Education and Children's Social Care Overview and Scrutiny Committee



Date of meeting:	15 June 2022
Title of Report:	Children's Services Scrutiny Performance Report (Q4 2021-22)
Lead Member:	Councillor Charlotte Carlyle
Lead Strategic Director:	Alison Botham (Director for Childrens Services)
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Your Reference:	PSCSS-2021/22(Q4)
Key Decision:	No
Confidentiality:	Part I - Official

Purpose of Report

This is the Children's Services Scrutiny Performance Report for the end of quarter four (as at end of March 2022) and details how the Children's Service directorate is performing against its key performance indicators.

This report forms part of the Council's Delivery and Performance Framework and is a key part of our aim to achieve a 'golden thread' from the Corporate Plan and its KPIs and delivery plans, through to service and team level business plans, and ultimately to individual objectives.

Recommendations and Reasons

The Education and Children's Social Care Overview and Scrutiny Committee is recommended to: note the current position with regard to Children's Services Performance.

Reason: as part of the committees responsibility for monitoring the performance of Children's Services.

Alternative options considered and rejected

The Children's Services Scrutiny Performance Report is a key reporting document that provides transparency on the Council's performance and as such reporting this performance is considered best practice.

Relevance to the Corporate Plan and/or the Plymouth Plan

This report is fundamentally linked to delivering the priorities within the Council's Corporate Plan.

Implications for the Medium Term Financial Plan and Resource Implications:

The Medium Term Financial Strategy is a core component of the Council's strategic framework and has a vital role to play in translating the Council's ambition and priorities set out in the Corporate Plan 2021-25.

Financial Risks

Associated risk regarding performance are managed within the strategic and operational risk registers.

Carbon Footprint (Environmental) Implications:

None identified.

Other Implications: e.g. Health and Safety, Risk Management, Child Poverty:

* When considering these proposals members have a responsibility to ensure they give due regard to the Council's duty to promote equality of opportunity, eliminate unlawful discrimination and promote good relations between people who share protected characteristics under the Equalities Act and those who do not. None identified.

Appendices

*Add rows as required to box below

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Background papers:

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Please list all unpublished, background papers relevant to the decision in the table below. Background papers are <u>unpublished</u> works, relied on to a material extent in preparing the report, which disclose facts or matters on which the report or an important part of the work is based.

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Please confirm the Strategic Director(s) has agreed the report? Yes											
Date agreed: 06/06/2022											
Cabinet Member approval: Councillor Charlotte Carlyle											
Date approved: 06/06/2022											