

AGENDA ITEM: 14(B)

OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY BOARD

14 DECEMBER 2004

**CHILDREN AND LEARNING SCRUTINY PANEL –
PROGRESS REPORT**

PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

1. To inform the Members of the Overview and Scrutiny Board of the progress made to date by the Children and Learning Scrutiny Panel.

PROGRESS OF THE PANEL

2. Since my last progress report to this Board on 16 November 2004, the Panel will have re-visited its original Work Programme in light of recent Ofsted Inspections etc at its meeting on 1 December 2004 as proposed in Table 1:-

Table 1 – Proposed Revisions to the 2004/05 Work Programme of the Children and Learning Scrutiny Panel

Date of Panel Meeting	Topic	
1 December 2004	East Middlesbrough Primary School Provision Review Aim – To review the proposed consultation process.	Annual Standards Report (To include Exclusions, Attendance and Racist Incidents Data) Aim - To consider the performance and trends of the Authority's schools over the last year for Key Stages 1-4.
22 December 2004		
Date of Panel Meeting	Topic	

13 January 2005	Ofsted Inspection Reports for Ayresome, Berwick Hills, Fernwood, Kader and Kings Manor Schools)	
	Aim – To consider the findings of the Individual Schools Ofsted Inspections in particular the performance against Ofsted criteria and to consider the views of the responsible Headteachers/Chair of Governors.	
1 February 2005	14-19 Agenda	
24 February 2005		
17 March 2005		Middlesbrough Youth Service Ofsted Inspection Action Plan (subject to publication)
		Aim – To consider the findings of the Ofsted Inspection and proposed Action Plan
7 April 2005		
28 April 2005		

(Note – Any amendments made at the Panel Meeting held on 1 December 2004 will be reported verbally to the Board at this meeting).

3. The Panel has also commenced its second scrutiny investigation into the East Middlesbrough Primary School Provision Review. A presentation supplemented by a written report was presented to the Panel by the Assistant Head of Planning and Information from the Authority's Education Department at its meeting on 1 December 2004.
4. It is envisaged that this review will be carried out over a short period of time, concluding its findings by the end of this year.

RECOMMENDATION

5. It is recommended that the Overview and Scrutiny Board:-
 - (a) notes the progress of the Children and Learning Scrutiny Panel; and
 - (b) endorses the re-prioritised 2004/5 Work Programme of the Children and Learning Scrutiny Panel.

**COUNCILLOR LINDA WILSON
CHAIR OF THE CHILDREN AND LEARNING SCRUTINY PANEL**

BACKGROUND PAPERS

No background papers were used in the preparation of this report.