished them well in their new roles.

The Chairman also referred to the resignation of Cllr Roy While due to continued ill health. He intended to write to Cllr While thanking him for his contribution to the work of this Committee and conveying Members' kind regards.

It was now necessary to elect a new Vice-Chairman to replace Cllr Mary Douglas.

Resolved:

To elect Cllr Deborah Halik as Vice-Chairman of this Committee for the remainder of the municipal year 2019/20.

66 **Apologies**

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Mary Champion and Dr Mike Thompson.

67 **Minutes of the Previous Meeting**

Resolved:

To approve and sign as a correct record the minutes of the previous meeting held on 16 July 2019.

68 **Declarations of Interest**

There were no declarations of interest made at the meeting.

69 **Chairman's Announcements**

The Chairman made the following announcements:-

Cabinet items

For information, on 23 July 2019 Cabinet considered the following item:

Provision of loan facility for Wiltshire College

Lead Officer – Simon Hendry

For information, on 17 September 2019 Cabinet would consider the following item:

Update on Outdoor Education sites

Lead Officer – Paul Redford

70 **Public Participation**

No questions had been received from councillors or members of the public.

71 **Update from Wiltshire Youth Union**

The Committee received a verbal update which included a summary of recent activities of the Wiltshire Youth Union (WYU), the Youth Safeguarding Board (YSB) and the Children in Care Council (CiCC) together with a presentation.

In particular, Members' attention was drawn to the Children in Care Fun Day which was due to be held in the Springfield Campus, Corsham on Saturday 2 November 2019 from 10.30am to 3.30pm. Full details of the Fun Day would be sent to all members of the Committee.

During discussion, Members gave their full support to the Fun Day which they hoped would be very successful.

Resolved:

To note the verbal update from the Wiltshire Youth Union.

72 **Ofsted Inspection of Local Authority Children's Services (ILACS)**

The Chairman reported that between 3rd and 19th June 2019 Wiltshire Council received an inspection of its Children's Social Care Services from Ofsted.

The Committee received the report of the Lead Inspector, Steve Lowe, which detailed the inspector's grades against the four judgement categories as follows:-

The impact of leaders on social work practice with children and families	Good
The experiences and progress of children who need help and protection	Good
The experiences and progress of children in care and care leavers	Good
Overall Effectiveness	Good

The Chairman and members of the Committee congratulated the officers on achieving a good grading but it was recognised that there was always room for improvement. It was explained that key headlines for improvement were:-

- Raising awareness of private fostering in the local community.
- The impact of services on children's health and education when they are in care.
- The clarity and accuracy of children's records when they are in care.
- The availability of suitable placements when children first come into care.
- The quality of social work supervision.

Members were pleased to note that Wiltshire Council was the only local authority in the South West to achieve a Good rating in all areas and it was anticipated that the DfE would be asking Wiltshire to help with some improvement work throughout the Region.

During discussion, some concern was expressed at delays which occurred in children accessing the Child & Adolescent Mental Health Service (CAMHS). It was suggested that the CAMHS Task Group be asked to investigate waiting times in accessing this Service and the Chairman offered to take this matter up with Cllr Phil Alford, the Task Group Chairman.

Resolved:

- (1) **To note the report from Ofsted detailing their inspection of Wiltshire Council's Children's Social Care Services.**
- (2) **To congratulate the Children's Services Team on the outcomes.**

- (3) To hold a pre-meeting briefing on the Ofsted self-assessment process immediately prior to the start of the next meeting on 12 November 2019.

73 **Update on Wiltshire Council Apprenticeships**

The Committee received a report by the Director, Human Resources & Organisational Development which provided an update on the progress on apprenticeships since the last report in January 2019 including the Council's spend against the apprenticeship levy.

It was noted that the total number of apprenticeships employed by the Council since the levy was introduced was 206, this being 185 within the Council and 21 within Wiltshire schools as at 29 August 2019. 30 of these were new recruits of which 10 had completed their training and had moved into permanent posts. Permanent employment on completion of apprenticeship training was guaranteed by the Council, which was one of the Council's selling points setting us apart from other employers. The remaining 155 were existing employees who were upskilling.

It was explained that more engagement with schools had been taking place to encourage them to use their contribution to the levy. This had so far resulted in a small increase in the number of apprenticeships but it was expected that this would continue.

Apprenticeships were continuing to be targeted to care leavers. An introduction of core skills to all role descriptions had been added after feedback had been received that care leavers were unsure of what essential criteria was needed.

The Director further reported that apprenticeships in social work were being introduced during the next year and it was anticipated that this would help with recruitment.

During discussion, Members enquired if details of apprenticeships at each level per department were available and the Director agreed to provide this for Members.

Resolved:

To note the report and the progress that had been made with the recruitment of new apprentices and the use of the levy for upskilling current staff.

74 **School Ofsted Judgements**

Consideration was given to a report which included information regarding the most recent Ofsted Inspection reports published from mid-June to 31 July 2019. It provided an ongoing view of the effectiveness of schools as seen by Ofsted Inspectors.

There had been six published school inspections since the last report which covered inspections to mid-June 2019. All six were full inspections of which two were the first inspections following conversion to academy status. It was encouraging to note that the three maintained schools were graded as good from this tranche of Ofsted inspections and had all received a robust support package from the Local Authority involving regular reviews of progress and targeted support.

Resolved:

To note the contents of the report.

75 **DfE Changes - Update from Department for Education**

The Committee received an update from the Executive Director, Children & Education on developments relating to children's services arising from the Department for Education from July to August 2019 as follows:-

- Government response to the Housing, Communities and Local Government Select Committee Report on funding of local authorities' children's services.
- School funding
- School attendance
- School improvement
- Raising standards in schools
- Review of home to school transport guidance
- Update on T-Levels
- Academies update
- Multi-academy trusts (MATs)
- Regulating independent schools
- SWE rules and standards
- Independent Inquiry into Child Sexual Abuse (IICSA) progress update
- Domestic Abuse Bill introduced to Parliament
- Serious youth violence
- Offensive Weapons Act (2019)
- New legal duty to support multi-agency action on serious violence
- Home Office relaunches County Lines campaign
- Evaluation of Regional Adoption Agencies

Resolved:

To note the update provided.

76 **Task Group and Board Representative Updates**

The Committee received updates on the activities of the following task groups:-

- Traded Services for Schools Task Group

- Child and Adolescent Mental Health (CAMHS) Task Group
- Youth Transport Task Group

Resolved:

To note the updates on the activities on task group activity provided.

77 **Forward Work Programme**

The Committee received the relevant items from the Overview & Scrutiny Forward Work Programme together with the latest version of the strategy for the Children, Education & Skills Directorate.

Resolved:

To note the Forward Work Programme for this Committee and the Children's Services Strategy List.

78 **Date of Next Meeting**

Resolved:

To note that the next scheduled meeting was due to be held on Tuesday 12 November 2019 at County Hall, Trowbridge, starting at 10.30am.

79 **Adam Brown**

The Chairman informed the meeting that Adam Brown, Senior Scrutiny Officer would shortly be leaving the employment of Wiltshire Council to take up a post in Bristol.

On behalf of the Committee, the Chairman warmly thanked Adam for his valuable contributions to the work of this Committee and wished him well in his new position.

(Duration of meeting: 10.30 am - 12.40 pm)

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Wiltshire Council

Children's Select Committee

12 November 2019

Higher Education Update

Purpose of Report

1. To provide an update on the activity and progress of the SWLEP higher education strategy since it was last brought to Children's Select Committee in November 2018.

Background

2. In 2017, the SWLEP board agreed to the direction of travel for the development of a higher education strategy for the LEP area which would focus on; meeting the skills needs of employers, raising aspirations and developing HE provision. An evidence base was subsequently commissioned which provided a thorough quantitative and qualitative analysis of the higher education landscape and upon which the strategy was based.

The final HE strategy was agreed in January 2019 and has two main aims;

1. Increase productivity:

- the area will have a sufficiently qualified workforce at higher levels
- employers will report fewer skills shortages
- the area will attract and retain talent and investment
- there will be a workforce pipeline at graduate level
- SWLEP will benefit from increased HE provision including a multi campus university and growth through the FE sector.

2. Raise aspirations and increase social mobility:

- residents will be inspired by strong local HE provision to continue their learning journey through to higher level
- higher education will be accessible i.e. flexible, affordable and close by
- residents will be able to relate the benefits of pursuing higher education to labour market opportunities, particularly in relation to Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths (STEM)
- the route to higher education will be navigable and seen to be achievable.

The council's business plan reflects these priorities in its goal to grow the economy through more apprenticeships and improved access to further and higher education.

Main Considerations for the Council

3. Since the strategy was agreed, significant activity has taken place which has progressed the implementation of the strategy and moved the area closer to achieving its goal. This is summarised below:

3.1 The Local Industrial Strategy (LIS)

The [SWLEP Draft LIS](#) under the People priorities reflects the aims of the higher education strategy:

1. Address the skills demand and supply balance

- Ensure local employers are involved with higher education to provide clearer routes between education and employment, through a business-led, multi-campus federation of HE providers
- Upskill and reskill workforce, meeting the changing needs of businesses
- Embed education pathways including T levels, apprenticeships and higher education to meet demand

2. Raise aspirations and become more inclusive

- Raise aspirations and employability of young people through Careers Hub, delivery partners (e.g. Careers Enterprise Company, National Collaborative Outreach Programme), National Careers Service, businesses
- Ensure that all special needs schools are active participants in the Careers Hub
- Use Growth Hub, social enterprises, Careers Transition Partnership and other programmes to widen job access, including older workers, NEETS, looked after children, disabled and ex-military personnel
- Work with the National Career Service to offer careers advice to adults

3.2 The Learning Hub

One of the outcomes of the HE evidence base was that adults and young people and employers were not aware of the extent of HE provision being delivered within the SWLEP area. In direct response to this and through the HE provision and pathways group, Higher Futures have worked with providers to develop the [Learning Hub](#). 'Learning Hub' is a prospectus of higher education courses delivered by our partnership providers across the area. This was launched at the Higher Education event in September. The objective is that for those young people who know they do not want to leave the area to study, they are able to quickly search for and view the opportunities that are available to them to progress to higher education within their area.

3.3 New higher education provision

A variety of new provision is being delivered or planned for delivery and this was also shared at the HE event. This new provision includes the approved Institute

of Technology based at Swindon College. This is due to open in September 2021 and will specialise in delivering higher technical education and apprenticeships (at Levels 4 and 5) with a focus on STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) subjects. It will provide students with a clear route to technical employment offering programmes in the following sectors:

- Advanced Engineering and High Value Manufacturing
- Digital and Information and Communications Technology
- Health and Life Sciences

The successful bid was developed in collaboration with the University of Gloucester, Oxford Brookes and New College and eight local employers.

Wiltshire College and University Centre is expanding its HE delivery with an exciting new portfolio of courses planned in collaboration with Bournemouth University and Oxford Brookes University. Progress is being made with their developments at the HE Centres at Lackham & Salisbury. The investment at these campuses totals £22m and is aligned to higher level skills development. New life sciences courses began teaching from 2019 and in addition to existing HE provision, courses in development include HND in agriculture (dairy engineering), foundation degree in applied science and level 6 top ups for computing and motorsport engineering. The campus development projects are expected to be completed in 2020. These projects aim to have an additional 500 FTE learners per annum from 3 years post project completion and an additional 650 apprentices including 200 higher and 50 at degree level.

From 2020, the new Cultural Heritage Institute through the Royal Agricultural College will be delivering provision from its base in Swindon in a range of heritage related programmes which extends provision beyond bachelor's degrees to include master's and PhD.

3.3 The Careers Hub

The expansion of the Careers Hub to include 56 institutions across the Swindon and Wiltshire area provides the opportunity for more schools to benefit from support in meeting the Gatsby Benchmarks- the eight Gatsby benchmarks are a framework for good career guidance developed to support schools in providing students with the best possible careers education, information, advice, and guidance. [Gatsby benchmark 7](#) is all about encounters with FE and HE and the hub is working with schools and partners organisations to support the progress towards achieving this benchmark. This has increased from a baseline of 10% in 2018 to 24% of Hub institutions achieving this benchmark in summer 2019. The SWLEP recently received a letter of congratulations from the Careers Enterprise Company for the performance of the Hub in the first year of operation.

The Careers Hub is working with partners including the area's [National Collaborative Outreach Programme](#) providers to further support this agenda and the second phase of this programme which focusses on Outreach Hubs. Working with stakeholders is a key priority in bringing all the offers together for schools and colleges to access. This includes the [ASK](#) apprenticeship support programme.

3.4 Higher Education Event

A higher education event took place on September 26th aimed at schools which aimed to

1. To raise awareness of the local higher education offer (SWLEP).
2. Raise awareness of various pathways to meet all students needs and abilities, improving progression to higher level skills
3. Raise awareness of new provision (including IoTs) and Wiltshire College (Local Growth Fund) improvements.
4. To raise the profile of locally offered level 4+ apprenticeship opportunities including degree apprenticeships.
5. To launch the online higher education provision platform.
6. To share with schools, ways of supporting them to meet Gatsby Benchmark 7, FE/HE encounters.

The event was attended by employers and HE providers who presented workshops, our partners organisations including NCOPs and ASK, LA, LEP and Careers Hub colleagues and Careers Leaders and Heads of Sixth Form from schools and colleges across Wiltshire and Swindon. The Office for Students presented on the national overview and context.

3.5 Next Steps

The joining of Employment and Skills with the Education and Skills directorate has prompted closer links with wider services including early years and this collaboration will facilitate the linking of business and employers with the education agenda. We will continue to work collaboratively to raise awareness of the current and planned HE offer, to ensure there is adequate HE provision and opportunities.

Support for employers to increase the number of higher and degree level apprenticeships and raise awareness of these opportunities with schools and colleges remains a priority.

We will be supporting the LEP with the development of a multi campus federation of HE providers as it progresses towards the development of an implementation plan and will support recruitment into the Institute of Technology. The LEP are developing an overarching Skills Plan based on the SWLEP wide analysis of skills provision, gaps and labour market intelligence.

We will continue to work with the NCOPs who provide direct support to students from wards which have been identified to have lower than expected progress to higher education.

The aspirations agenda is a key aspect of this work for all students and there is a recognition that:

Between the ages of 6 – 8, most children start to develop gendered ideas about careers. These stereotypes follow them into the world of work, affecting the rest of their lives.

By the time they're 10, they've typically begun assigning social value based on ideas about social class and intelligence. They internalise long-lasting assumptions about what opportunities are available to them. They start to abandon fantasy careers, becoming more aware of potential constraints on their

futures (Careers and Enterprise Company 2018). In light of this we are continuing to support the [Primary Futures](#) pilot project which is underway in this area.

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Executive Director

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Wiltshire Council

Children's Select Committee

12th November 2019

School and Academy Ofsted Inspection Outcomes 1st September - 5th November 2019

Purpose of Report

1. The report includes information regarding the most recent Ofsted Inspection reports published from 1st September to 5th November 2019. It provides an ongoing view of the effectiveness of schools as seen by Ofsted Inspections. This report is an update to that provided to Children's Select committee on the 10th September 2019.

Background

2. Inspection reports provide information for parents and other stakeholders and an accountability measure regarding the standard of education in each establishment. Ofsted is required to inspect state schools under section 5 of the Education Act 2005 and the inspections are carried out by Her Majesty's Inspectors (HMI) and Ofsted Inspectors who are past practitioners or, in the latter case, are serving headteachers or school leaders. From 1st September 2019 a new education inspection framework came into effect for all maintained schools and academies in England.

This new framework has a number of key changes in the focus of inspections were outlined in the September report to committee.

Inspections make key judgements about four main areas:

- quality of education;
- personal development;
- behaviour and attitudes;
- leadership and management.

Inspections will have a much keener focus on teacher workload and wellbeing, curriculum design, implementation and impact and how this is driving up standards. They will only look at statutory national assessment data not internally produced information. 'Off-rolling', where schools remove pupils from school without a formal permanent exclusion or encouraging a parent to remove their child from the school roll will also be focused upon. Where appropriate the effectiveness of early years or sixth form is also inspected.

From the evidence collected, schools are given an overall effectiveness grade:

- Grade 1 (outstanding)
- Grade 2 (good)
- Grade 3 (requires improvement (RI))
- Grade 4 (inadequate)

The inadequate category (4) is further subdivided into special measures or serious weakness depending on the capacity of school leaders to make the improvements needed.

Schools judged as Requires Improvement (3) need to improve to be 'good'. To receive this judgement a school will have received a 2 day inspection; it will be inspected again within 30 months.

Many schools previously judged as good (2) will receive a short inspection however for most schools this will now be over two days rather than the previous one day where inspectors will pay particular attention to the quality of education and whether safeguarding is effective. Where the short inspection finds evidence of the school remaining good, a letter is published making this judgement clear. If the inspection finds practice that suggests the school is either likely to be outstanding or alternatively might not retain its good grade, a letter is published saying the school will for the time being, retain its current good grade and that the next inspection will be a full section 5. This allows for a full evaluation of the effectiveness of the provision. This outcome is expressed as 2 (L).

Main Considerations for the Council

Inspection update since the last report – 1st September - 5th November 2019

There have been 4 published school inspections and 2 published monitoring visits since the last report. The outcomes of 2 of these inspections were that the schools remained judged as Good. The first inspection of the academic year and of this new framework was of school previously judged as Outstanding in June 2010, this was graded as Good. The fourth inspection upgraded the school from Requires Improvement to Good.

Two schools were LA maintained and four were academies (see below)

School name (web address to access Ofsted report below)	Status	Date of inspection	OE (previous)	L&M	TLA	PDBW	Outcomes	EY	Post 16
St Michael's Church of England Primary School https://reports.ofsted.gov.uk/provider/21/143006	Academy	21/05/19	2 (2) ↔	2	2	2	2	2	n/a

Box Church of England Primary School https://reports.ofsted.gov.uk/provider/21/126302	Maint..	11/09/19	2 (1) ↓	2	2	2	2	2	n/a
Oare Church of England Primary School https://reports.ofsted.gov.uk/provider/21/141912	Academy	25/09/19	2 (2) ↔	2	2	2	2	2	n/a
The Corsham School (secondary) https://reports.ofsted.gov.uk/provider/23/136611	Academy	11/09/19	2 (3) ↑	2	2	2	2	2	n/a
Marden Vale Church of England Primary School https://reports.ofsted.gov.uk/provider/21/141988 (monitoring visit)	Academy	19/09/19	4 (4) ↔	4	4	4	4	4	n/a
Christ the King Catholic School, Amesbury https://reports.ofsted.gov.uk/provider/21/126423 (monitoring visit)	Maint.	01/05/19	4 (4) ↔	4	4	4	4	4	n/a

Current Ofsted percentage position for Wiltshire at 5th November 2019

The current position shows some small signs of improvement particularly with the maintained primary schools who had been identified as vulnerable, however, the overall picture remains broadly unchanged. The proportion of good and outstanding pupil places has risen slightly to 82% with 80% of schools being judged as good or outstanding.

Published Ofsted outcomes at 5th November 2019 – from internal data

Table 1 - Source: Internal information

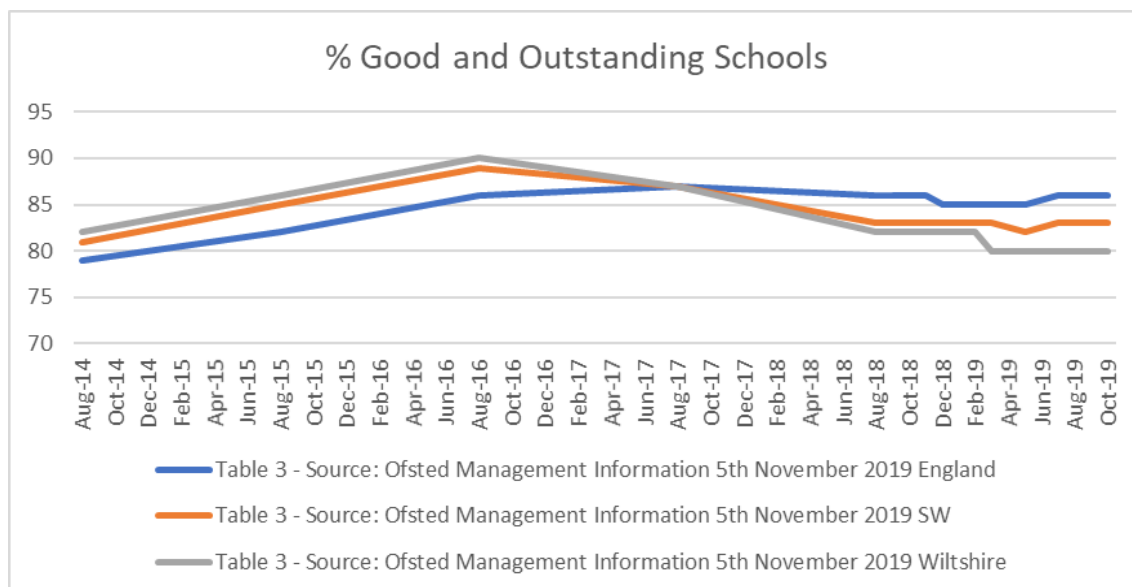
By pupil places	Primary		Secondary		Special		All	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Outstanding	5658	14.5	7689	26.9			13347	19.6
Good	25204	64.8	17198	60.1	418	66.7	42820	62.8
Requires Improvement	6213	16.0	3520	12.3	209	33.3	9942	14.6
Inadequate	1596	4.1	209	0.7			1805	2.6
Not yet inspected (U)	254	0.7					254	0.4
Outstanding or Good (previous)	30862	79.3 (79.3) ↔	24887	87 (83) ↑	418	66.7 (66.7) ↔	56167	82 (80.7) ↑
All	38925	100.0	28616	100.0	627	100.0	68168	100

Table 2 - Source: Internal information

By schools	Primary		Secondary		Special		All	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Outstanding	24	12.0	6	19.4	0	0.0	30	12.7
Good	137	68.5	19	61.3	4	66.7	160	67.5
Requires Improvement	28	14.0	5	16.1	2	33.3	35	14.8
Inadequate	8	4.0	1	3.2	0	0.0	9	3.8
Not yet inspected (U)	3	1.5	0	0.0	0	0.0	3	1.3
Outstanding or Good (previous)	161	80.5 (80.5) ↔	25	80.6 (77.4) ↑	4	66.7 (66.7) ↔	190	80.2 (79.7)
All	201	100.0	30	100.0	6	100.0	237	100.0

Good and outstanding schools (ALL) (%)	England	SW	Wiltshire
Oct-19	86	83	80
Jul-19	86	83	80
May-19	85	82	80
Mar-19	85	83	80
Feb-19	85	83	82
Jan-19	85	83	82
Dec-18	85	83	82
Nov-18	86	83	82
Oct-18	86	83	82
Sep-18	86	83	82
Aug-18	86	83	82
Aug-17	87	87	87
Aug-16	86	89	90
Aug-15	82	85	86
Aug-14	79	81	82

Table 3 - Source: Ofsted Management Information 5th November 2019



A new School Improvement Framework was introduced from 1st September 2019 which continues the local authorities commitment to support and challenge all schools so that they are judged at least good. The school effectiveness service has been restructured to add capacity to work more directly and intensively with schools and to develop effective school to school improvement work. This intensive work is being carried out for all schools that are vulnerable, e.g. schools that are judged as Requiring Improvement or at risk of underperformance.

Conclusion

As discussed in previous reports, raising the proportions of good and outstanding schools in Wiltshire remains a high priority. Significant work has gone into reshaping the capacity and structure of the Wiltshire school effectiveness service to enable us to continue to support and challenge schools. The new inspection framework has brought a welcome emphasis upon the quality of education in particular its focus on the curriculum and upon the achievement of pupils with SEND and disadvantaged pupils. The impact of this new framework on overall outcomes of Ofsted inspections for Wiltshire schools will be seen over the coming academic year.

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 5th November 2019

Background Papers
 None

Appendices
 None

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Wiltshire Council

Children's Select Committee

12 November 2019

DfE Changes – Update September 2019 – October 2019.

Spending Round 2019

1. A £13.8 billion increase on day to day spending in 2020/21 has been announced by the Chancellor. All departmental budgets will increase in 2020/21: the Department for Education's budget settlement is up 3.3%, Home Office's up 6.3%, Ministry of Justice's up 4.9%, Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government's up 2.7%, Department of Health and Social Care's up 3.1% and the Department for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport's budget will rise by 4.1%.
2. Key children's services and local government announcements include:
 - Core local government spending power is estimated to increase by £2.9 billion in 2020/21, final figures will be published later this year as part of the local government financial settlement
 - An additional £54 million of funding for homelessness services in 2020/21
 - A real terms increase to the Public Health Grant budget, which will ensure local authorities can continue to provide prevention and public health interventions
 - £30 million to tackle the sexual exploitation of children online via increased law enforcement capabilities and investing in 'cutting edge technology'
 - £66 million to uplift the hourly rate paid to providers of 30-hours childcare offer
 - School funding up by £14.5 billion over three years, £2.6 billion of which will be added in 2020/21, £4.8 billion in year two and £7.1 billion in year three
 - The Chancellor provided a commitment that per pupil funding for all schools will rise in line with inflation going forward
 - Over £700 million, an uplift of 11%, will be allocated in 2020/21, to support learners with special educational needs and disabilities (SEND)
 - £400 million for FE funding (£190 million core funding uplift, £210 million targeted towards the 'high cost interventions' e.g. introduction of T-Levels)
 - £1.5 billion for social care, which includes £0.5 billion raised via a council tax precept
 - DCMS will bring forward plans for a new Youth Investment Fund to boost the number of youth workers and pay for new youth centres and refurbishments of existing ones
 - Continued funding for the Troubles Families programme
3. The full spending round policy paper can be accessed [here](#).

National funding formula tables for schools and high needs: 2020 to 2021

4. Tables showing provisional allocations for the schools, high needs and central school services blocks from 2020 to 2021 have been published. For Wiltshire, this means:
5. School Funding – the provisional increase in baseline funding for primary and secondary schools is £15.819m (5.82%). Historically, Wiltshire has been the 7th lowest funded local authority in the Country for School Funding. Schools will welcome this additional funding although it will not address funding imbalances for the South West.
 - Minimum Funding Levels will be £3,750 for Primary and £5,000 for Secondary in 2020-21
 - Minimum Funding Level for primary schools to move to £4,000 from 2021-22
 - All schools to see an increase of at least 1.84% in funding
 - An increase in the NFF’s core funding factors of 4% (factors included to be confirmed)
 - 2020-21 will be a soft year again. This means that whilst there will soon be a national funding formula which is not negotiable (a hard formula), currently there is room for local influence with soft formula rules in place. A change to the flexibility of soft rules for 20-21 is the stipulation of per pupil minimum funding levels of £3,750 and £5,000.
6. Funding for pupils with High Needs (SEND) - will increase by £4.442m (provisional DfE increase on Wiltshire’s baseline). This funding covers all Wiltshire’s Special Schools plus support provide to pupils with SEND in the mainstream sector as well as providing specialist services. Whilst this increase is welcome, the needs of children with special educational needs and disability far outstripped the previous levels of funding. Wiltshire has taken part in national lobbying, research programmes and data collections to provide evidence to the DfE which has paid dividends.
7. Early Years funding – the DfE have stated that “following the chancellor’s recent announcement on early years funding, we can now also confirm we’ll increase the hourly funding rates for all local authorities for the two-year-old entitlement and the vast majority of areas for the 3 and 4 year old entitlement.” Initial funding announcements have suggested an increase in the national pot of £66m which is welcome news.
8. The full breakdown can be accessed [here](#).

Consultation on changing the dedicated schools grant

9. The Department for Education is consulting on changing the conditions and regulations applying to the dedicated schools grant (DSG), to clarify that it is a ring-fenced specific grant, separate from the general funding of local authorities.

It will also clarify that local authorities are expected to carry forward any deficits they may have on their DSG accounts, and the deficit does not have to be covered by their general reserves.

The government will then make a decision on the proposed changes, in time to inform the setting of local authorities' budgets for the 2020 to 2021 financial year.

10. Subject to the outcome of consultation, the DfE propose that future arrangements for dealing with overspends will be worded as follows:
 - the local authority must carry forward the whole of the overspend to the schools budget in future years;
 - the local authority may not fund any part of the overspend from its general resources, unless it applies for and receives permission from the Secretary of State to do so.

11. The consultation closes on 15th November and can be accessed [here](#)

Early years foundation stage reforms

12. This consultation is seeking views on proposed changes to the statutory framework for the early years foundation stage, including:
 - proposed revisions to the educational programmes
 - proposed revisions to the early learning goals
 - proposed changes to the assessment and moderation process for the early years foundation stage profile
 - a proposed change to the safeguarding and welfare requirements to promote good oral health.

13. The consultation closes on 31 January 2020 and can be accessed [here](#).

Schools causing concern

14. Statutory guidance on local authorities' and regional schools commissioners' responsibilities relating to schools and PRUs causing concern has been updated to reflect current policy, including: removal of references to coasting and floor standards; how the school support offer will work in 2019 to 2020; how LAs have a legal obligation to inform the department when they use their intervention powers; a new section on academies causing concern; information on financial intervention in academies; and Pupil Referral Unit intervention guidance. No new policy has been introduced that has not already been publicly announced. The updated guidance can be found [here](#).

Academies Update

15. Number in Wiltshire at the end of October 2019:

Academies	103
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16. New academies in this period:

Fitzmaurice Primary School

Sutton Benger Church of England Aided Primary School
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Online schools accreditation scheme consultation

17. The DfE has launched a consultation on proposals to establish a voluntary accreditation scheme and non-statutory standards for online schools. Online schools are currently unregulated. The Department for Education is looking at how children, parents and local authorities can be assured of quality education and appropriate safeguarding arrangements. The consultation also addresses inspection arrangements for online settings that wish to join the accreditation scheme.
18. The consultation is open until the 8th November and details can be found [here](#).

SEND review

19. The DfE has announced a review into support for children with SEND. The review aims to cover:
- the evidence on how the system can provide the highest quality support that enables children and young people with SEND to thrive and prepare for adulthood, including employment
 - how to better help parents make decisions about what kind of support will be best for their child
 - making sure support in different local areas is consistent, joined up across health, care and education services, and that high-quality health and education support is available across the country
 - how to strike the right balance of state-funded provision across inclusive mainstream and specialist places
 - aligning incentives and accountability for schools, colleges and local authorities to make sure they provide the best possible support for children and young people with SEND
 - understanding what is behind the rise in demand for education, health and care (EHC) plans and the role of specific health conditions in driving demand; and
 - ensuring that public money is spent in an efficient, effective and sustainable manner, placing a premium on securing high quality outcomes for those children and young people who need additional support the most.
20. The full press release can be found [here](#).

Review of statutory guidance on youth work

21. The DCMS has published a call for evidence into youth work as part of a review in respect of the guidance relating to Section 507B of *The Education and Inspections Act (2006)*, which sets government expectations of local authorities in securing services and activities for young people aged 13 to 19

years, and those with additional needs up to 24 years, with the purpose of improving wellbeing.

22. The current guidance was last reviewed in 2012. This exercise aims to focus attention on the positive role local authorities can play in the provision of youth services, and ensure the guidance is useful and accessible for those who need it most.
23. The closing date for this call for evidence is 30 November and can be accessed [here](#).

Support for victims of domestic abuse in safe accommodation

24. The government has published their response to the consultation on future delivery of support to victims and their children in accommodation-based domestic abuse services. The government intends to amend the Domestic Abuse Bill to include a statutory duty upon every council in England to provide survivors of domestic abuse access to support in safe accommodation from 2021. It also proposes the creation of a domestic abuse local partnership board in each area to work with the local authority in carrying out these functions. The full response can be accessed [here](#).
25. Ahead of this new duty coming into force, the government has also announced a further £15 million in funding to run these essential services in 2020 to 2021. The duty will then be funded from April 2021, subject to future spending review discussions. The press release can be found [here](#).

Independent review of Prevent

26. An independent review of Prevent, that will critically examine and report on the government strategy for supporting people vulnerable to being drawn into terrorism is currently underway.
27. A call for evidence has been launched as part of the review. This is an open call for evidence, seeking views from a broad range of individuals who can offer insight into what Prevent means, experiences of Prevent delivery and how Prevent impacts individuals, communities and organisations.
28. The call is launched in the form of a survey, which can be accessed [here](#). The deadline for responses is 9 December 2019

First state of the nation report

29. The first state of the nation report looking at the mental health and wellbeing children and young people aged 10 - 14 has been published. Key findings include:
 - 94% of children felt happy with their family, 91.6% happy with their friends and 94.5% felt they had good or very good health

- Most young people are happy with their lives, with 82.9% reporting high or very high life satisfaction
- Age is a clear factor of wellbeing: being older was associated with lower wellbeing
- Young females were more likely to report that they were recently anxious than males
- Bullying had the strongest link to teenage girls' emotional wellbeing across adolescence, with seeing friends and getting enough sleep also rating highly
- There are marked gender differences with experiences of cyberbullying: females report higher rates than males
- Women report lower satisfaction with their leisure time than men
- Social media did not have a strong association with teenage girls' psychological health.

30. The full report can be accessed [here](#) and the accompanying press release [here](#).

Inspection of local authority children's services framework: implementation review

31. Ofsted has recently published a report evaluating the extent to which the inspection of local authority children's services (ILACS) framework has been implemented as intended. The key findings include:
- The ILACS framework provides a proportionate and efficient inspection system
 - The inspection system rigorously investigates the social work practice of local authorities
 - The judgements from standard and short inspections are sufficiently reliable
 - The inspection reports are clear yet concise
 - Further work is required to support inspection teams to make full use of new methods and processes, ensuring that all teams consistently adhere to the framework.

32. The full report can be accessed [here](#).

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Executive Director

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Largely taken from the DfE website 01 September – 25 October 2019.

Wiltshire Council

Children's Select Committee

12 November 2019

Task Group Update

Purpose

To provide an update on recent task group activity and propose any decisions requiring Committee approval.

1. Traded Services for Schools Task Group

Membership:

Mr John Hawkins (Chairman)
Cllr Trevor Carbin
Cllr Jon Hubbard
Cllr Tony Jackson

Supporting Officer: Marie Gondlach

Terms of reference:

1. To review the proposed developments for traded services to schools, considering the outcomes of the service review of traded services (commenced in October 2016), with a particular focus on the following areas:
 - a) The model for the centralised trading unit and the proposed traded services team structure and appointments to ensure sustainability and quality of service;
 - b) The cost of services that are currently provided against projected costs to ensure value for money;
 - c) The plans for marketing to ensure continuous take-up;
 - d) The current policy;
 - e) How traded services will be future-proofed.

2. To review and comment on the Cabinet report regarding the proposals for the future of outdoor education in Wiltshire, with particular focus on the Evidence based analysis that led to the options presented within the report. Comments from the task group will be presented to Cabinet at the same meeting at which the report is considered (scheduled for 28 March 2018 at the time of writing).

3. To review and comment on:
 - a) the Council's advertising of the two outdoor education sites (Braeside and Oxenwood);
 - b) the Council's consideration of expressions of interest, including evaluation

criteria and weighting;
c) the report to Cabinet (planned for 9 October 2018 at time of writing) presenting the findings on the expressions of interests.

Recent Activity:

The task group will next meet on Monday 18 November with a focus on monitoring the implementation of the work programme for traded services, including appointment to the team, efficiency of Right Choice and the development of a Pricing and Charging structure.

The task group will also review an audit report on traded services with school for Wiltshire Council and consider the implementation of recommendations from the audit report.

The task group is working to present its final report to this committee at the January 2020 meeting, to that end the task group's final planned work is looking into good practice from other local authorities with regards to traded services for schools.

2. Child and Adolescent Mental Health (CAMHS) Task Group

Membership:

Cllr Phil Alford (Chairman)
Cllr Clare Cape
Cllr Gordon King
Cllr Fred Westmoreland

Supporting Officer: Natalie Heritage

Terms of Reference:

That the CAMHS Task Group:

- a) Consider the governance arrangements for the recommissioned CAHMS service;
- b) Explore and understand the new CAHMS model in comparison to the existing model and consider the evidence base for any changes. Then where appropriate, make recommendations to support its implementation and effectiveness;
- c) Look at existing data and ensure that the new model's performance will be robustly monitored and benchmarked against this by the council, partners and by the proposed future scrutiny exercise;
- d) Consider access and referral points within the new CAHMS model and, as appropriate, make recommendations to maximise take-up by children and young people in need of support;
- e) Explore where CAMHS sits within the overall landscape of children and young people's mental health and, within this, consider whether prevention services are effective

Recent Activity

2 October 2019

The Task Group met on 2 October to discuss with the Executive and Officers how their first recommendations had been implemented. The discussion centred around the 'On Your Mind' website, the new Mental Health Support Teams to be established in Wiltshire schools, and the Single-Point of Contact arrangements of the CAMH service.

Members were pleased to learn about how their recommendations had helped to add value and briefly discussed their Forward Plan for their second phase of work.

23 October 2019

The Task Group also met on 23 October to consider data for how the re-commissioned CAMHS model is monitored and benchmarked. Members had been told that it was not possible to view data during their first phase of work, as the re-commissioned model had only recently been implemented and, as a result, appropriate statistics were not yet available.

The Task Group looked at access rates to mental health services in Wiltshire and compared Wiltshire's position with BANES and Swindon, as well as Wiltshire's statistical neighbour authorities. Members raised concern that BANES and Swindon's access rates appeared to be higher than Wiltshire's, despite all three areas having the same contract in place. It was clarified that there had been issues around data reporting amongst all three authorities and this affected the overall data quality; meaning that the data could not be seen as reliable. The Task Group recommended that the Council's Commissioners work with their counterparts in BANES and Swindon to resolve this issue and ensure that future data is of a high quality and represents an accurate picture.

Alongside this, the Task Group considered the Performance Assessment Framework, which is used to monitor progress and quality of service delivery, as well as statistics on demand for the CAMH service. As had recently been reported by NHS England on benchmarking nationally, demand for CAMHS is outstripping supply, however, Wiltshire had already drafted an improvement plan and the Task Group will be reviewing this at their next meeting. Additionally, the CAMHS workforce had expanded recently and the Task Group are due to receive updated information on the number and breakdown of vacancies and positions that have been recruited in 2019.

The Task Group will be attending Wiltshire's Youth Mental Health and Wellbeing Conference in Devizes on 13 November; where they will have the opportunity to discuss with third sector providers and understand the support that they provide to children and young people's mental health. Following this, the Task Group will meet again with the Executive and Officers on 10 December 2019.

3. Youth Transport Task Group

Membership:

Cllr Tony Jackson (Chairman)
Cllr Mary Champion
Cllr George Jeans
Cllr Jim Lynch
Master Alfie Lowe (Youth Representative)

Supporting Officer: Marie Gondlach

Terms of reference:

1. To investigate the current range of public transportation options available to young people in Wiltshire.¹
2. To identify any unmet needs, gaps in service provision, and potential areas of improvement.
3. To produce recommendations with a focus on the improvement of Wiltshire's public transport services for young people.

¹ The TG defines the term "young people" as aged up to 18 and up to 25 for care leavers and those living with SEND.

Recent activity:

The task group will next meet to form conclusions from the evidence gathered and to agree the draft of their final report.

Proposal

1. To note the task group updates provided.
2. For the Health Select Committee to endorse the CAMHS Task Group's recommendation:
 - i) For Wiltshire Council's Commissioners to work with their counterparts in BANES and Swindon to resolve the issues around data reporting on 'Access Rates', so that this data can be of a high quality and relied upon to represent an accurate picture of accessibility to mental health services.

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Report on Wiltshire Youth Voice activities

1. Introduction

This report offers a summary of activities for the Wiltshire Youth Union (WYU), the Children in Care Council (CiCC), Care Leavers Forum, Members of the Youth Parliament and Youth Consultants Pilot during the period August 2019 – October 2019.

2. Meetings

The updated October to December 2019 meetings and activities are confirmed, with planning for more community-based engagement, and less meetings in council buildings. This includes WYU members having liaised with their schools and local communities to host meetings throughout the year, and the Care Leavers' Forum's aim of meetings being co-arranged with volunteer care leavers and Wiltshire Council Personal Advisers. 'Dispatches' include surveys, newsletters/news articles/updates.

The CiCC and WYU members have discussed and are planning to come together for a shared Christmas event.

Month	Children in Care Council	Wiltshire Youth Union	Care Leavers Forum
October	Sat 2 November Fun Day Corsham Campus 10.00am-3.00pm	Dispatch out to Youth Union	Dispatch to Care Leavers: Any updates
November	Joint meeting for all – anti-bullying week (11-15 th) 5pm-7.00pm Thurs 7 Nov County Hall Trowbridge		Email Invite out for next meeting
December	*Thurs 12 Dec Children in Care Council and Wiltshire Youth Union Shared Christmas Event *Details to be confirmed – Date may be changed		Fri 6 December Longfield Community Centre Weavers Drive, Trowbridge BA14 7DZ 6.00 – 9.00pm

3. Wiltshire Youth Union

The WYU facilitated their youth voice forum on 26 September at County Hall. It was a packed evening agenda, chaired by Heather Newton, MYP for Wiltshire East. The WYU were pleased to have as special guest speaker Sir Al Aynsley-Green. The WYU also welcomed Councillor Jon Hubbard, Chair of the Children's Select Committee (CSC) and Wiltshire Council's Executive Director of Children and Education, Terence Herbert.

Sir Aynsley-Green talked about his working life. He has over forty years of experience working with governments and organisations worldwide on children, childhood and children's services. He has been recognised nationally and internationally and was knighted by HM Queen Elizabeth in 2006 for his services to children and young people. His talk elicited a robust discussion on what it is like being a young person in Wiltshire and the benefits of having youth voice forums to support, inform and feedback on services.

WYU agenda items also included:

- Children Select Committee – Councillor Jon Hubbard, spoke about the committee, what it does, and what his role consists of as chair.
- Special Schools Consultation – David Paice, Special Schools Consultant, discussed student engagement within the schools and enlisted WYU feedback.
- PHSE education in schools – Nick Bolton, Personal Development Education Adviser, updated the WYU on the changes that will come into place in 2020 and asked for their views on the changes. WYU members have said that they will be putting together a letter to go to schools which will support the work Nick Bolton is doing to raise the profile of PHSE in Wiltshire schools, as they do not feel there is a universal offer being made that meets all young people's needs.

4. Working in partnership

Below are examples of partnership working Wiltshire Youth Voice members/groups have been involved in since August 2019;

4.1 Recruitment

Members of the WYU, CiCC and the Care Leavers Forum want to have a say in who gets recruited by the Council. In October, Lucy Townsend (Director, Families and Children's Services) requested the support of young people from WYU/CiCC to form a youth interview panel in a further round of interviews to recruit a Head of Service for Children in Care and Young People. Feedback from the young people's panel was included in the candidate scoring process.

4.2 Wiltshire Youth Mental Health and Wellbeing Event – 13 November

The event is being co-ordinated by the Children's Commissioning Team. Members of CiCC and WYU have been asked to co-produce and help lead this event. The aim of the day is to bring together professionals from across Wiltshire and work in partnership to:

- Raise awareness of the system of early help available to support children and young people's mental health and wellbeing
- Create a coordinated system of support around children, young people, parents, carers and the people who support them
- Re-launch the On Your Mind website - a local hub of information and advice

When delegates leave the event, the objectives will be that they:

- Have heard from children and young people about what they need, where and when
- Feel that their views have been listened to and understood by decision-makers
- Are confident that their ideas will be taken forward
- Know where to go to get information, advice and help

The event will be taking place at the Devizes Corn Exchange between 9.30am-4.00pm. For more information about the event and/or to book a delegate space please contact: Dexter Chipeni at dexter.chipeni@wiltshire.gov.uk.

4.3 Raising Awareness – Corporate Parents

CiCC members have been working with Wiltshire's HR & Organisational Development Team in the development of a 'Roving Reporter' style video to help raise awareness of what it means to be a Corporate Parent.

5. CiCC

5.1 Shared Guardianship Session 10 September 2019 – Corporate Parent Panel

CiCC discussed and agreed that they would like to focus on Mental Health for their September Shared Guardianship Session with Wiltshire's Corporate Parent Panel. These sessions occur biennially.

CiCC asked Lauren Jones, Project Co-ordinator for the SOMEHOW Project to support the session. Lauren is on placement within Children's Commissioning in partnership with Bath University. The SOMEHOW Project is exploring best practice and options for supporting young children with mental health issues.

'The Project will be important to Corporate Parents, school staff, and specialist services, by means of providing the best possible service and support to young people in Wiltshire. Furthermore, as part of an academic piece of work at the University of Bath, the views of the young people and recommendations for service delivery will be disseminated to researchers and clinicians working with young people.'

Lauren Jones – Session Proposal

Shared Guardianship Session Plan¹: CiCC members including CiCC's Chair reviewed and signed off the session plan. Its content supports CiCC's ongoing action to raise awareness and improve mental health services for their peers.

5.2 Corporate Parent Panel – Strategic Priorities

Members of CiCC met with Councillor Pauline Church, Cabinet Member for Children, Education and Skills and Lucy Townsend, Director of Families & Children's Services on 29 October. The existing priorities were discussed and the young people gave their views on what new ones should be. This feedback will be collated by the Council and reviewed by CiCC members. A wider consultation with young people supported by the Council is being planned for the next stage of the process.

6. Care Leavers' Forum

A review is underway on the present model of the Care Leavers' Forum.

The existing forum takes place at external venues, with a meeting time of 6.30-8.30pm to support as many young people as possible to attend. This format was put in place after consultation with a representative group of Care Leavers. The first two Care Leavers Forums took place on 29 March and 18 June in Trowbridge and Salisbury. Each session had seen a reduction in the numbers of Care Leavers attending.

A piece of work is now taking place to capture and collate feedback from Care Leavers and other stakeholders to ascertain the barriers and reasons for Care Leavers not attending. We will support Care Leavers to co-produce an alternative format for the forum to ensure that all those who wish to can fully participate and have their voice/views heard. This will include exploring alternative methods such as the use of online surveys and remote electronic voting options.

The aim is to have a new proposed way of working in place for 2020. Deborah Barlow, the Interim Head of Children in Care, has committed to support the forum and promote it within operational teams and the wider community.

7. Elections to the UK Youth Parliament – 2020

Preparation is now underway for the 2020 UK Youth Parliament Elections. The window for submission of candidate manifestoes is planned for 18 November until 16 December 2019. The voting for next year's elections will take place between 3 February and 14 February 2020. The new term of office will commence on 1 March 2020, and the three newly elected MYPs will represent: Wiltshire East, Wiltshire North and Wiltshire West.

8. Make Your Mark 2020

Following this nationwide consultation, climate change has been declared the biggest priority for young people across the UK. The Make Your Mark campaign called on young people aged 11-18 to choose which issue they felt was a priority.

The ballot this year has seen more than 825,000 young people take part, maintaining the campaign as one of the largest consultations of young people in the UK. Wiltshire had a record number of votes cast this year, over 14,000 young people completing ballots.

The five issues that have been prioritised are:

1. **Protect the Environment** - We believe that we have a responsibility to protect the environment from the effects of climate change for the next generation; and that the Government should look towards carbon neutral alternatives.
2. **Put an end to Knife crime** - Too many young people's lives are lost to knife crime; the Government need to do more to help end the knife crime epidemic.
3. **Mental Health** - Mental health services should be improved with young people's help; and should be available in schools.
4. **Tackling Hate Crime** - Give young people the same amount of pay, if they are doing the same work as adults in the same job.
5. **Curriculum to Prepare Us for Life** - Schools should cover topics like finance, sex and relationship education and politics.

Wiltshire's top two priorities voted for are:

1. **Protect the Environment**
2. **Put an end to Knife crime**

The priorities of Wiltshire young people reflected those of the wider UK youth voice.

Knife crime was voted the most important issue for young people in 2018 and remains a critical issue as knife crime hits a new record high nationally. Members of Youth Parliament have been campaigning on knife crime throughout 2019, calling on the Government to take urgent action.

Full results on Make Your Mark can be found at: www.ukyouthparliament.org.uk/makeyourmark/

Wiltshire's 2019 MYPs, Heather Newton, Declan Kiely and Aanya Verma have been actively supporting the Make Your Mark Campaign and will be taking part in the British Youth Council Annual Sitting of Parliament on 8 November to vote in the top priorities for 2020.

In addition to the national priorities, the British Youth Council introduced a 'Local Topic' voting option this year that allowed young people from each area to highlight what they felt were local issues that needed addressing.

9. Youth Consultants – Pilot Project

Youth Consultants have been completing their induction and training over the last few months. They have also been introducing themselves to young people, Councillors and Wiltshire Council Officers. They have attended the Wiltshire Youth Union, Children in Care Council and Corporate Parent Panel.

NB. A verbal update of the pilot work plan will be supplied by a representative Youth Consultant who will be attending the Children's Select Committee.

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Shared Guardianship Session Plan – SOMEHOW Project

Facilitator: Lauren Jones

Children in Care Council: Tuesday 10 September, 5.00pm-6.30pm, Trowbridge County Hall

Social, eMotional and mEntal HHealth service using technOlogy in Wiltshire (SOMEHOW) Project

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| 5.00pm | Introductions, aims of the session, ground rules |
| 5.10pm | Exercise 1: Review specialist services, what works, what could we do differently? (Colour post-its) |
| 5.20pm | Exercise 2: Referral into a service, what is important/helpful to know? (Flipcharts, small groups) |
| 5:30pm | Exercise 3: Receiving a service, what matters most? What would you want them to do for you? (Speech bubble activity) |
| 5:40pm | Exercise 4: Secret declaration, have you ever been seen by a specialist service? |

Break (members of CiCC and corporate parents can discuss together)

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| 5:55pm | Exercise 5: Review primary school days, what did you like? What could school staff do better? |
| 6:05pm | Exercise 6: Views on technology in services: assessment and intervention |
| 6:15pm | Finish and debrief |

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Wiltshire Young People 'Local Topic' - Make Your Mark Campaign 2020 (Numbers in bold denote multiple votes)

Youth Centres- 89	Traffic/Speeding drivers	Homelessness	Elderly Abuse	Antisocial Behaviour - 86
Increased recycling- 110	Mental health support - 42	Crime e.g. burglary	Save Larkrise School (Trowbridge)	Drugs - 724
Transport - especially free transport for U18's and the re-opening of our local train station- 672	Housing - cheaper affordable housing and tackling homelessness - 79	Policing - greater police presence on the streets to tackle crime - 58	Education/Employment/Opportunities for young people - 71	Kidnapping - 349

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Children’s Select Committee – Current / Active Task Groups		
Task Group	Start Date	Final Report Expected
Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services (CAMHS)	October 2017	TBC
SEND Passenger Transport	TBC	TBC
SEND School Provision	October 2017	TBC (Interim received June 2018)
Strategy and Support Programme for Disadvantaged Learners	TBC	TBC
Traded Services for Schools	December 2017	TBC

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Topic	Details	Date

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Standing items					
	School Ofsted Judgements	A report which includes information regarding the most recent Ofsted Inspection reports. It will provide an ongoing view of the effectiveness of schools as seen by Ofsted Inspection.	Terence Herbert	Cabinet Member for Children, Education and Skills	Louise Lewis
	Update from Wiltshire Youth Union Representative	An update including a summary of recent activities of the Wiltshire Youth Union (WYU), the Youth Safeguarding Board (YSB) and the Children in Care Council (CiCC).	Terence Herbert	Cabinet Member for Children, Education and Skills	Sarah Banks
	DfE Changes - Update from Department for Education				
21 January 2020					
21 Jan 2020	Pre-meeting information briefing: Young Carers	To receive information on the council's current and recent work regarding Young Carers.			
21 Jan 2020	Pre-Meeting Information Briefing: Traded Services	To receive as a training session for members prior to receiving the report of the Traded Services Task Group.	Helean Hughes (Director - Education and Skills)	Cabinet Member for Children, Education and Skills	Nick Cave, Paul Redford

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21 Jan 2020	Final Report of the Youth Transport Task Group		Alistair Cunningham	Cabinet Member for Children, Education and Skills, Cabinet Member for Highways, Transport and Waste	Adam Brown
21 Jan 2020	Young Carers	To receive information from the council on its current strategy to support Young Carers in Wiltshire, as well as its recent (last year), current and future (next year) work with regards to Young Carers.			
21 Jan 2020	Report of the Traded Services Task Group		Helean Hughes (Director - Education and Skills)	Cabinet Member for Children, Education and Skills	Marie Gondlach
10 March 2020					
10 Mar 2020	Pre-Meeting Information Briefing: Children Accessing Alternative Educational Provision	To receive the topic as a pre-meeting briefing following the resolution from the 5th March 2019 Children's Select Committee meeting.	Lucy Townsend (Director - Family and Children)	Cabinet Member for Children, Education and Skills	

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10 Mar 2020	Executive Response to the Final Report of the Youth Transport Task Group		Alistair Cunningham	Cabinet Member for Children, Education and Skills, Cabinet Member for Highways, Transport and Waste	Adam Brown
10 Mar 2020	Elective Home Education for Children with SEND	Item follows the resolution from the 5th March 2019 Children's Select Committee: "To receive further data and analysis in 12 months on children with SEND receiving Elective Home Education."	Lucy Townsend (Director - Family and Children)	Cabinet Member for Children, Education and Skills	Jen Salter
10 Mar 2020	Families and Children's Transformation Programme: Impact and Outcomes for Young People	To receive the item following the resolution from the 5th March 2019 Children's Select Committee: "To receive a report in 12 months on the impact of the programme on the outcomes for young people in Wiltshire"	Lucy Townsend (Director - Family and Children)	Cabinet Member for Children, Education and Skills	Theresa Leavy