

Children's Services Scrutiny Committee
Meeting to be held on Wednesday, 20 April 2016

Electoral Division affected:

Special Educational Needs and Disabilities
(Appendix A refers)

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Executive Summary

Attached at Appendix A is a summary on the background of the SEND service to be presented by Brendan Lee, Head of Service Special Educational Needs and Disabilities.

Members were informed at the Committee meeting on 9 March that SEND was a service due shortly to be inspected by Ofsted and it was agreed that prior to an in-depth review the Committee would be provided with an overview of the service to enable them to consider which area would benefit from further scrutiny.

Recommendation

The Children's Services Scrutiny Committee is asked to consider and agree which area of the SEND service they will review through a sub group of the Committee.

Background and Advice

Special Educational Needs and Disability leads the Council's responsibility in implementing and meeting the statutory requirements for children and young people with special educational needs and/or disabilities (SEND).

The Service has four key functions that are covered by integrated teams for:

- Integrated Assessment and Monitoring
- Children with Disabilities
- Educational Psychology
- Specialist Inclusion Teachers.

Brendan Lee, Head of Service Special Educational Needs and Disabilities will present a briefing paper (attached as Appendix A) which sets out the background to the service and highlights aspects of the Ofsted inspection process.

The Committee will be asked to form a sub group to undertake a detailed review of part of the service and report back the findings to the September Committee meeting.

Consultations

N/A

Implications:

This item has the following implications, as indicated:

Risk management

This report has no significant risk implications

Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985 List of Background Papers

Paper	Date	Contact/Tel
n/a	n/a	n/a
Reason for inclusion in Part II, if appropriate		