

**ANNUAL REVIEW OF THE CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLES PLAN AND  
ANNUAL PERFORMANCE ASSESSMENT 2008**

**REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF CHILDREN'S SERVICES**

**Strategic Priority Learning City CIO1**

**1. WHY HAS THIS REPORT COME TO THE COMMITTEE?**

To share first drafts and update members on:

- the progress being made in completing the second annual review of the Children and Young People's Plan 2006-9
- the progress in putting together a self assessment to submit as part of the Annual Performance Assessment (APA) for 2008

**2 BACKGROUND**

2.1 Members have received reports at the March and June meetings about the 2008 APA process. A letter dated 16 May was received from Ofsted, formally requesting:

- A self assessment or review of the Children and Young Peoples' Plan
- A self evaluation of grades for each of the five Every Child Matters outcomes, the Council's contribution to children's services overall and the capacity to improve these services
- Minutes of the Local Safeguarding Children Board for the previous 12 months and, where available, the LSCB plan

The deadline for the submission of this information is Thursday 26th June.

2.2 Early in the process, the Committee agreed that the submission of a self assessment was the most effective way to present the progress made during the last year.

2.3 In addition an annual review of the Children and Young People's Plan has also been undertaken. The 2006/7 review has proved to be a useful 'outward facing' document to demonstrate progress against the actions in the Plan to a wider audience.

### **3 ANNUAL REVIEW OF THE CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE'S PLAN 2007/8**

- 3.1 The most up to date version of the review will be tabled at the meeting. Members will have an opportunity to contribute to the review until Friday 20 June 2008. A near final version will be circulated to members of this committee on Monday 23 June 2008 to offer another chance to contribute before the planned completion date of 26 June.

### **4 SELF ASSESSMENT OF PROGRESS DURING 2007/8**

- 4.1 The most up to date version of the self assessment will be tabled at the meeting. Members will have an opportunity to comment on to the final version until Friday 20 June 2008. A near final version will be circulated to members of this committee on Monday 23 June 2008, before the submission is sent off on 26 June.
- 4.2 Ofsted also require the submission of a set of self-evaluation grades. Our proposed submission is attached at Appendix One.

### **5 RECOMMENDATIONS**

Members are asked to:

- (i) Consider the draft of the 2007/8 annual review of the Children and Young People's Plan and offer any comments, by 20 June 2008, to Karen Parry (tel. 0191 5661794) [karen.parry@sunderland.gov.uk](mailto:karen.parry@sunderland.gov.uk).
- (ii) Consider the draft of the 2008 self assessment for submission as part of the APA process, and offer any comments, by 20 June 2008, to Norma Hardy (tel 0191 5611438) [norma.hardy@sunderland.gov.uk](mailto:norma.hardy@sunderland.gov.uk).
- (iii) Consider the proposed set of self evaluation grades and offer any comment.