Education and Children's Services Scrutiny Committee

Meeting to be held on Tuesday, 18 January 2022

Electoral Division affected: (All Divisions);

Corporate Priorities:

Caring for the vulnerable;

Public Health Children's Update and Areas of Concern

(Appendix 'A' refers)

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Brief Summary

The report provides an overview in relation to COVID in children, as well as an update on child health outcomes based on national indicators and child health profiles. The true extent of inequality is not yet known and much of the data is annual if not longer, however, the following does provide an update in relation to the health of children in Lancashire.

Recommendation

The Education and Children's Services Scrutiny Committee is asked to:

- i. Acknowledge and discuss the update provided and areas of concern.
- ii. Consider any future scrutiny discussions/updates on specific children's health topics that could be included as part of the rolling scrutiny work programme.

Detail

The pandemic has had a huge impact on the health and wellbeing of children and young people. The demand on Public Health to manage COVID-19 within education settings continues to be a challenge which also impacts on the delivery and commissioning of services for children and young people. This will inevitably have some impact on the outcomes for children and young people and their families.

The report seeks to provide members of the Education and Children's Services Scrutiny Committee with key data on the current picture across Lancashire of children's health and areas of concern.

Consultations

NA



Implications:

This item has the following implications, as indicated:

Risk management

Finance

There are no financial implications at this stage.

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

Paper Date Contact/Tel

NA

Reason for inclusion in Part II, if appropriate

NA