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Further to the request at the 14 December 2022 meeting of the Committee, further work will be progressed to close-off as many of the outstanding items as soon possible.

Date	Agenda item	Action	Status
14 December 2022	Early Years and Childcare Strategy 2022-2027: End of Year One Update	Further information be provided on the lobbying undertaken by the County Council with Government, the Local Government Association and other bodies to help drive further improvement in standards and outcomes.	
		A more detailed report of the 2022 EY Foundation Stage profile which measured a good level of development – which had been the first published data since pre-pandemic – would be circulated	
		A further broad update would be arranged in due course	
	SEND Strategy Update	To talk to representatives from the Family Forum in the new year to seek their views on the changes to services being seen and the challenges still being faced.	
		Cabinet Member and officers to come back in six months with a further update to include some analysis of numbers and spend compared with other local authorities	

10 November 2022	Carers Update	Further information on Carer friendly schools and how many schools have engaged with this programme would be provided. There was reference also to young carers' passports in schools and accreditation linked to the Healthy Schools Programme.	Further information circulated
		Further consideration be given as to whether the estimate of 153,000 carers in Essex could be further broken down and compare figures with other local authorities to see if Essex had a higher penetration rate.	Further information circulated
		Further disclosure on male and female family carers may be needed in the next iteration of the strategy.	Further information circulated
		The Insight Team work regarding respite would be shared once completed.	Date TBC
	Adult Community Learning	A further update would be brought to the committee in the new year including a work plan (particularly on implementation of strategy and related workstreams), progress and impact of actions so far.	TBC
13 October 2022	Domestic Abuse update	Further data on how domestic abuse cases broke down by area to be provided to the Committee.	Timing TBC

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	Domestic Abuse update continued...	An information leaflet/card would be circulated to food banks before Christmas.	TBC
		Information cards for COMPASS would be sent to members if this had not already been done.	TBC
		It would be looked into whether support was provided to those victims who were directed to commercial rental market.	TBC
		Further information on cases where private legal proceeding in family court being brought against victims inappropriately.	TBC
		Opportunities to work with the Refugee Council would be raised with the Domestic Abuse Board.	TBC
		The impact of Court backlogs was discussed regularly at the Domestic Abuse Board. It was agreed an update would be provided on the current situation	TBC
		More detail would be provided on the figures showing a rise of repeat victims.	TBC
8 September 2022	Essex Adults Safeguarding Board	An operational briefing would be arranged [this may incorporate further information on Deprivation of Liberty Safeguards]	To be scheduled later in the year
		Further information and breakdown on the age bands use for some disclosures	TBC
		A breakdown of the contributions made by the three statutory partners would be provided	TBC

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	Essex Adults Safeguarding Board cont..	More information would be provided on the continued upskilling of the care sector in safeguarding and awareness.	TBC
		Further update to be provided in due course incorporating suicide prevention work	Chairman and VCs to decide on timing for a formal follow-up
14 April 2022	Essex Safeguarding Children Board update	Information on accessing services in the Dengie area to be provided	TBC
		More knife bins should be placed in smaller towns, including placing them within Essex libraries to prevent vandalism	TBC
		Broader conclusions around (i) MASA arrangements, (ii) further streamlining Board activities, (iii) continued focus on County Lines and (iv) stronger links to Everyone's Essex aspirations and priorities,	To be taken up by the PAF Chairman and VCs with the Independent Chairman
	Our Co-Parenting Strategy – How we do Corporate Parenting in Essex	A Champion within each district/borough for children in care and care leavers should be considered	TBC
		Priority policies on housing allocation to help give young people the opportunity to progress in life be considered	TBC
		That figures be included within the introduction section showing the number of children taken into care in the last three years	TBC
		The paragraph regarding co-grandparents in the Strategy be expanded	TBC
		Further consideration be given to increasing the corporate parenting role at Full Council	TBC

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		Further consideration be given to how to encourage other anchor organisations to help and that a guarantee of a job interview could be a significant first step.	TBC
10 March 2022	Consultation and development of the new library plan: Everyone's Library Service 2022 - 2026	Encouraged ongoing work with individuals, partners and other groups to continue to reach out to those residents not currently using libraries. Encouraged trying to further expand the number of subscribers for the library newsletter.	TBC/ to follow up at next update
		To consider whether further breakdown and analysis of responses and feedback was possible to see if certain types of usage could be identified in certain areas for example.	TBC/ to follow up at next update
		To look at how future communications can be further targeted to improve interaction with local groups and organisations including school-aged children.	TBC/ to follow up at next update
		To look further at the pre-pandemic launch of the London Library Community Fridge initiative to see if similar was viable in Essex.	TBC/ to follow up at next update
		To consider adding virtual tours of some libraries onto ECC's website.	TBC/ to follow up at next update
		A further update on promoting literacy may better be incorporated into the next committee discussion on educational attainment.	To be raised in preparatory planning discussions for educational attainment item.
		Factoring in aspirations and changes for some library buildings with the capital programme.	Likely to be follow-up scrutiny work specifically for the Place Services and Economic Growth Committee.