

People and Families Policy and Scrutiny Committee: 28 February 2020

2020 Work Programme (dates subject to change and some issues may be subject to further investigation, scoping and evaluation)

Date/timing	Issue/Topic	Focus/other comments	Approach
<b>Items identified for formal scrutiny in full committee</b>			
12 March 2020	Domiciliary care/ Hospital discharge process	To scope a review of domiciliary care provision in Essex.	To start with a briefing on the conclusions of a recent study commissioned by the County Council reflecting on the appropriateness of care plans after hospital discharge.
9 April 2020 - provisional	Meaningful Lives Matter	Follow up to introductory briefing on autism. To incorporate some of the actions arising from the introductory briefing on autism	TBC
9 April 2020 - provisional	Deprivation of Liberty Safeguards	Arising from Audit Committee agenda item and change in legislative framework	TBC
14 May2020	Educational Attainment	Annual report	Cabinet Member and Director- Education to attend. A new focus on exception/outlier reporting and also measuring attainment for those not able to achieve formal qualifications.
14 May 2020	Drug Gangs, knife crime and county lines	Responding to referral from Full Council to look in particular at multi-agency working	To receive the final report of the Task and Finish Group established to look at the issue.
18 June 2020	Respite Care – <i>follow up</i>	To be updated on the parent and carers workshop held and full-service review conducted.	Cabinet Member and Lead Officers to attend
18 June 2020- provisional	Adult Carers (strategy)	To be scoped	TBC
23 July 2020	Special Educational Needs – Care Quality Commission/Ofsted Inspection – <i>follow up</i>	To be updated on the multi-agency action plan and improvement actions being taken	Cabinet Member and Lead Officers to be present. Multi-agency – health representatives to also be in attendance.
23 July 2020	Special Educational Needs – Essex County Council restructure: <i>further follow-up</i>	Scrutinise service changes arising from public consultation	Review feedback on implementation.
10 September 2020	Education portfolio update: further <i>follow-up</i>	1.The draft Early Years Strategy to be presented ahead of launch; 2.A further update on wellbeing programmes and personal resilience	Last discussed in January 2020. Cabinet Member and Director – Education to be present
TBC	Adult Community Learning – <i>follow up</i>	Consider new national outcomes framework and how being benchmarked against it – to include measuring the social investment.	Cabinet Member and Lead Officers to attend

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**Task and Finish Group reviews**

To finish	Drug gangs, knife crime and county lines	Multi-agency working arrangements	Evidence sessions completed. Report being finalised.
To start	Domiciliary care	TBC	TBC

**Further issues under consideration**

TBC	Safeguarding/Safeguarding Boards	Previous years have considered the annual reports of the two Safeguarding Boards	To scope and focus on specific operational issues rather than just the work of the two Boards.
TBC	Autism services	Issues identified during joint briefing with HOSC including transitions between services, timing for support and diagnosis, promoting employment, and consistency of mainstream school offer.	To be scoped.
TBC	Provider relationships – <i>follow-up</i>	1.Refreshed Market Strategy 2. Further update on initiatives to improve supplier relationships	Opportunity to review and comment on draft and revisit any issues from previous discussions.
TBC	0-19 contract with Virgin Care – <i>further follow-up</i>	Continue review of contract performance, and the revised (more outcomes focussed) KPIs.	Cabinet Member, Virgin Care, and Barnardos to be invited.
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TBC	Children in Care/school leavers	Transitions. The support in schools. Discussed in previous work planning discussions	To be scoped.
TBC	Hip fractures and falls Prevention – <i>follow-up</i>	Follow up on Task & Finish Group recommendations that are relevant to PAF	To be picked up during work on domiciliary care.