

CHILDREN AND FAMILIES OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY PANEL 10 MARCH 2022

PERFORMANCE AND IN-YEAR BUDGET MONITORING

Summary

1. The Panel will be updated on performance and financial information for services relating to Children and Families.

2. The Cabinet Members with Responsibility (CMRs) for Children and Families and for Education have been invited to attend the meeting to respond to any queries from Panel Members.

Performance Information

3. Performance and financial information provide a further tool for the Scrutiny Panels in maintaining Members' understanding of services provided to the public, the effectiveness of current policies, and early knowledge of any issues or areas for further scrutiny.

4. Attached at Appendix 1 is a dashboard of performance information which covers the indicators from the Directorate level scorecard which relate to services relevant to this Scrutiny Panel's remit for Quarter 3 (October-December 2021).

5. The Corporate Balanced Scorecard is the means of understanding progress against the Council's Corporate Plan. The Scorecard contains a range of indicators linked to key priorities and themes.

6. The Children's Services corporate scorecard is under review and will be relaunched as part of the new Corporate Strategy.

7. Historical Corporate Balanced Scorecard information for each Directorate is reported to Cabinet and is available on the Council's website <u>here</u>

Financial Information

8. Presentation slides, which can be found at Appendix 2, provide the Financial Update for Quarter 3.

Purpose of the Meeting

9. Following discussion of the information provided, the Scrutiny Panel is asked to determine:

- any comments to highlight to the CMRs at the meeting and/or to Overview and Scrutiny Performance Board at its meeting on 23 March 2022
- whether any further information or scrutiny on a particular topic is required.

Supporting Information

Appendix 1 – Dashboard of Performance Information

Appendix 2 – Budget Monitoring 2022/23 Quarter 3 (Presentation Slides)

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Background Papers

In the opinion of the proper officer (in this case the Assistant Director for Legal and Governance) the following are the background papers relating to the subject matter of this report:

- Agendas and minutes of the Overview and Scrutiny Performance Board on 22 July, 23 September and 19 November 2020 and 3 February and 21 July 2021
- Agendas and minutes of the Children and Families Overview and Scrutiny Panel on 29 January, 16 July, 22 September and 12 November 2021, 17 July, 8 September, and 13 November 2020

All agendas and minutes are available on the Council's website here.