

# **Committee: Children and Young People Overview and Scrutiny Panel**

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Wards: All Wards

Subject: **Performance Monitoring**

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## **Recommendations:**

A. That the Children and Young People's Overview and Scrutiny Panel discuss and comment on the current levels of performance set out in the attached report.

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## **1 PURPOSE OF REPORT AND EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

1.1 To provide the Overview and Scrutiny Panel with regular data on the performance of Children, Schools and Families Department and key partners.

## **2 DETAILS**

2.1 At the Children and Young People Scrutiny Panel meeting on 5th June 2007 it was agreed that the Children, Schools and Families Department would submit a regular performance report on a range of key performance indicators. This would act as a 'health check' for the panel and would be over and above more detailed performance reports relating to specific areas of the Department's activities - eg annual school standards report; safeguarding performance reports – which the Panel would continue to receive.

2.2 This indicator set is subject to review, this report is the first of the 3<sup>rd</sup> version of the index. It reports data as available at the end of February 2012

## **Childrens Social Care**

### **Lines 2 and 3 Initial and Core Assessment completion rates**

Over the year there has been a rise in completion rates within prescribed timescales for assessments. However performance is below targets. In line with national guidance, managers have put in place systems to monitor the quality of assessments in addition to timeliness. Ambitious forward targets of 90% and 80% have been set for the coming year for initial and core assessments.

**Line 5 % of reviews completed within timescale for Children with Child Protection Plans**

Current performance is 99%, 1% below target but above local and neighbour averages. One review was out of timescale in January due to significant change in family circumstance which led to the review being rescheduled to include all required agencies.

**Line 7 NI 65 - % of Children that became the subject of a CP Plan for the Second or subsequent time**

The rate at the by the end of February was 8.5%, which is 11 of 130. This is close to the target range of 10-17%.

**Lines 10 and 11 Number of special guardianship orders (SGO's) and adoptions**

There have been 8 adoptions this year, which is an increase of 2 from the previous year. There have been 7 SGO's granted, but only 3 of these were orders issued for children currently in care, 2 were issued for children who had recently been in care and 2 were for children subject to a child protection plan. So the current total is 11, 1 below target, one further adoption's expected to be finalised before the end of the financial year.

The service has made improvements in timeliness of adoptions, see line 16

**Line 14 NI 66 - Children in care cases which were reviewed within required timescales**

No LAC reviews have been missed since the last report to Scrutiny. Performance is well above the national rate of 91%.

**Line 15 % of Children in care participating in their reviews**

Successful efforts have been made to increase participation levels of children in care at statutory reviews. Performance is above that of last year but 2% below the targeted rate.

**Line 16 NI 61 – Timeliness of adoption placements post best interest decision**

At 80% performance last year was above the national average of 72%, to date this year's performance remains above the national average at 75%.

**Youth Inclusion**

**Line 20 Youth Service Participation**

The participation target has been met.

**Education and Early Years**

**Line 31 Number of managed moves – Primary**

This data has been supplied for the first time. In the previous academic year there were 4 managed moves. So far this academic year there have been 3 managed moves.

**Line 38 Number of 0-4 year olds accessing childrens centre services from deprived area (IDACI bottom 30%)**

End of year performance is expected to exceed target. Recording has improved, there is effective marketing of services across the partnership and improving identification of need. By the end of quarter 3 over 3,000 children (57.9%) from deprived areas had accessed children centre services.

**Road Accidents**

There has been an increase in the number of children and young people involved in road accidents from 2010 to 2011. This will be addressed by a systematic programme of road safety training and education to reduce casualties.

**3. ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS**

3.1 The Panel's scrutiny work programme is determined by the members of the Panel

**4. CONSULTATION UNDERTAKEN OR PROPOSED**

4.1 The Panel has agreed to consider the performance report on an annual basis

**5. TIMETABLE**

5.1 None relating to this covering report

**6 FINANCIAL, RESOURCE AND PROPERTY IMPLICATIONS**

6.1 None relating to this covering report

**7. LEGAL AND STATUTORY IMPLICATIONS**

7.1 None relating to this covering report

**8. HUMAN RIGHTS, EQUALITIES AND COMMUNITY COHESION IMPLICATIONS**

8.1 None relating to this covering report

**9. CRIME AND DISORDER IMPLICATIONS**

9.1 None relating to this covering report

**10. RISK MANAGEMENT AND HEALTH AND SAFETY IMPLICATIONS**

10.1 None relating to this covering report

**11. APPENDICES – THE FOLLOWING DOCUMENTS ARE TO BE PUBLISHED WITH THIS REPORT AND FORM PART OF THE REPORT •**

Appendix 1 Performance data sheet

**12 BACKGROUND PAPERS**

12.1. None

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Indicator	Merton 2010-2011	National Average 2010-2011	Statistical Neighbour Average 2010-2011	Target 2011-2012	Quarter 3 (October - December)	January	February	Traffic Light	Notes
<b>Childrens Social Care</b>									
1	423	N/A	N/A	N/A	445			NTS	YTD
2	63%	77%	77.3%	75%	60%	60%	61%	Red	YTD
3	65%	75%	77.6%	75%	57%	57%	56%	Red	YTD
4	100%	N/A	N/A	100%	100%	100%	100%	Green	YTD
5	99%	97.1%	97.3%	100%	100%	99%	99%	Red	YTD
6	94%	N/A	N/A	93%	92%	94%	94%	Green	YTD
7	13%	13%	12.4%	10-17%	8%	8%	8%	Amber	YTD
8	100%	N/A	N/A	100%	100%	100%	100%	Green	YTD
9	31.4	59	54	up to 35	30.74	32.37	32.13	Green	YTD
10	5	18% (3 year average)	N/A	12	2	3	3	Amber	YTD
11	6	11%	N/A	up to 20%	6	8	8	Green	YTD
12	15%	68%	10.7%	65%	11%	12%	13%	Green	YTD
13	67%	90.9% (2009-2010)	7.2%	100%	73%	74%	75%	Green	YTD
14	97%	N/A	N/A	100%	96%	97%	97%	Red	YTD
15	81%	N/A	N/A	95%	92%	94%	93%	Amber	YTD
16	80%	72%	N/A	50%	66.7% (4/6)	75% (6/8)	75% (6/8)	Green	YTD
<b>Youth Inclusion</b>									
17	1.01	1.03	N/A	1.03	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Measure being redefined
18	144	N/A	N/A	200	95			Green	YTD
19	12%	27%	N/A	15%	7.9%			Green	YTD
20	2531	N/A	N/A	1700	997	1413	1965	Green	YTD
21	22	N/A	N/A	N/A	17			NTS	YTD
<b>Education including early years</b>									
22	4.6%	N/A	N/A	4.5%				Green	Annual Measure
23	4.5%	4.4%	N/A	N/A				NTS	Annual Measure
24	13.0%	8.6%	N/A	N/A				NTS	Annual Measure
25	12.9%	8.5%	N/A	N/A				NTS	Annual Measure
26	0.79%	0.9%	N/A	N/A				NTS	Annual Measure
27	0.31%	0.15%	N/A	N/A	0.04%/3	0.08% (6)	0.1% (8)	Green	YTD
28	0.27%	N/A	N/A	N/A	0%/0	0.02% (1)	0.06% (3)	NTS	YTD
29	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	0%/0	0%/0	0%/0	NTS	YTD
30	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	0%/0	0%/0	0%/0	NTS	YTD
31	4	N/A	N/A	N/A	TBC	TBC	3 YTD	NTS	Academic Year
32	90.7%	95%	N/A	89%	89.6%			Green	YTD
33	85%	87%	N/A	89%	92.1%			Green	YTD
34	519	N/A	N/A	520	473			Green	YTD
35	TBC	TBC	TBC	TBC	40	72	101	NTS	October - Feb
36	116	N/A	N/A	N/A	96	110	120	NTS	YTD
37	100%	73%	62.5%	100%	100%	100%	100%	Green	YTD
38	51.6%	N/A	N/A	60%	57.9%			Amber	YTD
<b>Road Accidents</b>									
39	0/2/31	N/A	N/A	N/A	0/3/50			NTS	January - December

NTS No target set  
YTD Year to date