AGENDA ITEM 12(a)

OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY BOARD

3RD APRIL 2007

CHILDREN AND LEARNING SCRUTINY PANEL - PROGRESS REPORT

PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

1. To provide members of the Overview and Scrutiny Board (OSB) with an update on the work of the Children and Learning Scrutiny Panel.

RECOMMENDATION

2. That the Overview and Scrutiny Board notes the updated position.

BACKGROUND

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3. Since the last update report was prepared for OSB, the Children and Learning Scrutiny Panel has met twice (1st and 22nd March 2007) and considered the following matters:

4. 1st March 2007:

- (a) Update on Building Schools for the Future: the panel agreed to support the BSF process as outlined and await further updates as proposals are finalised.
- (b) A presentation on the statutory responsibilities associated with developing the Children and Young People Strategic Plan: the panel was advised that a further report on the updated plan would be submitted to its next meeting.

5. **22nd March 2007**:

(a) A presentation on the role and responsibilities of school governors - including issues associated with training and recruitment and retention.

- (b) The "Supporting Children and Young People " theme of the 2007/08 Strategic Plan: the scrutiny panel agreed to endorse the content of the plan subject to comments which will be reported to OSB at its next meeting.
- (c) An update report on the implementation of recommendations which have been made by the scrutiny panel.

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