

Children's Services Scrutiny Panel

Increasing Young People's Involvement in Service Design and Delivery: Policy Review recommendations 2012/13

Ref	Recommendation	Action	Owner	Due Date	Progress Commentary
(a)	That Children's Services explore the potential for an information sharing support mechanism between schools to share examples of best practice in relation to the operation and performance of school councils and also look at the development of links between school governing bodies and young people	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Update provided to all schools at Headteacher Termly meetings in June regarding progress on the participation agenda. 	B Scanlon	June 2013	To be provided as part of the Annual Monitoring of Scrutiny Recommendations
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Seek nominations from schools to be involved in best practice review. 	B Scanlon	June 2013	
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Encourage governing bodies to consider how they involve children and young people representatives in governance matters. A report to be included in the next Termly Agenda Booklet. 	A Rowntree	Sept 2013	
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Invite Governor representatives to future meeting of the Children's Trust Advisory Network (CTAN) to seek their views as to how young people would wish to be engaged by Governing Bodies. 	A Rowntree	Sept 2013	
(b)	That Scrutiny Members consider the possibility of the Scrutiny Committee or representative Scrutiny Panel being actively involved in Takeover Day 2013	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Participation and Engagement Officer to ensure that an invitation is forwarded to Scrutiny Committee to participate in Takeover Day 2013 	J Wheeler / J Peuch	November 2013	As above

(c)	That consideration is given, by the Communications Team, to the appointment of a Participation and Engagement Champion to promote and support the work of participation and engagement within the Communications Team;	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Corporate Affairs and Communications to provide a comms rep. Name tbc once comms team reorganised under People, Place, Economy. 	S Meredith	November 2013	As above
(d)	To explore how the views of young people can be best represented in the statutory governance arrangements of the Sunderland Health and Wellbeing Board and the Sunderland Safeguarding Children's Board	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Invite representatives of both Boards to work with CTAN to develop links to ensure that their views can be taken into account when decisions are being made. Sunderland Safeguarding Children Board to work with Young Inspectors to assess the effectiveness of their processes. 	<p>J Peuch</p> <p>J Peuch</p>	<p>Dec 2013</p> <p>June 2013</p>	As above