

MATTERS ARISING/ACTIONS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

UPDATES REQUESTED AND TO BE SCHEDULED AS FUTURE FORMAL AGENDA ITEMS

9 October 2023	Carers – performance metrics update	Some areas still needed further development (notably but not exclusively plans for respite care) and regular future updates needed to be scheduled.	Proposed to return to scrutiny late summer 2024 once the carers offer is fully mobilised.
9 March 2023	Adult Community Learning Strategy	There would be a scrutiny briefing and a consultation process to consider all options before a decision was taken on removing the nursery provision for ACL learners	To be scheduled in due course - TBC
9 March 2023	Life-Long Learning and Belonging Strategic Plan	A further update would be provided and that the Scrutiny Board be consulted on inviting colleagues from the Place Services and Economic Growth Policy and Scrutiny Committee to join the session	Date to be determined by Chairman and committee
14 December 2022	Early Years and Childcare Strategy 2022-2027: End of Year One Update	A further broad update would be arranged in due course	Date to be determined by Chairman and committee.

ACTIONS FROM RECENT MEETINGS - UPDATES AWAITED

Date	Item	Action	Status
11 January 2024	ASC Priority Area of Focus - EDI	There should be clear identification and explanation of Jewish by race as well as religion, as a protected characteristic, in documentation and recording on Mosaic and any other appropriate systems.	TBC
		In terms of the zero-tolerance policy, to consider further explanatory wording on the risk-based approach taken when applying the zero-tolerance policy to ensure safeguarding both the service user and support staff	TBC
		Members would consider further their conclusions on the five discussions on the ASC Priority Performance Areas and respond formally to the Cabinet Member.	TBC
7 December 2023	ASC Priority Area of Focus – People Waiting	Faith based reviews to be included on the definitions page in future reports.	TBC
		That the challenges ASC faced should be highlighted within the executive summary of future reports such as 1 in 5 adults in Essex were 65 and people with learning disabilities and autism cohorts was expected to grow significantly by 2025	TBC
		It was highlighted that the 3 year overdue reference within the report related to Care Act reviews and not initial assessments. Members were concerned this could be misleading and suggested it was made clearer in future reports	TBC

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7 December 2023	ASC Priority area of focus – Co-production	The ‘Statement of Intent’ referred to during discussion be brought to the Committee once developed for comment and review and to understand any actions that arose from it.	TBC
14 September 2023	Essex Safeguarding Adults Board – Annual Report 2022-23	To include more prominent reference to the financial challenges being faced by the Board in the finalised annual report and the development of risk register work.	Both of these have been included in the Annual Report
		The Essex Covid-19 Care Home Report which had been endorsed by ESAB to be presented to the Committee.	TBC
		More information on safeguarding referrals received from asylum and refugee holding centres.	In progress
		The passing reference to the recent Dispatches television programme in the draft annual report be expanded to include more background and context.	Additional information on this has been included in the annual report.
	Adult Social Care Priority area of focus: Safeguarding Adults	Whether fast-track health and care training being developed at Essex University could be extended and applied to safeguarding training.	In progress
		If some further narrative to explain the proportion of outcomes where safeguarding risk had been reduced or removed (bullet point VIII above) could be included for future reports.	In progress
		To provide further narrative in future reports on the statistics being presented more generally to give further context, refer to any relevant changes in process and/or recording that might be causing statistical change and indicate if trends were positive or negative.	This has been confirmed as noted for future reports.

OVERDUE MATTERS ARISING

Date	Agenda item	Action	Status
9 March 2023	Adult Community Learning Strategy	Further information would be provided on the efficacy of outcomes for apprenticeships and specifically what percentage successfully completed their end point assessment	TBC
15 February 2023	Disability Strategy	The final Disability Strategy should be clear that it supported the current Market Fields School project, and other similar schemes which provide work experience and job opportunities for local people with disabilities and further utilities the potential of local people.	TBC
		A further update would be given providing a Delivery Plan and identified actions after the formal launch of the Strategy.	To be scheduled
		<p>District/borough councils should be encouraged to include provision for supported housing in their Local Plans;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Appropriate specifications and provision for supported housing should also be reflected in the County Council's own Design Guide; - Representation be made on the increasing need for supported housing within the National Planning Policy Framework; - Request that Essex Housing consider if there is a role for it to further promote and influence the increase in supported housing provision. 	TBC
		Request the Scrutiny Board to consider further scrutiny arrangements for the planning for future housing provision particularly in relation to supported housing for disabled and other vulnerable people.	TBC
11 January 2023	Everyone's Library Service 2022-2026	To provide amended trend data and charts that compared to periods/years before the pandemic and not just 2021	TBC

OVERDUE MATTERS ARISING continued...

11 January 2023	Everyone's Library Service 2022-2026	That, as part of a future scrutiny session, and further to an upcoming public consultation, to include more information on what users and potential users want from their libraries and what matters to them	To be picked up at the next update on libraries.
		To invite the Chairman of the Education Task Force and appropriate Cabinet Members and officers to discuss concerns about current performance on literacy	To be included as part of scheduling broader education updates
	HCRG Contract for the Essex Child and Family Wellbeing Service	A table showing all 22 Outcomes and target outcomes with all KPIs would be produced	In progress
		More information on the Affinity Programme to be provided to Members	In progress
		Further information on the rate of the contract to be provided to Members	In progress
		Clarification on the availability of statistics measuring reach, and the number of hard-to-reach families missing out on the early years services who were then later identified needing additional support in later life	In progress
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