

Children & Young People Scrutiny Work Programme 2024/25

Issue / Topic	Brief Description	Directorate	Council Values/Priorities	Format	Meeting Comments
7 November 2024 – Committee Meeting					
Terms of Reference	For the Committee to agree the Terms of Reference for 2024/25.	Policy & Governance	A community-focussed, innovative council providing efficient, effective and quality services.	Committee Agenda Item	Constitutional Function.
	Outcomes: Members agreed the terms of reference for the 2024/25 municipal year.				
Work Programme	For the Committee to agree the proposed work programme for 2024/25.	Policy & Governance	A community-focussed, innovative council providing efficient, effective and quality services.	Committee Agenda Item	Draft work programme delegated to each scrutiny committee by SMB on 3 September 2024.
	Outcomes: Members agreed the updated work programme for the 2024/25 municipal year.				
Children's Services Ofsted Inspection Outcome Report and Action Plan	For the Committee to receive an update on the outcome and actions arising from the July 2024 Ofsted inspection of Children's Services.	Children's Services	Every child, young person and adult lives well in their community.	Committee Agenda Item	New suggestion for 2024/25 work programme.
	Outcomes: Members received an update on the results of the recent ILACS inspection which took place between April and May 2024 and the Council's progress in completing actions as part of the action plan submitted following the inspection.				

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School Attendance	For the Committee to receive an update on school attendance and absenteeism for the preceding academic year.	Education & Skills	Every child, young person and adult lives well in their community.	Committee Agenda Item	New suggestion for 2024/25 work programme.
	Outcomes: Members received an update on the attendance statistics for Telford and Wrekin schools and how the Council were collaboratively working with schools and academies to implement the updated guidance around absenteeism published by the DfE in August 2024.				

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30 January 2025 – Committee Meeting					
Annual Telford & Wrekin Local Safeguarding Report	For the Committee to review the Annual Safeguarding Report from 2022/23 and 2023/24.	Policy & Governance Safeguarding	Every child, young person and adult lives well in their community.	Committee Agenda Item	Standing Item.
	Outcomes: Members received the Telford & Wrekin Local Safeguarding Children Board Annual report for the 2022/23 and 2023/24 financial years. Members heard that the Board's main priorities had included addressing child neglect and exploitation in Telford and Wrekin.				
Education Attainment and Outcomes	For the Committee to review the education attainment for the Borough for 2023/24.	Education & Skills	Every child, young person and adult lives well in their community.	Committee Agenda Item	Constitutional Function.
	Outcomes: Members received a presentation which outlined the statistics for education attainment for Telford & Wrekin schools for the 2023/24 academic year for pupils in KS1 to KS4.				

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20 March 2025 – Committee Meeting					
School Admissions and Placements	For the Committee to review the Council's process for allocating school places across Telford and Wrekin.	Education & Skills	Every child, young person and adult lives well in their community.	Committee Agenda Item	New suggestion for 2024/25 work programme.
	Outcomes: Members received a presentation which outlined the process for allocating school places in Telford and Wrekin including how parents can appeal for a school place.				

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1 May 2025 – Committee Meeting					
SEND	For the Committee to receive an update on the Council's provision for SEND including identification, placements and funding.	Education & Skills	Every child, young person and adult lives well in their community.	Committee Agenda Item	New suggestion received for 2024/25 work programme.
	Outcomes:				