

Children and Young People Scrutiny Committee
9 June 2022

Implementation of agreed budget savings relating to Children's Integrated Services

Report of the Head of Legal and Governance

1 Purpose

- 1.1 To review progress in implementation of budget savings relating to Children's Integrated Services and the development of transformation of children's centres and play and youth services.

2 Action required

- 2.1 The Committee is asked to review the progress in implementation, and plans for implementation going forward and:
- a) whether it wishes to make any comments or recommendations; and
 - b) the focus and timescales for further scrutiny.

3 Background information

- 3.1 The Committee considered and commented on the proposed budget savings relating to Children's Integrated Services at its meeting in November 2021, as part of the consultation on the Medium Term Financial Plan (MTFP). A range of savings for 2022/23 were subsequently agreed as part of the MTFP, which Council approved in March 2022.
- 3.2 The Committee wanted to look at plans for implementing the agreed savings relating to Children's Integrated Services and progress in delivering those plans to ensure that the necessary financial savings are achieved; that there is a smooth transition to new ways of working and models of delivery including good communication, engagement and, where appropriate, consultation with affected citizens; and that statutory duties continue to be delivered appropriately.
- 3.3 Attached is an update report from the Portfolio Holder for Children, Young People and Schools and the Director of Children's Integrated Services setting out the current position for each of the agreed budget savings. They will be attending the meeting to answer questions from the Committee.
- 3.4 The MTFP also included funding to support transformation, including in relation to Children's Integrated Services. The Committee received an

update on the transformation programme at its meeting in March and the report provides a further update on the associated procurement activity.

4 List of attached information

- 4.1 'Children's Integrated Services: Implementation of Agreed Budget Savings' briefing from Corporate Director for People, Director for Children's Integrated Services and Portfolio Holder for Children, Young People and Schools

5 Background papers, other than published works or those disclosing exempt or confidential information

- 5.1 None

6 Published documents referred to in compiling this report

- 6.1 Reports to, and minutes of meetings of the Children and Young People Scrutiny Committee held on 25 November 2021 and 31 March 2022
- 6.2 'Children's Social Care Service Redesign' and 'Medium Term Financial Plan 2022/23 to 2025/26' reports to Executive Board on 22 February 2022
- 6.3 'Budget 2022/23' report to Council on 7 March 2022

7 Wards affected

- 7.1 All

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