



## **OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY BOARD**

**5 APRIL 2011**

### **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 to OSB the Children and Learning Scrutiny Panel has met once, on 24 March 2011.
4. At that meeting, the scrutiny panel considered information on the 2011-12 Corporate Management Framework. The submitted report outlined:
  - How the performance management framework contributes to the Council's Strategic Plan.
  - Changes which have been made to the national performance monitoring framework, including a significant reduction in the number of performance indicators (PIs), as a result of the change of Government in 2010.
  - The key elements of the revised framework.
  - The key indicators that are proposed to be developed further in respect of the Children, Families and Learning Department and the Middlesbrough Children's Trust.

- The improvement priorities that have been identified to support development of the performance indicators.
5. The meeting also considered an update on the results of OFSTED inspections across all of Middlesbrough's schools since 2006, together with detailed results for inspections carried out during 2010.
  6. In terms of the panel's remaining meeting before the forthcoming local elections, arrangements are being made for the scrutiny panel to consider:
    - An update on the Building Schools for the Future (BSF) programme.
    - An report on the Council's duty (under the Child Poverty Act 2010) to prepare a Child Poverty Needs Assessment to inform the development of a local Child Poverty Strategy.

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