

OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY BOARD

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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

3. Since the last update report to OSB, the Children and Learning Scrutiny Panel has met once, on 24 November 2008.
4. At that meeting, the panel continued its investigation of Middlesbrough Youth Service and Connexions. The panel had previously considered a broad overview of these subject areas and on 24 November approved the terms of reference for the new scrutiny topic.
5. The scrutiny panel also considered the following reports:
 - Annual School Standards Report - this set out information in respect of educational outcomes (at the Key Foundation Stage, Key Stages 1, 2 and 3), attendance and exclusions for the 2007/08 academic year.

- OFSTED reports, covering five schools, for the period January to August 2008.
- Building Schools for the Future (BSF) project update/progress report.

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