#### CHILDREN AND LIFELONG LEARNING SCRUTINY PANEL

DATE	17 <sup>th</sup> November 2022
REPORT OF	Assistant Chief Executive (Statutory Scrutiny Officer)
SUBJECT	Tracking the Recommendations of the Children and Lifelong Learning Scrutiny Panel
STATUS	Open

### CONTRIBUTION TO THE COUNCIL PLAN/STRATEGIC AIMS

The scrutiny panels act as a reviewing mechanism for decisions made relating to the strategic policy, performance and resources required to deliver the ambitions of the Council and its key partnerships The aim of the scrutiny process is to make sure decision making is robust by providing constructive challenge. This contributes to the Council being effective and efficient, and therefore is integral to the delivery of the Council Plan.

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The scrutiny panels have adopted a template in order to track their recommendations.

# MATTER(S) FOR CONSIDERATION

Members are asked to look at the progress against the recommendations and agree to sign off any recommendations that have been completed, so that they can be removed from the table.

#### 1. BACKGROUND AND ISSUES

- 1.1 Each scrutiny panel has a standard agenda item so that they can check progress against the recommendations they have previously made.
- 1.2 Members are asked to look at the progress against the recommendations and agree to sign off any recommendations that have been completed, so that they can be removed from the table. It would also be effective to sign off any recommendations that have not been completed but which are no longer considered to be an efficient use of resources, or where priorities have changed.
- 1.3 Appendix A of this report contains the recommendations previously made by the Children and Lifelong Learning Scrutiny Panel.

#### 2. RISKS AND OPPORTUNITIES

- **2.1** Risk assessments will already have been carried out on the reports that these recommendations have come from.
- 2.2 Any actions which the council may undertake as a result of recommendations made by scrutiny will be the subject of further reports, which will include risk assessment(s) by the author(s) concerned.

#### 3. OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED

3.1 Not applicable to this report.

### 4. REPUTATION AND COMMUNICATIONS CONSIDERATIONS

4.1 The panel's tracking report demonstrates that the panel monitors progress on its recommendations and required actions. This report further demonstrates the breadth of matters considered by scrutiny.

#### 5. FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

5.1 There are no financial considerations included within this report, beyond scrutiny's enhanced role in monitoring delivery of the council's budget and medium term financial plan.

## 6. IMPLICATIONS FOR CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE

6.1 There are no impacts on children and young people as a direct result of this report. The reports that these tracked items have come from will have been assessed for any such impact.

Any actions which the council may undertake as a result of recommendations made by scrutiny will be the subject of further reports, which will include children and young people implications by the author(s) concerned.

#### 7. CLIMATE CHANGE AND ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS

7.1 There are no impacts on climate change and the environment as a direct result of this report. The reports that these tracked items have come from will have been assessed for impact.

Any actions which the council may undertake as a result of recommendations made by scrutiny will be the subject of further reports, which will include climate change and environmental implications by the author(s) concerned.

#### 6 MONITORING COMMENTS

6.1 In the opinion of the author, this report does not contain recommended changes to policy or resources (people, finance or physical assets). As a result, no monitoring comments have been sought from the Council's Monitoring Officer (legal), Section 151 Officer (finance) or the Strategic Workforce Lead (human resources).

## 7. WARD IMPLICATIONS

7.1 Potentially impacts on all wards.

# 8. BACKGROUND PAPERS

8.1 Minutes from the Children and Lifelong Learning Scrutiny Panel - <a href="https://democracy.nelincs.gov.uk/meetings/">https://democracy.nelincs.gov.uk/meetings/</a>

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# TRACKING OF RECOMMENDATIONS – CHILDREN AND LIFELONG LEARNING SCRUTINY PANEL

DATE	RECOMMENDATION	RESPONSIBLE	PROGRESS/COMMENTS
21 <sup>st</sup> July 2022	SPCLL.9 2021/22 PROVISIONAL FINANCIAL OUTTURN REPORT  RESOLVED - That children's education and social care out of area figures be broken down and circulated to members of the Children and Lifelong Learning Scrutiny Panel.	Assistant Director Education & Inclusion	
21 <sup>st</sup> July 2022	SPCLL.12 SPECIAL EDUCATION NEEDS AND DISABILITY (SEND) UPDATE  RESOLVED - That the Assistant Director for Education and Inclusion consider a focus on a Joint Workshop with Health and Adult Social Care Scrutiny Panel to look at the whole family approach which contributes to the early help and prevention agenda.	Assistant Director Education & Inclusion	Officers are awaiting the outcome of the start for life submission, following which a joint workshop will be convened to consider how the findings of the CYP JSNA can shape and inform the direction of Early Help and Prevention and the Start for life Programme.  A preparation meeting has been set up for Officers on the 28th November 2022.

22 <sup>nd</sup> September 2022	<ul> <li>SPCLL.26 UK SHARED PROSPERITY FUND (MULTIPLY)</li> <li>RESOLVED – <ol> <li>That the Multiply Investment Plan be shared with the Members of the Children and Lifelong Learning Scrutiny Panel.</li> </ol> </li> <li>That a progress report on 'Multiply' be added to the Children and Lifelong Scrutiny Panels work programme for appropriate to the Children and Lifelong Scrutiny Panels work programme for appropriate to the Children and Lifelong Scrutiny Panels work programme for appropriate to the Children and Lifelong Scrutiny Panels work programme for appropriate to the Children and Lifelong Scrutiny Panels work programme for appropriate to the Children and Lifelong Scrutiny Panels work programme for the Children and Lifelong Scrutiny Panels work programm</li></ul>	Strategic Lead Skills and Employability Scrutiny and Committee Advisor	This was shared with all panel members via email on the 28 <sup>th</sup> September 2022.
22 <sup>nd</sup> September 2022	SPCLL.30 CHILDREN'S SOCIAL CARE IMPROVEMENT PLAN  RESOLVED - That the Assistant Director Law, Governance and Assets, in consultation with the Director of Children Services look at the possibility of quantitative evidence, as to the progress around improvement, be fed from the Improvement Board to the Children and Lifelong Learning Scrutiny Panel.	Assistant Director Law, Governance and Assets	The Assistant Director Law, Governance and Assets confirmed that their was sufficient reason for scrutiny to receive reports/assurance on progress being made within Children's Services (agenda item 9 refers)
22 <sup>nd</sup> September 2022	SPCLL.30 REVIEW OF 16 PLUS EDUCATION TRANSPORT POLICY  RECOMMENDED TO CABINET - That as part of the post 16 SEND transport review, that where applicable, a full cost recovery approach be looked at, based on an individual assessment being done where necessary.	Assistant Director of Education and Inclusion	The recommendation was referred to Cabinet, where a decision will be made at their meeting on 21st December 2022.