CHILDREN, EDUCATION AND SKILLS SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

6 OCTOBER 2016

REPORT OF THE HEAD OF AREA ARRANGEMENTS, SCRUTINY AND MEMBER SUPPORT

OPPORTUNITIES FOR CONSULTATION WITH YOUNG PEOPLE

1. Purpose of the Report

1.1 To consider members involvement in opportunities to consult with young people in the city.

2. Background

- 2.1 In setting its work programme for the year, the Committee requested that members be provided with the opportunity to meet and receive feedback from young people living in the city.
- 2.2 As part of this process arrangements have already been made for two young people from the Youth Parliament to attend future meetings in order to provide their views on issues coming before the Committee.
- 2.3 This report provides details on a number of other meetings which Members are invited to attend in order to hear the voice of young people including Sunderland Youth Parliament; the Change Council and the Children's Trust Advisory Service.

3. Current Position

3.1 Arrangements have been made for members of the Committee to be invited to future meetings of three bodies; the Sunderland Youth Parliament, the Change Council and the Children's Trust Advisory Service. The dates of each for the remainder of the year are set out below:-

Sunderland Youth Parliament

Wednesday 12th October 5.00-6.30pm in CR 5

Wednesday 19th October 5.00-6.30pm in CR 5

Wednesday 26th October 5.00-6.30pm in CR 5

Wednesday 2nd November 5.00-6.30pm in CR 5

Wednesday 9th November 5.00-6.30pm in CR 5

Wednesday 16th November – Afternoon tea in Café Refresh

Friday 18th November – all day – Takeover Day Challenge

Wednesday 23rd November 5.00-6.30pm in CR 5

Friday 25th November 9.30-12.00pm in the Council Chambers – YP State of the City Debate

Wednesday 30th November 5.00-6.30pm in CR 5

Wednesday 7th December 5.00-6.30pm in CR 5

Change Council

Wednesday 5th October 5.00-6.30 at Next Steps, West Sunniside

Wednesday 2nd November 5.00-6.30 at Next Steps, West Sunniside

Wednesday 7th December 5.00-6.30 at Next Steps, West Sunniside

Children's Trust Advisory Network

Tuesday 4th October 4.45-6.00pm in CR5

Tuesday 8th November 4.45-6.00pm in CR5

Tuesday 6th December 4.45-6.00pm in CR5

3.2 The young people have suggested that no more than *two* members of the Committee should be present at any one meeting. They have also asked that any requests for the inclusion of an item on the agenda of the Youth Parliament should be via a request form.

4 Conclusion

4.1 The report sets out the opportunities available to members to consult with young people in the city.

5. Recommendations

5.1 The Scrutiny Committee is asked to consider which meetings they would be interested in attending.

6. Glossary

None

7 Background Papers

None