

Children's Services

Overview and Scrutiny Meeting
Friday 13th January @ 9.30am

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Consultation Overview

- Consultation responses from public meetings and questionnaires
- There was support for all the proposals outlined in the consultation
 - Ensuring adherence to criteria for issuing emergency payments to parents under Section 17 (76%)
 - A reduction in grant for Children's Society (51% agreed, 7% suggested this should be based on performance)
 - Reduce Youth Service Neighbourhood provision and start a funding pot for Voluntary and Community sector Groups (68%)

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Impact Assessment Overview

- Childrens Payments - ***Outcome 1: No major change required*** – The Audit report highlighted the need to review the current Section 17 policy to bring it in line with other Local Authorities.
- Youth Service - ***Outcome 2: Adjustments to remove barriers*** – Further consultation will need to take place with Vulnerable groups and the voluntary sector
- Voluntary Grants - ***Outcome 1: No major change required*** - CIA has not identified any potential for adverse impact and all opportunities to promote equality have been taken as providers are involved in development

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Members to consider

- No major impact identified – Voluntary Grants & Payments to parents - advise to agree proposals.
- Youth Service – members to consider that further consultation should take place with Vulnerable groups and the voluntary sector

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