Children & Young People Scrutiny Sub-Committee Work
Proposed Work Programme 2012/13

Item number	Item details and report author	Responsible officer	Brief for the Committee
Meeting 1: 17 July 2012, 6.30pm, Council Chamber, Town Hall, Croydon (unless otherwise decided)			
1	Provision of activities for young people *Simon Townend, Head of Service Youth Services*	Paul Greenhalgh	To consider an audit of last year's provision of activities for young people and examine the following areas: types of activities and funding source in each case, match of locality provision with areas of need/deprivation, age ranges covered, vulnerable groups, take-up pattern in the past, private summer camp provision by locality, gaps in provision? (for example vulnerable groups, localities, age groups). And to consider an update on delivery of youth provision given further developments with the implementation of Croydon's model, including: the process for developing future programmes considering this years gaps and including plans for engagement with young people, publicity and marketing; activities to be provided; age groups to which they are to be provided; provision for vulnerable groups; location of provision and how they match with areas of need; how activities will be funded; the process for planning next year's programme; and how young people will be involved in this process.
2	The Council's long-term view of the development of the academy model *Sylvia McNamara, Director of Learning and Inclusion*	Paul Greenhalgh	To examine the Council's long-term view regarding whether all schools should become academies and how the transition is being financially modelled (as recommended by the task and finish group on the impact of new academies and free schools on schooling in Croydon) including the identification of the level of academisation that would mean that it would no longer be viable or cost effective for the Council to maintain the remaining schools.
3	Scrutiny recommendations on The Impact of Academy Schools and Free Schools on schooling in Croydon *Ilona Kytomaa, Member Services M...*	Paul Greenhalgh	To receive a report back on the response of Cabinet to the recommendations

4	Work Programme *Ilona Kytomaa, Member Services Manager*	Julie Belvir	To review and make any adjustments to the remaining work programme.

Meeting 2: 9 October 2012, 6.30pm, Council Chamber, Town Hall, Croydon (unless otherwise decided)				
1	Safeguarding Children ***David Worlock, Director Social Care and Family Support plus partner agencies***	Paul Greenhalgh	To examine a summary of the Ofsted report and to scrutinise the local authority response to the report, including early intervention for troubled families and social care remodelling, young carers and other vulnerable groups. Also, to examine the response to the report of the Local Children's Safeguarding Board and the Children and Families Partnership Board and the response of individual partners agencies including the health service, schools, police and probation, taking account of the Monroe report.	
2	Overview of the work on Early Intervention and Family Support ***Dwynwyn Stepien, Head of Early Intervention and Family Support Service***	Paul Greenhalgh		
3	**Selection of provider for school annex at Sth Norwood school**	Paul Greenhalgh	To scrutinise the criteria for selecting the preferred bidder for the school annex at South Norwood school	
4	Work Programme ***Ilona Kytomaa, Member Services Manager***	Julie Belvir	To review and make any adjustments to the remaining work programme.	
Meeting 3: 15 January 2013, 6.30pm, Council Chamber, Town Hall, Croydon (unless otherwise decided)				
1	review with the Leader of the Council ***Richard Simpson, Director of Finance and Deputy Section 151 Officer***	Jon Rouse /Nathan Elvery	To scrutinise the proposed 2013/14 Council Budget and review the Council's performance	

3	Work Programme *Ilona Kytomaa, Member Services Manager*	Julie Belvir	To review and make any adjustments to the remaining work programme.

Meeting 4: 5 February 2013, 6.30pm, Council Chamber, Town Hall, Croydon (unless otherwise decided)			
1	Educational Standards ***Sylvia McNamara, Director of Learning and Inclusion***	Paul Greenhalgh	To examine headline statistics, key performance issues and achievement of vulnerable groups of young people affected by these (including young carers), positive educational help for under-achievers and specific vulnerable groups (including young carers, young people in PRUs, service users at the Turnaround Centre), the retention of gifted pupils in the borough, what local academies are doing to lift standards, actions being taken in relation to performance, children out of education, underachievers and gifted and talented pupils, relationship with academies, information at primary to secondary transfer on pupils entering/leaving borough.
2	Scrutiny recommendations on The Impact of Academy Schools and Free Schools on schooling in Croydon ***Sylvia McNamara, Director of Learning and Inclusion***	Paul Greenhalgh	To receive a 6-month progress report on implementation of the recommendations of the task and finish working group which were accepted by Cabinet
2	Review of 2012/13 and planning for 2013/14 ***Ilona Kytomaa, Member Services Manager***	Julie Belvir	To review learning from the 2012/13 work programme and to identify potential topics and their briefs for the 2013/14 work programme