

Report to: **CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE'S SCRUTINY COMMITTEE**

Relevant Officer: Sharon Davis, Scrutiny Manager

Date of Meeting: 7 October 2021

FORWARD PLAN

1.0 Purpose of the report:

1.1 To consider the contents of the Council's Forward Plan, October 2021 to January 2022, within the remit of the Committee.

2.0 Recommendation(s):

2.1 Members will have the opportunity to question the relevant Cabinet Members in relation to items contained within the Forward Plan within the portfolios of Inclusion, Youth and Transience and Children's Social Care and Schools.

2.2 Members will have the opportunity to consider whether any of the items should be subjected to pre-decision scrutiny. In so doing, account should be taken of any requests or observations made by the relevant Cabinet Member.

3.0 Reasons for recommendation(s):

3.1 To enable the opportunity for pre-decision scrutiny of the Forward Plan items.

3.2 Is the recommendation contrary to a plan or strategy adopted or approved by the Council? No

3.3 Is the recommendation in accordance with the Council's approved budget? Yes

4.0 Other alternative options to be considered:

4.1 None.

5.0 Council Priority:

5.1 The relevant Council Priority is:

- Communities: Creating stronger communities and increasing resilience.

6.0 Background Information

6.1 The Forward Plan is prepared by the Leader of the Council to cover a period of four months and has effect from the first working day of any month. It is updated on a monthly basis and subsequent plans cover a period beginning with the first working day of the second month covered in the preceding plan.

6.2 The Forward Plan contains matters which the Leader has reason to believe will be subject of a key decision to be taken either by the Executive, a Committee of the Executive, individual Cabinet Members or Officers.

6.3 Attached at Appendix 5(a) is a list of items contained in the current Forward Plan. Further details appertaining to each item is contained in the Forward Plan, which has been forwarded to all Members separately.

6.4 The following Cabinet Member is responsible for the Forward Plan item in this report and has been invited to attend the meeting:

- Councillor Jim Hobson, Cabinet Member for Children’s Social Care and Schools.

6.5 Does the information submitted include any exempt information? No

7.0 List of Appendices:

7.1 Appendix 5(a) - Summary of items contained within Forward Plan October 2021 to January 2022.

8.0 Financial considerations:

8.1 None.

9.0 Legal considerations:

9.1 None.

10.0 Risk Management considerations:

10.1 None.

11.0 Equalities considerations:

11.1 None.

12.0 Sustainability, climate change and environmental considerations:

12.1 None.

13.0 Internal/ External Consultation undertaken:

13.1 None.

14.0 Background papers:

14.1 None.