

**AGENDA ITEM: 8**

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Meeting	<b>Safeguarding Overview &amp; Scrutiny Committee</b>
Date	4 <sup>th</sup> July 2011
<b>Subject</b>	<b>Safeguarding Overview and Scrutiny Committee Forward Work Programme 2011/12</b>
Report of	Scrutiny Office
Summary	This report outlines the Committee's work programme during 2010/11.

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Officer Contributors	None
Status (public or exempt)	Public
Wards Affected	All
Enclosures	Appendix 1 – Safeguarding Overview & Scrutiny Committee Work Programme 2010/11
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## **1. RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 1.1 That the Safeguarding Overview and Scrutiny Committee consider and comment on the items included in the 2011/12 work programme of the Safeguarding Overview & Scrutiny Committee (Appendix 1).**

## **2. CORPORATE PRIORITIES AND POLICY CONSIDERATIONS**

- 2.1 The Overview and Scrutiny Committees must ensure that the work of Scrutiny is reflective of the Council's priorities.**

- 2.2 The three priority outcomes set out in the 2011/13 Corporate Plan are: –**

- Better services with less money**
- Sharing opportunities, sharing responsibilities**
- A successful London suburb**

- 2.3 The Corporate Plan 2011/13 contains the following strategic objectives relevant to this Sub-Committee: To continue to safeguard vulnerable children and adults from avoidable harm at a time of reduced resources.**

- 2.4 The London Borough of Barnet will achieve this by ensuring Children and Adults Safeguarding remains high priority and underpins the work in Social Care and Health.**

- 2.5 Three Performance Targets have been set to meet this strategic aim:**

- 100% of Adult Protection Plans to be developed for those who need them with people identified responsible for delivery. Estimated baseline of 81.5% (up to February 2011)**
- 100% of Adult Protection Plans reviewed by Team Manager within the timescales set at the case conference. Estimated baseline of 54.9% (Up to February 2011)**
- To increase % of Children's social care assessments carried out within 35 working days from 69% (Jan 2011) to 80%.**

## **3. RELEVANT PREVIOUS DECISIONS**

- 3.1 None**

## **4. RISK MANAGEMENT ISSUES**

- 4.1 None in the context of this report.**

## **5. EQUALITIES AND DIVERSITY ISSUES**

- 5.1 In addition to the Terms of Reference of the Committee, and in so far as relating to matters within its remit, the role of the Committee is to perform the Overview and Scrutiny role in relation to:**

- The Council's leadership role in relation to diversity and inclusiveness; and
- The fulfilment of the Council's duties as employer including recruitment and retention, personnel, pensions and payroll services, staff development, equalities and health and safety.

## **6. USE OF RESOURCES IMPLICATIONS (Finance, Procurement, Performance & Value for Money, Staffing, IT, Property, Sustainability)**

6.1 None in the context of this report.

## **7. LEGAL ISSUES**

7.1 None in the context of this report.

## **8 CONSTITUTIONAL POWERS**

8.1 The scope of the Overview and Scrutiny Committees is contained within Part 2, Article 6 of the Council's Constitution; the Terms of Reference of the Scrutiny Committees are included in the Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rules (Part 4 of the Council's Constitution).

## **9. BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

9.1 The Safeguarding Overview and Scrutiny Committee's Work Programme 2011/12 comprise items of business submitted for consideration to both the Children's Services Sub-Committee and Adults Services Sub-Committee in 2010/2011.

9.2 The work programme of this Committee is intended to be a responsive tool, which will be updated on a rolling basis following each meeting, for the inclusion of areas which may arise through the course of the year.

9.3 The Committee is empowered to agree its priorities and determine its own schedule of work within the programme.

## **10. LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS**

10.1 None.

APPENDIX 1

4 JULY 2011

**SAFEGUARDING OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY COMMITTEE**

ITEMS TO BE CONSIDERED	INFORMATION	REPORT ORIGIN	LINK TO CORPORATE PLAN
<b>Safeguarding in Barnet</b>	New committee to consider joint report from Children's and Adults on Safeguarding being reported to Cabinet on 15 June 2011	<b>Report from</b> Children's / Adults	<b>Better services with less money-</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Continue to safeguard vulnerable children and adults from avoidable harm at a time of reduced resources.</li> </ul>
<b>Statutory Officer / Member Visits to Children's Homes</b>	Standing item	<b>Report from</b> Children's Service	<b>Better services with less money-</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Continue to safeguard vulnerable children and adults from avoidable harm at a time of reduced resources.</li> </ul> <b>Sharing Opportunities, Sharing responsibilities.</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Create the conditions for children to develop skills and acquire knowledge to lead successful adult lives.</li> </ul>
<b>Cabinet Forward Plan</b>	Standing item	<b>Report from</b> <b>Scrutiny Office</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Better services with less money</li> <li>• Sharing opportunities and sharing responsibilities</li> <li>• Successful London Suburb</li> </ul>
<b>Safeguarding OSC Work Programme</b>	Standing item	<b>Report from</b> <b>Scrutiny Office</b>	<b>Better services with less money-</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Continue to Safeguard vulnerable children and adults from avoidable harm at a time of reduced resources.</li> </ul>

## FUTURE MEETINGS

### SAFEGUARDING OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

ITEMS TO BE CONSIDERED	INFORMATION	REPORT ORIGIN	
<b>Barnet Multi-Agency Safeguarding Board- Annual Report 2010-2011</b>	Committee to consider the annual report on safeguarding vulnerable adults for 2010/11. Regulator requirement.	<b>Requested by</b> Adult Social Services OSSC  <b>Report from</b> Adult Social Services	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Better services with less money</li> <li>• Sharing opportunities and sharing responsibilities</li> <li>• Successful London Suburb</li> </ul>
<b>Children's Governance Structures</b>	Committee have requested a report outlining the Boards and Panels governing the delivery of services for children.	<b>Requested by</b> Children's Services OSSC  <b>Report from</b> Children's Services	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Better services with less money</li> <li>• Sharing opportunities and sharing responsibilities</li> <li>• Successful London Suburb</li> </ul>
<b>Implications of the Green Paper on SEN</b>	Committee have requested a report outlining the implications of the Green Paper.	Report from Children's Services	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Better services with less money</li> <li>• Sharing opportunities and sharing responsibilities</li> <li>• Successful London Suburb</li> </ul>

## FUTURE MEETINGS – ITEMS TO BE ALLOCATED

### SAFEGUARDING OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

ITEMS TO BE CONSIDERED	INFORMATION	REPORT ORIGIN	LINK TO THE CORPORATE PLAN
<b>Charging Policy (Adult Social Services)</b>	Committee to receive a six-month update	<b>Report from</b> Adult Social Services	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Better services with less money</li> <li>• Sharing opportunities and sharing responsibilities</li> <li>• Successful London Suburb</li> </ul>
<b>Domestic Violence Strategy</b>	Committee have requested to scrutinise the current Multi-Agency Domestic Violence Strategy	<b>Report from</b> TBC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Better services with less money</li> <li>• Sharing opportunities and sharing responsibilities</li> <li>• Successful London Suburb</li> </ul>
<b>Annual Complaints Report 2010-2011</b>	Committee to consider the Adult Social Services Annual Complaints Report for 2010/11	<b>Report from</b> Adult Social Services	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Better services with less money</li> <li>• Sharing opportunities and sharing responsibilities</li> <li>• Successful London Suburb</li> </ul>
<b>LINKS Update and Annual Report</b>	Committee to receive an update on Barnet LINKS, together with the LINKS Annual Report for comment.	<b>Report from</b> Policy and Partnerships Group	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Better services with less money</li> <li>• Sharing opportunities and sharing responsibilities</li> <li>• Successful London Suburb</li> </ul>
<b>Update on Personalisation and Adults Social Services</b>		<b>Report from</b> Adult Social Services	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Better services with less money</li> <li>• Sharing opportunities and sharing responsibilities</li> <li>• Successful London Suburb</li> </ul>

<b>Local Authority Trading Company</b>	Committee to receive update report on management arrangements for in-house social care services, particularly role and governance arrangements of the LATC and role of elected members and Council	<b>Report from</b> Adult Social Services	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Better services with less money</li> <li>• Sharing opportunities and sharing responsibilities</li> <li>• Successful London Suburb</li> </ul>
<b>Health and Social Care Integration</b>	Adult Social Services OSSC recommended that a TFG be established to consider Health and Social Care Integration.	<b>Report from</b> Scrutiny Office	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Better services with less money</li> <li>• Sharing opportunities and sharing responsibilities</li> <li>• Successful London Suburb</li> </ul>
<b>Voluntary Sector Procurement Plan (post consultation)</b>		<b>Report from</b> TBC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Better services with less money</li> <li>• Sharing opportunities and sharing responsibilities</li> <li>• Successful London Suburb</li> </ul>

