

LONDON BOROUGH OF CAMDEN	WARDS: All
REPORT TITLE: Children, Schools and Families Scrutiny Committee’s Work Programme and Action Tracker 2024-25	
REPORT OF: Executive Director, Children and Learning	
FOR SUBMISSION TO: Children, Schools and Families Scrutiny Committee	DATE: 14 January 2024
SUMMARY OF REPORT: This report provides an outline of the 2024-25 work programme (Appendix 1), the 2025-26 provisional work programme (Appendix 2), and an update on actions requested at previous meetings (Appendix 3). Local Government Act 1972 – Access to information: No documents that are required to be listed were used in the preparation of this report. Contact Officer: Hannah Raffin, Project Manager - Children's Social Care, Supporting People Strategy, London Borough of Camden 5 Pancras Square, London, N1C 4AG 020 7974 2977 / hannah.raffin@camden.gov.uk	
RECOMMENDATIONS: The Children, Schools and Families Scrutiny Committee is asked to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) note the Committee’s Work Programme for 2024-25 (Appendix 1) b) note the Committee’s provisional Work Programme for 2025-26 (Appendix 2) and c) note the Committee’s Action Tracker (Appendix 3) 	

Signed by:



Tim Aldridge, Executive Director, Children and Learning

Date: 2 January 2025

1 Purpose of the Report

- 1.1 This report gives the Committee an opportunity to review its 2024-2025 work programme and consult the 2025-2026 provisional work programme. A work programme of key reports for the year 2024-25 is set out in Appendix 1. A provisional work programme of potential key reports for the year 2025-26 is set out in Appendix 2.
- 1.2 The Children, Schools and Families (CSF) Scrutiny Committee's work programme has been developed to reflect:
 - 1.2.1 the corporate priorities of the Council,
 - 1.2.2 the priorities of relevant portfolio holders,
 - 1.2.3 priorities from relevant health and education partners,
 - 1.2.4 and the priority areas which have previously been identified by the Committee and other relevant panels.
- 1.3 Suggestions and proposals from each meeting can be incorporated into the programme as the year progresses. Relevant Cabinet Reports may also be considered throughout the year by the committee before they are taken to Cabinet.
- 1.4 An action tracker of Committee Member queries at meetings that require an action following the meeting is set out in Appendix 3.

2 Terms of reference

The committee has the following terms of reference:

To scrutinise the Council's policies relating to children and the provision, planning, financing, management and performance of children's services, provided by the Children and Learning Directorate and other service providers.

3 Meeting dates of 2024-25 municipal year

- Tuesday 16 July 2024
- Thursday 8 October 2024
- Thursday 11 November 2024
- Tuesday 10 December 2024
- **Tuesday 14 January 2025**
- Monday 24 February 2025

4 Scrutiny Panels

The Committee can form scrutiny panels to look at more specific areas under its remit. Scrutiny panels should be established with clear terms of reference and target date to report back to the main Committee.

5 Legal comments of the Borough Solicitor

The Borough Solicitor has considered the report and has no comments to add to the report.

6 Finance Comments of the Executive Director Corporate Services

The Director of Finance has been consulted on the contents of this report and has no comment to make.

7 Environmental Implications

There are no environmental implications arising from this report.

8 Appendices

Appendix 1 - CSF Scrutiny Committee Work Programme 2024-25

Appendix 2 - CSF Scrutiny Committee Provisional Work Programme 2025-26

Appendix 3 - CSF Scrutiny Committee Action Tracker 2024-25