

Children and Young People Scrutiny Committee Correspondence Report summary 2015 - 16

Committee date	Recipient	Subject	Response Required	Response date	Response received	Future Action
12 January 2016	Cllr Lent	Social Services and Well Being Act (Wales) 2014	Concern that the Governance did not reference scrutiny Addition resources will be required to implement the Act	15 March 2016	Revision of the governance structure to include reference to the involvement of scrutiny	Regular progress reports being presented to Committee
15 March 2016	Cllr Lent	Quarter 3 performance	Further monitoring reports on the level of social worker vacancies A training session on the new performance indicators A briefing paper on the accommodation of youth offending service and looked after children service	17 May 2016	Details of the Level of social worker vacancies and the number and spend on workers Agreement to support a training session for both Adult and Children's Committee Project plan in place to support a move to an appropriate building	Continue to monitor Training to be arranged on 7 July Further briefing to be issues

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19 April 2016	Cllr Merry	Education and Consortium Delivery Plans 2016-2018	<p>A copy of the completed Education Department plan to be sent to all members</p> <p>The future Youth Service report to include additional information on the structure of the service, operational focus and budget</p> <p>Provide details of the 2016/17 funding for the Welsh immersions units and the EMTA service</p> <p>The consortium keeps Committee up to date on plans to undertake more services on behalf of Cardiff.</p>	20 may 2016	Letter has been noted and the information will be provided in due course	Receive further reports in June / July
17 May 2016	CSSIW – Pam Clutton	Inspection report on Cardiff's Children's Services	<p>Thank you letter for the honest and open assessment of Cardiff.</p> <p>Committee agreed to receive the resultant action plan</p>		N/A	

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17 May 2016	Cllr Merry	Cabinet proposals – Meadowbank School	<p>Before closing the school and assessment of the following must be undertaken:</p> <p>Cardiff wide strategy, is developed, consulted on and implemented.</p> <p>An assessment of current support is undertaken, and is determined to be fit for purpose.</p> <p>The views of all head teachers on the impact is sought and assessed. discussions are held with the school and appropriate third sector organisations the school's expertise is promoted as a centre of excellence or as a training centre.</p> <p>Ensure that the Council continues to provide early specialist intervention.</p>		Awaiting response	To receive a further report providing the consultation outcome

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17 May 2016	Councillor Lent	Quarter 4 performance of children's service	Briefing on the new performance measures Copy of the relevant action plan that includes the 19 recommendations from the inspection report	31 May 2016	The recommendations have been incorporated in to the Directorates delivery plan The letter explains each of the actions that have been included in the delivery plan.	Continue to monitor performance
17 May	Councillor Merry	Estyn inspection letter and Quarter 4 performance report	A copy of the action plans covering the areas that the Estyn letter highlighted. Details of the plans to improve the admissions procedure across all schools. A copy and briefing on the Cardiff 2020 – Aiming for Excellence to be presented to the 14 June Committee meeting A breakdown, by number of reasons for pupils to be needs; A briefing and actions focussing on the “wider capped points score” and Level 2 threshold.			

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17 May 2016	Estyn – Clive Phillips	Estyn Inspection letter	Thank you letter for the honest and open assessment of Cardiff. Committee agreed to receive the resultant action plan		N/A	

Inquiry Letters

Outcome Letter date	Recipient	Subject of Investigation	Key Findings and Recommendations	Response date	Response received	Future Action
16 July	Cllr Magill	School Governors	Effectiveness of the Governing Body Support for Governing Bodies Training of Governors	19 October 2015, received 15 March 2016	All recommendations accepted, one not excepted relating to the transfer of governors support services to the consortium	To continue monitoring