Children's Services Scrutiny Committee Remit 2019/20

- (1) To monitor and review and make recommendations to the Council and/or to the Cabinet or Executive Cabinet Member for Children's Services with regard to all policy and operational matters falling within the purview of this portfolio.
- (2) To recommend to the Council a programme of reviews to be undertaken by the Committee with regard to matters falling within the purview of the Executive Cabinet Member for Children's Services and to recommend the Council accordingly on the outcome of such reviews.
- (3) To receive performance reports and Inspector reports thereon, relating to the functions falling within the purview of the Executive Cabinet Member for Children's Services.
- (4) To make recommendations to the Council as to such additional/occasional reviews which the Committee wishes to consider outside the annual programme.
- (5) To set up Scrutiny Panels to undertake in-depth reviews of current policies and practices with a view to identifying areas for future policy development.
- (6) To consider matters referred to it by members of the Committee in accordance with Standing Order 36.
- (7) The Committee shall have the power to summon the Executive Cabinet Member for Children's Services, relevant local authority chief officers and the Chair and appropriate officers of the Health and Wellbeing Board to attend its meetings to consider and give evidence on matters before the Committee.
- (8) The Committee shall have the power to seek the views of experts and advisers and to co-opt lay members.
- (9) The Quorum for a meeting of the Committee shall be five.
- (10) The committee may by its chair request a Policy Development Group to be called to consider the development of a new policy or changes to an existing policy.

Subject to the acts and proceedings of the Committee being approved by the Council.