

Scrutiny Committee B

12th October 2017

Children's Scrutiny Group

Purpose of Report: Progress report

Since the first meeting of Scrutiny Committee B on 14th June 2017 the following work has been undertaken:

26th September 2017 – Briefing for Children's Services Scrutiny Members

The Interim Lead – Children's Services met with the group and gave a presentation based on the training that Members had received on Corporate Parenting on the 8th September 2017. The group had the opportunity to go into further depth in different areas of the service which will be of assistance when the scrutiny work programme commences.

One of the areas of concern was Powys People Direct. This is an area that had been looked at jointly by the Adult Social Care and Children's Scrutiny Group during the previous Council. This will be included on the work programme of this group and it would be appropriate that the Adult Social Care Scrutiny Group from Scrutiny Committee B are invited to attend any sessions covering this subject.

Work Programme

Children's Services is awaiting the outcome of a recent inspection by the CSSIW. The Inspection and Improvement Plan will be used by the Children's Scrutiny Group to identify items for and plan timescales for their scrutiny work programme.

The following dates have been identified:

TBC - receipt of CSSIW Inspection Report and Improvement Plan

16th November – 10.00am – subject tbc

14th December – 10.00am – subject tbc

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Sources/background papers:

Membership:

County Councillors: **D Rowlands** (Lead Member)

J Gibson-Watt, D Jones, K Laurie-Parry, S. McNicholas and P Roberts,
County Councillor R Williams (not from Scrutiny Committee B)

Parent Governor Representative Mrs A. Davies