

Children and Young People Scrutiny Committee Correspondence Report summary 2014 - 15

Committee date	Recipient	Subject and Information requested	Response Required	Response date	Response received	Future Action
11 November 2014	Cllr Lent	Youth Offending Service Annual Report	No formal response required			
11 November 2014	Cllr Magill	Estyn Recommendation progress report	Actions to address the deterioration of 2 performance indicators	Response to follow		
9 December	Cllr Lent	Regional Adoption Service – Pre-Cabinet report	Governance of the regional service.	22 December	Full response to observations	Regional scrutiny process to be agreed
	Cllr lent	Quarter 1 performance	Further report on Recruitment & Retention of Social Workers and a report contacts and referrals	4 February	Contacts and referrals contained in Q3 report. Recruitment & Retention reported to April Committee	Continued monitoring
	Cllr Magill	Outcomes in Literacy and Numeracy	Confirmation of the new robust process for dealing with poorly performing schools and clarification of the improvements in the performance of Challenge Advisors	13 March	Full response received	

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12 January 2015	Cllr Magill	Schools annual Report	Concerns around the performance of Eastern High School To invite heads whose performance was causing concern to next January's meeting			Future schools performance reports to be supported by Head teachers
	Cllr Magill and Cllr Lent	Budget proposals consultation	No response required			
3 February	Cllr Hinchey	Budget proposals comments	No response required			
	Cllr De'Ath	Equality Impact assessments	Disappointment that some EIA were provided late	3 March	Response to concerns expressed	
10 March	Cllr Magill	Corporate performance, Estyn monitoring National Categorisation SOP refresh	More timely performance reports Concern about self evaluation Transition to high school concerns Involve third sector in community		Awaiting response	Copies of latest self evaluations Report back transitions arrangements Evidence of improvements in future categorisation reports

			facilities discussions Details of nursery provision across the City			
10 April	Cllr Lent	Integrated family Support Team	Concerns about funding and request for further information in future reports		Awaiting response	Updated report next year
		Quarter 3 report	A robust exit strategy be developed for the managed team			Further report to committee
		Recruitment and retention of social workers	Concern about the timeliness of the recruitment of social workers			Further update to Committee
		Cabinet responses	Further update on CHAD action plan			Continue to monitor
		Audit Committee correspondence				
	Cllr Hinchey	Recruitment and retention of social workers	Concern about the timeliness of the recruitment of social workers		Awaiting Response	

Inquiry Letters

Outcome Letter date	Recipient	Subject of Investigation	Key Findings and Recommendations	Response date	Response received	Future Action
20 November 2014	Cllr Lent	Children's Services Referrals	Children's Services Contacts and Referrals Multi-agency safeguarding Hub Social Worker workload Preventative Strategy	12 January 2015	All recommendations are accepted	To monitor the implementation of the preventative strategy.
1 December 2014	Cllr Magill	Recruitment and Appointment of Local Authority School Governors	Cardiff's Recruitment and Appointment Process School Governing Bodies must have the appropriate Skills Ward Councillors Role of Governors	29 December 2014	Cabinet supported the recommendations and Council agreed to establish a Governor Appointment panel	Phase two of investigations to be undertaken late spring.