

Meeting: Lifelong Learning Scrutiny Sub-Committee
Date: 4 April 2006
Subject: Statementing Process for Children with Statements of Special Educational Needs
Responsible Officer: Paul Clark, Director of Children's Services
Contact Officer: Roger Rickman, Group Manager Special Needs Services
Portfolio Holder: Councillor Bill Stephenson, Education and Lifelong Learning
Key Decision: No
Status: Public

Section 1: Summary

Decision Required

Not applicable

Reason for report

A group appointed by the Lifelong Learning Scrutiny Sub Committee completed a review of the statementing process for children with SEN in July 2004. At its meeting in October 2004, the committee requested a report detailing progress and actions in relation to the recommendations of the review. This was presented in January 2005. This report provides a follow up on progress made against the agreed actions outlined in the January 2005 report.

Benefits

The progress against the action plan has ensured a higher quality service delivery, with better systems in place for communicating with parents.

Cost of Proposals

Not applicable

Risks

Not applicable

Implications if recommendations rejected

Not applicable

Section 2: Report

Brief History

An updated action plan attached to the report as appendices gives details of the progress towards the actions suggested by the committee in their review of June 2004.

Options considered

Not applicable

Consultation

Not applicable

Financial Implications

Not applicable

Legal Implications

Not applicable

Equalities Impact

An improved service for the needs of our diverse community.

Section 3: Supporting Information/ Background Documents

Appendix One gives a summary of actions completed against the recommendations of the committee.

Background papers:

Lifelong Learning Scrutiny Sub-Committee, Report of the Scrutiny Review group, Statementing Process for Children with Special Educational Needs, June 2004.

Response to the Recommendations put forward by the Scrutiny of the statementing process for children with SEN, Lifelong Learning Scrutiny Sub-Committee, 12 January 2005.