

**Children and Young People’s Overview and Scrutiny Sub-Board Work Programme 2024/2025**

Approved 22 April 2024 - Updated 5/4/2024 by Teresa Buckley

**Items to be scheduled:**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Meeting</b>	<b>Issue</b>	<b>Outcomes and Objectives</b>
Date to be confirmed 2024	Children and Young People’s Overview and Scrutiny Sub-Board	Revised Children’s Pledge	To consider the Revised Children’s Pledge (title to be confirmed) and to hear from the representatives from the Children in Care Council who have helped to develop the Pledge  (Added following meeting on 31.7.23)
Date to be confirmed 2024	Children and Young People’s Overview and Scrutiny Sub-Board	Children’s Emotional Wellbeing and Support	To review the support for children’s emotional wellbeing and support. To include the outcomes framework for mental health in schools (Torbay Lead for Mental Health Team to be invited)  (Added following meeting on 19.2.24)
Date to be confirmed 2024	Children and Young People’s Overview	Review of School Transport	Review of School Transport recommended by the Overview and Scrutiny Board on 7 December 2022

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Date to be confirmed 2024	Children and Young People's Overview and Scrutiny Sub-Board	Early Years Sufficiency Strategy	<p>To review the Early Years Sufficiency Strategy including recruitment and retention and make recommendations to the Cabinet in November</p> <p>Key questions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• How prepared are we to meet the new extended duties?</li> </ul>
Date to be confirmed 2024 (after November)	Children and Young People's Overview and Scrutiny Sub-Board	0 to 25 Services	To review the scope of 0-25 Services, including obesity, face to face one year old and two to two and half year-old checks, update on vaccine take up, oral health (public health) (after Adults Dentistry review in November)
Date to be confirmed 2024	Children and Young People's Overview and Scrutiny Sub-Board	0 to 25 Services Procurement	To review the procurement proposals for 0 to 25 services

## Timetable of Meetings

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3 June 2024	Children and Young People's Overview and Scrutiny Sub-Board	Children's Continuous Improvement Board Update	To receive an update on the Children's Continuous Improvement Plan
3 June 2024	Children and Young People's Overview and Scrutiny Sub-Board	Joint Targeted Area Inspection (JTAI)	To receive the Joint Targeted Area Inspection Action Plan
3 June 2024	Children and Young People's Overview and Scrutiny Sub-Board	Care Experienced, Including Housing for Care Experienced Young People	<p>Update on Mark Ridell visit and implementation of action plan for care experienced young people –</p> <p>Update on How we deliver housing to Care Experienced Young People to be provided once the work identified in Minute 15/10/23 has been completed (requested at meeting on 23.10.23) –</p>
3 June 2024	Children and Young People's Overview	Youth Justice (every six months)	To receive an update on the Youth Justice Team, including and mental health and Child and Adolescent Mental Health (CAMHS) provision

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3 June 2024	Children and Young People's Overview and Scrutiny Sub-Board	Exclusions and Absence – six monthly	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To receive the latest qualified exclusion data and the views of those children who have been excluded.</li> <li>• To receive an update on the new Local Authority Attendance Duties and Home Education.</li> <li>• To receive an update on children on a part time timetable or on roll but not attending children, children educated other than at school (EOTAS) and children educated through Alternative Provision.</li> </ul>
3 June 2024	Children and Young People's Overview and Scrutiny Sub-Board	Children and Young People's Overview and Scrutiny Sub-Board Work Programme 2024/2025	To approve the initial Work Programme for Children and Young People's Overview and Scrutiny Sub-Board
29 July 2024	Children and Young People's Overview and Scrutiny Sub-Board	Adopt South West Annual Report 2023/2024	Adopt South West Annual Report 2023/2024 – include an update on the impact of Cornwall and the Isles of Scilly joining the Regional Adoption Agency (requested at meeting on 23.10.23)
29 July 2024	Children and Young People's Overview	Safeguarding Children Annual Report	To consider the Safeguarding Children Annual Report and make recommendations to the Cabinet.

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29 July 2024	Children and Young People's Overview and Scrutiny Sub-Board	Fostering Annual Report	To consider the Fostering Children Annual Report and make recommendations to the Cabinet.
29 July 2024	Children and Young People's Overview and Scrutiny Sub-Board	Ofsted Annual Conversation Letter	<p>To consider the Annual Conversation Letter and identify areas for overview and scrutiny</p> <p>Question: What is going well and where does more focus need to be placed?</p>
29 July 2024	Children and Young People's Overview and Scrutiny Sub-Board	Our Promise to You – The Torbay Pledge to care for and care experienced children/young people - update every 6 months	<p>To receive an update on the progress of implementing the Pledge.</p> <p>To receive an update on youth engagement, Children in Care Council's (CICCs), My Voice and The Circle</p>
29 July 2024	Children and Young People's Overview	Exploitation and Children Missing – update every 6 months	To receive an update on Exploitation and children missing

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	and Scrutiny Sub-Board		Note: update to include comparative data to demonstrate the improvements and impact to young people who are vulnerable to exploitation.?
29 July 2024	Children and Young People's Overview and Scrutiny Sub-Board	Young Carers Strategy	To review the current Young Carers Strategy and make recommendations to the Cabinet – Nancy Meehan/Councillor Bye
23 September 2024	Children and Young People's Overview and Scrutiny Sub-Board	Youth Provision in Torbay	To receive an update on the direction of travel for the review of youth provision and consider how the Children and Young People's Overview and Scrutiny Board can contribute towards the review and add value, to include Youth Improvement Fund, youth work including sport, leisure and culture, accessibility to play park and Holiday, Activities and Food (HAF)
23 September 2024	Children and Young People's Overview and Scrutiny Sub-Board	Children's Continuous Improvement Board Update	To receive an update on the Children's Continuous Improvement Plan
18 November 2024	Children and Young People's Overview	Holiday Activities and Food HAF Programme and Sustainably	To review the sustainability of the Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) Programme and sustainably post funding ending in April 2025

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	and Scrutiny Sub-Board		To formally note the update on the take up of Free School Meals and the Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) Programme
18 November 2024	Children and Young People's Overview and Scrutiny Sub-Board	Family Hub Sustainability – 5 mins	To review the long-term sustainability of the three Family Hubs in Torbay and the early help services they provide including the role of The learning Academy following the end of Government Funding.
18 November 2024	Children and Young People's Overview and Scrutiny Sub-Board	Torbay Local Area Special Educational Needs and Disability (SEND) Joint Inspection Written Statement of Action Update (every six months)	To receive update on the progress of the implementation of the action plan arising from the Written Statement of Action following the Torbay Local Area Special Educational Needs (SEND) Joint Inspection.
27 January 2025	Children and Young People's Overview and Scrutiny Sub-Board	Youth Justice (every six months)	To receive an update on the Youth Justice Team, including and mental health and Child and Adolescent Mental Health (CAMHS) provision
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27 January 2025	Children and Young People's Overview and Scrutiny Sub-Board	Children's Continuous Improvement Board Update	To receive an update on the Children's Continuous Improvement Plan
27 January 2025	Children and Young People's Overview	Virtual School Annual Report 2023/2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To receive the annual report from the Virtual School which includes an update on attainment of our cared for and care experienced young people along with extended duties</li> </ul>



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	and Scrutiny Sub-Board		To ensure voice of the child is included in future Virtual School Annual Reports as well as an update on the pathways for the extended duties for the Virtual School (requested 19.2.24 Sub-Board)
10 March 2025	Children and Young People's Overview and Scrutiny Sub-Board	Sufficiency Strategy and Permanence for Children	To receive an update on the Sufficiency Strategy and permanence for children, (unaccompanied asylum seeking children) UASC, fostering, (Note: this to include an analyse the types of accommodation required for our care experienced young people to enable the Sub-Board to assess the type of accommodation required – requested at meeting 31.7.23)
10 March 2025	Children and Young People's Overview and Scrutiny Sub-Board	Schools Capital Programme Review	To receive an update on the Schools Capital Programme, particularly the Westlands PFI, which was one of the first in the country, what worked and what did not work
10 March 2025	Children and Young People's Overview and Scrutiny Sub-Board	Update on Special Educational Needs (SEND)	To receive an update from the SEND Governance Executive on the progress of SEND moving forward, including the progress made towards a shared approach across the county
10 March 2025	Children and Young	Children's Services Self-Assessment	To review the draft Children's Services Self-Assessment which provides an annual position on performance of Children's Services –

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	People's Overview and Scrutiny Sub-Board		(Note: this report is exempt as it is in its draft format.)

Annual reports to Cabinet to be circulated to Sub-Board as useful background documents:

- Local Authority Designated Officer Annual Report
- Independent Reviewing Officer Annual Report