Children & Young People Sub-Committee

The below table sets out the working version of the Children & Young People Sub-Committee work programme. The items have been scheduled following discussion with officers and may be subject to change depending on any new emerging priorities taking precedent.

Meeting Date	Item	Scope
18/04/23	Elective Home Education	To look at Elective Home Education in the borough and to review the number of children who have not returned to schools following the pandemic. To review how many families follow the curriculum and framework, the number of children completing exams and other data.
	Unaccompanied Asylum- Seeking Children (Provisional)	To review the number of UASC in the borough alongside central government funding and the performance of the National Transfer Scheme. To look at the impact of the war in Ukraine on additional numbers of UASC.

Standing Items:

Early Help, Children Social Care & Education Performance Dashboards - review and consider whether there are any areas of concern that may need to be scheduled for further scrutiny at a future meeting.

Items of Interest

The following items haven't been scheduled into the work programme but are highlighted as potential items of interest to be scheduled during the year ahead.

Unallocated Items	Notes
Recruitment and Retention (S&O Committee to review People Strategy in September 2022)	To review Staff Caseloads, AYSE Caseload Sharing and the number of supervisions carried out.
	To receive a breakdown of vacancies and caseloads by individual teams and to look at London Councils best practise for recruitment and retention.
	To undertake direct engagement with social workers
	To look at how feedback from exit interviews can be incorporated into retention strategies
Apprenticeships & Youth Unemployment	To look at the offer of available apprenticeships in the borough and data on youth unemployment.
OFSTED Reports	To review any OFSTED reports as and when they are available.
Delivery of Early Years Strategy	To review the delivery and implementation plan of the Early Years Strategy
SEND Strategy	To review the renewal of the SEND Strategy
Surplus Schools Places	To review the Surplus Schools Places report
Free School Meal offer in Croydon	To scrutinise the provision of free school meals in the borough and why nursery children in our primary schools are not able to access this provision.

Antenatal and Health Visiting (Six Monthly)	To review shortfalls in the number of health visitors, antenatal and postnatal visits.
Asylum Seeker Children	A report on the support available for children arriving in the borough on asylum schemes, particularly for those who were not in full-time education. This will include information on access to education, particularly KS4. This will include follow up work to make sure that schools are being properly funded for taking in Ukrainian refugees as per national government support schemes.