



Report to Children, Young People and Family Support Scrutiny & Policy Development Committee Wednesday 9th March 2022

Report of: Policy and Improvement Officer

Subject: Children, Young People & Family Support Scrutiny & Policy Development Committee Closing Report March 2022

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Sheffield City Council is moving to a new Committee Decision Making System, designed to be in place May 2022. This Closing Report highlights the work of this Committee in the two years since its last Annual Report (March 2020) and identifies issues the Committee would urge the Executive and a new Committee to maintain consideration of.

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	
Call-in of Cabinet decision	
Briefing paper for the Scrutiny Committee	
Other	X

The Scrutiny Committee is being asked to:

- Note the activity of the Committee over last two years
- Review, agree the issues it would urge Executive and appropriate Committee to consider

Background Papers: [Sheffield Council Constitution](#)

Category of Report: OPEN

Closing Report 2022: Children, Young People and Family Support Scrutiny Committee

1.0 Activity of the Committee 2019-2022

1.1 This is a list of the matters considered by Children, Young People and Family Support Scrutiny and Policy Development Committee in municipal years 2019/20 and 2021/22, some items were considered in both years as part of the Committee's holding to account role:

1.2

Call-in of the Cabinet Decision on Investing in Young People
Request by the Scrutiny Committee for Further Information Following the Call-in of the Cabinet Decision on Investing in Young People
Return to School in Covid-19 - Update on Schools Fully Opening
Adoption Service - Annual Reports (in 2020/21 & 2021/22)
Fostering Service - Annual Reports (in 2020/21 & 2021/22)
Sheffield Safeguarding Children Board - Annual Reports (in 2020/21 & 2021/22)
Sheffield Sexual Exploitation Service - Annual Reports (in 2020/21 & 2021/22)
Sheffield Youth Cabinet - Impact of the Covid-19 Pandemic on Young People in Sheffield
Youth Service - Sheffield City Council Update
Multi-Agency Support Teams (MAST)
Elective Home Education
Sheffield Youth Cabinet - Impact of the Covid-19 Pandemic on Young People in Sheffield: Review and Follow-Up to Youth Cabinet a

2.0 Children, Young People and Family Support Scrutiny and Policy Development Committee Legacy

2.1 There are matters this Committee have considered regularly in their holding to account / service review role:

- Fostering and Adoption Annual Reports
- Sheffield Children Safeguarding Partnership Annual Report
- Sheffield Child Exploitation Service annual reporting
- Elective Home Education

2.2 In 2019/20 CYP&FS Scrutiny and Policy Development Committee set up a task group to look at Voice and Influence of Children and Young People, this work resulted in ongoing involvement for the Committee with Youth Cabinet members, collaborating on recommendations to the Executive on key issues.

This last two years the focus has been a check on the impact of the pandemic on young people, with recommendations to the Executive.

2.3 The CYP&FS Scrutiny and Policy Development Committee has in line with other Scrutiny Committees always included on its agenda an item for public questions and petitions, this has facilitated the voice of residents to be heard particularly the Parent Carer Forum, and adopter parents.

2.4 The Committee would encourage where appropriate for this legacy not to be lost.

3.0 Out of Time 2021/2022

3.1 These are issues outstanding from 2021/22 with long running involvement and influence from Children, Young People and Family Support Scrutiny and Policy Development Committee. They are out of time as the reporting or development programme of the matter is beyond this Municipal Year and the last meeting of this Scrutiny Committee:

- OFSTED and CQC reinspection of Special Educational Needs and Disability Services (SEND), the reinspection was very recent, and the report will not be available in time for this Committee.
- Youth Services / Youth Strategy – the programme for this extends beyond scheduled meetings of this Committee.

4.0 Recommendations

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