

Social Services Scrutiny Committee Forward Work Programme

Appendix 1A

Social Services Scrutiny Committee Forward Work Programme April 2019 to April 2020			
Meeting Date: 18 th June 2019			
Subject	Purpose	Key Issues	Witnesses
Foster Care Fees	To provide an update to Members on recruitment of foster carers one year on from the introduction of the revised Fee Structure	Update will include the following key information: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Recruitment activities Enquiry rates Numbers of assessments Numbers of approvals Numbers of placements offered 	Gareth Jenkins, Assistant Director - Children's Services
Citizens Charter – Presentation “Gwent Charter For Working Together”	To talk to the Scrutiny Committee about the Gwent Charter	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> What the Gwent Charter is Who has already signed up to it Who we would like to sign up to it How we will monitor the success of the charter 	Ffion Poole , Chair of Caerphilly People First. Sharon Cochrane , Vice-Chair of Caerphilly People First. Christy Taylor , Support Worker with Caerphilly People First.
Hospital Discharge	To advise members of two new schemes the regional Home First project and the discharge to assess model in YYF.	Home First is a regional project in RGH and NHH to prevent unnecessary admissions to wards and to provide short term or bridging packages of care. Discharge to assess model operates in YYF and is part of the Community Resource Team offer.	Jo Williams, Assistant Director – Adult Services
Dementia Friends Training	To provide Members with training to help them to understand what it's like to live with dementia and the actions they can take to make a positive impact.	This training is part of the Authority's commitment to becoming a Dementia Friendly Council, to improve the lives of people affected by dementia. As part of this we support Dementia Friendly communities that empower people affected by Dementia, to have high aspirations & feel confident, knowing they can contribute and participate in activities that are meaningful to them. awareness and promote the training.	John Green, Dementia Friends Trainer Paul Cooke, Senior Policy Officer, Communities

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Meeting Date: 10th September 2019			
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Junior & Youth Forum Priorities Report	To inform members of the priorities identified by the Junior & Youth Forum	Both the Junior & Youth Forum priorities for 2019 fall under the health theme. Junior Forum priority – More awareness of support for drugs and alcohol. Youth Forum priority - Mental Health – Services should be improved with young peoples help. Young people should have mental health first aid education.	Paul O'Neill, Senior Youth Service Manager / Clare Jones, Youth Forum Co-ordinator
Wellbeing Objectives	To inform Members of the progress made against Wellbeing Objective WB6	To inform Members of the progress made against Wellbeing Objective WB6 - Support citizens to remain independent and improve their well-being.	Dave Street, Corporate Director – Social Services
Month 3 Budget Monitoring	To inform Members of projected revenue expenditure for the Social Services Directorate and to update Members on the progress made against the savings targets built in to the revenue budget for the Directorate	Identification of significant variances between budgeted expenditure and forecasted expenditure for the financial year based on information available at the end of June, along with causes and any mitigating action taken.	Mike Jones, Interim Financial Services Manager, Social Services

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Meeting Date: 22nd October 2019			
Subject	Purpose	Key Issues	Witnesses
Month 5 Budget Monitoring	To inform Members of projected revenue expenditure for the Social Services Directorate and to update Members on the progress made against the savings targets built in to the revenue budget for the Directorate	Identification of significant variances between budgeted expenditure and forecasted expenditure for the financial year based on information available at the end of August, along with causes and any mitigating action taken.	Mike Jones, Interim Financial Services Manager, Social Services
Regional Partnerships Boards (include pooled budgets & Long terms plans).			Dave Street, Corporate Director – Social Services
The safe reduction in the numbers of looked after children			Gareth Jenkins, Assistant Director - Children's Services
Directors Annual Report	To inform scrutiny committee of the key messages that have been identified in the preparation of the Annual Directors Report on the effectiveness of social care services in Caerphilly CBC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A summary outlining the effectiveness of Social Services. • The progress achieved in relation to set priorities for the previous year. Priority areas for development in the year ahead. 	Dave Street, Corporate Director – Social Services

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Meeting Date: 3 rd December 2019			
Subject	Purpose	Key Issues	Witnesses
Medium Term Financial Plan (MTFP)			Dave Street, Corporate Director – Social Services Mike Jones, Interim Financial Services Manager, Social Services

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Meeting Date: 4th February 2020			
Subject	Purpose	Key Issues	Witnesses
Month 9 Budget Monitoring Report	To inform Members of projected revenue expenditure for the Social Services Directorate and to update Members on the progress made against the savings targets built in to the revenue budget for the Directorate	Identification of significant variances between budgeted expenditure and forecasted expenditure for the financial year based on information available at the end of December, along with causes and any mitigating action taken.	Mike Jones, Interim Financial Services Manager, Social Services

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Meeting Date: 17th March 2020			
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Multi-Disciplinary Intervention Support Team (MIST)	To provide an annual update on the Caerphilly Service as requested by Members	The update will provide activity information for the Caerphilly Service demonstrating improved outcomes for children looked after and will include case studies	Jennie Welham, Children's Services Manager
Aneurin Bevan University Health Board			Primary Care and Community Division - ABUHB

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