Agenda Item 11



Subject:

Children Young People and Family Support Scrutiny Committee Monday 30th November 2015

Report of:	CYP&FS Scrutiny Committee – Prevent Task Group

Prevent Task Group – Update Report

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Summary: The Children, Young People & Family Support Scrutiny Committee have set up Task & Finish Group to consider Sheffield's response to the new statutory duties around Prevent, as outlined in the Counter-Terrorism and Security Act 2015.

Type of item: The report author should tick the appropriate box		
Reviewing of existing policy		
Informing the development of new policy		
Statutory consultation		
Performance / budget monitoring report		
Cabinet request for scrutiny		
Full Council request for scrutiny		
Community Assembly request for scrutiny		
Call-in of Cabinet decision		
Briefing paper for the Scrutiny Committee		
Other	\checkmark	

The Scrutiny Committee is being asked to:

• Receive the update report, note the progress being made and comment on / seek clarification on any issues raised

Background Papers: n/a

Category of Report: OPEN

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Children, Young People & Family Support Scrutiny Committee Prevent Task Group 17/11/15 Update Report

Summary: The Children, Young People & Family Support Scrutiny Committee have set up a Task Group to consider Sheffield's response to the new statutory duties around Prevent, as outlined in the Counter-Terrorism and Security Act 2015.

The focus of the Task Group review is:

- To understand the implications of the recent Counter-Terrorism and Security Act 2015 in terms of the statutory requirements around Prevent and the implications for children and young people.
- To consider how we are responding to this in Sheffield and identify any recommendations.

Membership: The Task Group has a total of 9 members, due to the overlap with the Safer & Stronger Communities Scrutiny Committee; this includes 2 members from this group.

Approach: The Task Group will use a range of evidence gathering techniques as outlined below:

Month	Approach	Progress
October	Briefing from lead officers in SCC	
November	• Desk top research (legislation, best practice guidance etc.)	
	2 x 3 hour evidence gathering sessions Evidence gathering session 1: South Yorkshire Police, Sheffield College, Sheffield Health & Social Care Trust Evidence gathering session 2: two representatives from the Religion & Belief Hub (Equalities Hub Network), 1 representative from the voluntary and community sector	
	4 members of the Task Group will attend the Prevent Silver Tier Group to observe their November meeting	
	2-3 members of the Task Group will attend a SCC training session on Prevent	
	4 members of the Task Group will visit a School and meet with the Headteacher / lead on Safeguarding	
December – January	 Review evidence Draft report Agree findings and any recommendations 	
	Finalise report	

Timescales: The intention is for this to be a medium term review over 4 months. The aim is to present a report to the Scrutiny Committee for approval at is meeting on 25th January 2015.