Children and Young People Scrutiny Committee Correspondence Report summary 2016 - 17

Committee date	Recipient	Subject	Response Required	Response date	Response received	Future Action
27 September 2016	Cllr Merry	Cardiff 2020 and provisional school results	Details of the organisations involved in the Cardiff 2020 launch A copy of the West of England Head Teachers report Actions to achieve the departmental sickness target by March Analysis of Boy v Girl performance across LAC and FSM cohorts	30 November 2016	Details provided along with floor plan for the event Copy of report provided Comments on actions taken to reduce sickness Analysis provided	
			Actions taken at KS2 to address performance of Boys		Comments on actions taken at KS2 on performance of boys included	
27 September 2016	Cllr Lent as Chair of the Corporate Parenting advisory Cttee	Quarter one Children's services Performance	The Committee recommends that your Advisor Committee investigates the reasons for the decline in performance and identifies actions to improve performance over the next year	12 October 2016	Will ensure that that issues raised will be considered by the Corporate Parenting Advisory Panel.	To continue to Monitor performance

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18 October 2016	National Adoption Service	Annual Report	Provided advice on future annual reports	30 November 2016	the required content of the report is set out in regulation. Performance is reported against a Performance Management Framework that was provided to NAS by the Welsh Government. A copy of the framework for adoption support was provided	Await next annual report for review
18 October 2016	Regional adoption service	Annual report	Explanation and clarification on: the narrative and data on page 9 setting out the numbers and time taken around adoptions; the reason for 6 children listed as "plan uncertain" on page 12 progress on the development of a service level agreement in respect of access to birth records or	22 November 2016	Full response received to all points raised	Await next annual report

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			intermediary service, at Page 23 More details on the plans being developed to address priority 5 for 2016/17 To target the recruitment and assessment of adoptive families to better meet the needs of children awaiting placements within the region and reduce reliance upon external sources; and Details of the number of adopters still waiting for an adoption and how long they have been waiting.			
18 October 2016	Cllr Merry	New delivery model for children's play	Schools need to become more community focused, as some play providers were unable to access school facilities.	N/A	No response required	N/A
18 October	Cllr Bradbury	New delivery model for children's play	Cabinet to ensure that appropriate resources are available to support groups Keep ward members	22 November 2016	That lessons have been learnt for those groups who have already taken over provision Members will be fully consulted with	

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			informed of potential interested groups			
14 June 2016	Cllr Hinchey	Corporate safeguarding Board's Annual Report	Requested an updated report later in the year Amendments to the report suggested A copy of the training video be provided for Members to view	10 October 2016	Copy of latest report attached to letter Recommendations have been agreed and incorporated into the report A copy of the training video has been made available to Members	
Follow up letter on 24 October 2016	Cllr Hinchey	Response to letter	Members considered the letter to be brief and did not highlight the changes made. The annual report still did not contain sufficient information to provide assurance. Further report providing information on Performance reporting.			
8 November 2016	Cllr Lent	Child Health & Disability Improvement Plan	Members recommended that more formal regular meetings should take place. Members were aware that Ty Storrie was in			

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8 November 2016	Rosemarie Whittle Head of Operations and Delivery Community Child Health Directorate	Child & Adolescent Mental Health Service.	high demand. However, there is a proposal to "Recommission of Children's Respite / Short breaks Service, saving £50,000 Committee sought assurance that if this proposal was accepted it would not impact on this valuable respite service. Members highlighted that further investigations were needed about: • A potential gap in the referrals process, assessment and support for early years, children		
			proposal was accepted it		
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			valuable respite service.		
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November	Whittle	Adolescent	that further		
2016	Head of	Mental Health	investigations were		
	Operations	Service.	needed about:		
			A potential gap in the		
	Child Health		assessment and support		
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			under the age of 6.		
			The level of capacity to		
			meet the expected		
			increasing demand for		
			services.		
			Of a more specific		
			phone number for "out of		
			hours referrals"		