

Dear Councillor

OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY BOARD - WEDNESDAY 29TH JULY, 2026

I am now able to enclose, for consideration at next Wednesday 29th July, 2026 meeting of the Overview and Scrutiny Board, the chosen work topics and updates by the Children's Scrutiny Panel that were unavailable when the agenda was printed.

Agenda No Item

9. **Setting the Scrutiny Work Programme 2026-2027 (Pages 3 - 4)**

For decision.

The Board will be presented with the proposed scrutiny work programme for 2026-2027.

Yours sincerely

Democratic Services.

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Councillors Councillor Lewis Young (Chair) T Mohan (Vice-Chair) D Branson, E Clynch, D Coupe, J Ewan, J Kabuye, L Lewis, J McTigue, I Morrish, J Rush, M Saunders, Z Uddin, G Wilson, J Young, C Cooke - Elected Mayor and N Walker

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UPDATE – OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY BOARD

**ITEM 9 - SETTING THE SCRUTINY WORK
PROGRAMME 2026-27**

**CHILDREN'S SERVICES WORK TOPICS
(AGREED 27 JULY 2026)**

In Depth Reviews:

Tackling child poverty in schools.

Updates:

Ofsted Improvement Plan. (Regular updates on progress against the improvement plan)

SEND Reforms. (Regular updates on the impact of SEND reforms in Middlesbrough).

South Tees Children Safeguarding Board. (Annual Update)

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