



Shropshire Council
Legal and Democratic Services
Shirehall
Abbey Foregate
Shrewsbury
SY2 6ND

Date: Tuesday, 7 July 2015

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Committee:
Young People's Scrutiny Committee

Date: Wednesday, 15 July 2015

Time: 10.00 am

Venue: Shrewsbury Room, Shirehall, Abbey Foregate, Shrewsbury, Shropshire, SY2 6ND

You are requested to attend the above meeting.
The Agenda is attached

Claire Porter
Head of Legal and Democratic Services (Monitoring Officer)

Members of the Committee

Joyce Barrow (Chairman)
Peggy Mullock (Vice Chairman)
Andy Boddington
Hannah Fraser
Vince Hunt

Kevin Pardy
John Price
Robert Tindall
Kevin Turley
David Turner

Co-opted Members (Voting):

Austin Atkinson
Vacancy
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Diocese of Shrewsbury (RC)
Diocese of Hereford (CE)
Parent Governor – Secondary Schools
Parent Governor – Primary & Special Schools

Co-opted Members (Non-Voting):

Mark Hignett

Voluntary and Community Sector
Assembly

Substitute Members:

Charlotte Barnes
Dean Carroll
Peter Cherrington
Roger Evans
Jane MacKenzie

William Parr
Stuart West
Michael Wood
Tina Woodward
Paul Wynn

Your Committee Officer is:

Tim Ward Committee Officer

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AGENDA

1 Apologies and Substitutions

To receive apologies for absence from Members of the Committee

2 Disclosable Pecuniary Interests

Members are reminded they must not participate in the discussion or vote on any matter in which they have a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest and should leave the room prior to the commencement of the debate.

3 Minutes (Pages 1 - 2)

The minutes of the meeting, held on 14 May 2015, are attached for confirmation.

The minutes of the meeting held on 24 June 2015 are to follow

4 Public Question Time

To receive any questions, statements or petitions of which members of the public have given notice.

Deadline for notification is: 5.00pm on Friday 10 July 2015

5 Members' Question Time

To receive any questions of which Members of the Council have given notice.

Deadline for notification: 5.00pm on Friday 10 July 2015

6 Provision of Childcare and Early Years Education (Pages 3 - 8)

To receive the report of the Director of Children's Services attached marked 6

7 Schools Sustainability

Report to follow marked 7

8 Compliments and Compliments (Pages 9 - 14)

To receive the report of the Director of Children's Services attached marked 8

9 Peer Review

To receive a verbal update on the recent Peer Review from the Director of Children's Services

10 Work Programme (Pages 15 - 30)

The current Scrutiny Work Programme and Cabinet Forward plan are attached

11 Date of Next Meeting

Members are reminded that the next scheduled meeting will take place on Wednesday 16 September 2015 at 10.00am at The Shirehall



YOUNG PEOPLE'S SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Minutes of the meeting held on 14 May 2015 in the Council Chamber, Shirehall, Abbey Foregate, Shrewsbury, SY2 6ND

Responsible Officer: Tim Ward
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Present

Shropshire Councillors

Councillor Joyce Barrow (Chairman)
Councillors Peggy Mullock (Vice Chairman), Andy Boddington, Hannah Fraser, Vince Hunt, Kevin Parry, John Price, Robert Tindall, Kevin Turley and David Turner

1 Election of Chairman

- 1.1 Nominations were received for Councillor Mrs Barrow and Councillor Mrs Fraser
- 1.2 Following a vote it was resolved that Councillor Mrs Joyce Barrow be elected Chairman of the Young People's Scrutiny Committee for the ensuing year

2 Apologies

- 2.1 There were no apologies for absence

3 Appointment of Vice-Chairman

- 3.1 Nominations were received for Councillor Mrs Fraser and Councillor Mrs Mullock
- 3.2 Following a vote it was resolved that Councillor Mrs Peggy Mullock be elected Vice - Chairman of the Young People's Scrutiny Committee for the ensuing year

4 Date of Next Meeting

- 4.1 Members were reminded that the next meeting of the Young Peoples Scrutiny Committee would be held on Wednesday 24th June 2015 at 10 am in the Shrewsbury Room.

Signed (Chairman)

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Committee

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INFORMATION ON THE PROVISION OF CHILDCARE AND EARLY YEARS EDUCATION

Responsible Officer Karen Bradshaw

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1. Summary

The local authority's revised responsibilities for the provision of early years and childcare places are set out in a paper published by the department for Education (DfE) in September 2014.

This statutory guidance is for English local authorities and outlines their duties under sections 6, 7, 7A, 9A, 12 and 13 of the Childcare Act 2006.

In summary these requirements are:

- to secure sufficient childcare for working parents;
- to secure early years provision free of charge for all parents wanting to take up their entitlement;
- to provide information, advice and assistance to parents and prospective parents about the childcare provision in their local area;
- to provide information, support and guidance to any childcare provider failing to achieve an Ofsted outcome at inspection of at least good.

2. Recommendations

Scrutiny panel is asked to consider the information and comment.

REPORT

Background

The Local Authority (LA) is required to ensure that every child is able to access their free early years entitlement. Parents are not obliged to take up their entitlement but the LA is required to ensure that parents can take up a free place which is accessible to them and which meets the quality standards set out by Ofsted in their regulation and inspection framework.

The current entitlement is as follows:

- Universal entitlement for all children to 570 hours of free childcare each academic year from the term after their third birthday until the point that they start school.
- The same entitlement is also available for two year olds whose families meet the free school meals eligibility criteria, for children with disabilities and for looked after children.

Places are provided across a range of early years settings including maintained nursery classes in primary and infant schools, private nurseries, playgroups, pre-schools and through childminders. Around 70% of all places in Shropshire are commissioned from the private and voluntary sector.

At the moment around 95% of three and four year old children access all, or some part of, their free entitlement. Take up is consistent across the county and our evidence is that those families who are not accessing provision are doing so through choice rather than because of any lack of provision. There will also be a small number of children who will access provision out of county.

Current take up of the entitlement among two year olds is a little lower, at around 80% overall, but this is in line with national average figures and take up has been steadily increasing over the past 12 months. Our success in this area has been recognised both regionally and nationally and performance is regularly monitored as part of the Ofsted children centre inspection programme.

However, to achieve these outcomes staff time is required to identify eligible two year old children, encourage their families to apply for a place and then actually take up their place at a suitable childcare provider. We work closely with our colleagues in Children's Centre Services throughout this process to make the most of the relationship which will already exist with some of those eligible families. Children's centres will also be active in providing any additional support to the children and family recognising that these are the most disadvantaged families within local communities.

Take up of two year old places is less consistent across the county than for three and four year olds ranging from 69% in the North of the county to 87% in the South. We are beginning to identify areas where we are now coming under pressure to commission sufficient places to meet the growing demand and these include in particular Whitchurch, Market Drayton and, to a lesser extent, Broseley. We are working closely with the schools and early years providers in those areas to develop new provision although the lack of any identifiable capital or revenue funding to support this is proving a challenge.

Providers are funded termly using a pupil led formula based on the principles of the school funding formula. The formula seeks to reimburse providers at cost for the places they provide, i.e. to cover cost and not reflect any element of profit. Many providers will generate additional income by offering additional hours and/or additional care, for example for under 2s or for older children in out-of-school hours or holiday clubs.

The local authority receives its funding for the provision of these places as a separately specified element of the overall dedicated schools grant. The total amount received each year is based on the numbers of children accessing provision at the time of the annual early years census which takes place in January.

Rates of per pupil funding received by the local authority have not been increased in the last 4 years. As a result, the rates at which we reimburse providers for the places we commission have not changed. Current rates of reimbursement to providers for the provision of free places vary from £2.90 per hour per child to £3.17 per hour per child in the PVI sector depending on the circumstances of the provider. Our schools are paid £3.56 per hour per child for the provision they offer, recognising the requirement to have a qualified teacher leading provision in schools. 24U places are paid at a rate of £4.96 per hour per child, this being the national rate set by the DfE and acknowledging the higher adult:staff ratios required for two year olds compared to older children.

Information on the availability of childcare places within the county is provided to parents through the Shropshire Family Information Service (FIS). The FIS will also offer help and information to parents who may require additional support in order to access their place.

Information, support and guidance is made available by our service to all childcare providers who secure an Ofsted outcome of inadequate or requiring improvement. Much of this will be chargeable support and will therefore generate an income. However, in a very small number of circumstances support may be offered free of charge in relation to a specific issue or if, without the setting, the LA would not be able to meet requirements for commissioned places in a certain area. Support is also available to those childcare providers with a good or outstanding judgement but this is entirely traded since it is beyond the LA's statutory duty.

3. Risk Assessment and Opportunities Appraisal

Currently the LA is able to commission sufficient places to fulfil its statutory duty.

However, there are a number of factors beginning to impact on the LA's ability to commission sufficient places. These include:

- a) An increasing number of voluntary managed groups who are unable to recruit and retain sufficient committee members to allow them to continue to meet their legal duties.

Shropshire has seen the closure of around ten committee-run Early Years settings across the county over the past two years. In most cases LA officers have managed to support the creation of alternative provision in order to ensure that we can continue to fulfil our statutory duty. In many cases this new provision has been set up and run by the local primary school using its extend schools powers. This trend is continuing and LA officer time is required to provide support and advice so that early years provision is retained within local communities across the county. At the moment we are working closely with another five groups all of whom are likely to be adopted by their local primary school over the next few months.

- b) The DfE decided to make Ofsted the sole judge of the quality of EY provision, and the LA is no longer able to apply its own quality criteria. The LA is therefore dependant on the outcome of Ofsted inspections to determine whether it can continue to commission provision with individual providers.

In some communities there is only one childcare provider which is accessible to parents. This is often, but not solely, the case in rural areas. In the event of that

provider being judged inadequate by Ofsted the LA is immediately required to withdraw its funding for the provision of free places at that provider. For some families this can leave them with no alternative provision to access. The LA's response is to provide intense levels of support and challenge in order to ensure that the provider's outcome is improved when Ofsted re-inspect that provision in order to ensure that they achieve a judgement of Good. The LA also offers information and support to parents during this time to enable them, wherever possible, to access alternative provision.

In all cases where support has been provided we have seen the setting achieve an improved outcome when re-inspected. However, by its nature, it is impossible to predict where and when support will be required and how many families may be affected in the event of a setting failing an inspection.

- c) There is an on-going need to provide sustainability funding to a small number of rural settings who are unable to generate sufficient income from the pupil-led formula to cover their costs

There remains a small number of settings, both local authority maintained nursery classes and private and voluntary groups, for whom the LA provides on-going sustainability support in order to continue to be able to commission sufficient places. Whilst both the number of settings the LA is supporting, and the amount of funding we are providing, is reducing we do not envisage a point where all providers will be able to sustain provision based solely on their pupil led funding. It is therefore necessary to allocate an element of the overall early years funding each year to support these settings which reduces the amount available to all settings through the pupil led funding formula.

- d) Schools are no longer required to register separately with Ofsted for the provision of care and education to younger children. Schools are now able to provide childcare for children aged two and over without notifying Ofsted and without the need for separate Ofsted regulation and inspection.

This will make it much easier for schools to deliver early education and childcare places in the future, either from their own school site or from another location. We have already seen a number of schools taking over the delivery of provision on their own sites from previous voluntary managed groups and we would expect this trend to continue. In these cases we currently provide a wide range of support to the schools around financial planning, HR and organisation and delivery. Much of this work is traded and generates income for the authority whilst also reducing the likely levels of future interventions as the sustainability and quality of the provision is more secure under a school run model. Some schools, without existing childcare provision on site, are also now looking to establish their own early years provision. This may, in the long term, have a detrimental effect on other local provision as it will increase competition.

4. Financial Implications

In the recent Queen's speech the Government announced its intention to increase the early years free entitlement to 30 hours each week from September 2017. Whilst the LA awaits the detail on this announcement it is likely that the need to potentially double the existing free entitlement will lead to capacity issues in some areas of the county. It is unlikely that the LA will be able to fulfil its statutory duty to ensure the availability of

sufficient places without supporting the creation of new places in some areas. Officers have begun work to identify more clearly the areas of the county where the LA may have difficulty meeting its duties when the increased entitlement begins. We have already highlighted Whitchurch, Market Drayton and Broseley as being areas of concern for the sufficiency of provision and others may include Bridgnorth, Highley and the very rural areas where large amounts of sustainability support may be required to allow small rural settings to be open for 30 hours each week, for example Clunbury, Ditton Priors and Kinnerley. Members of the early years team are working with colleagues in the school premises and place planning teams to highlight where there may be surplus accommodation on school sites which could be used for early years provision.

Overall levels of spend on sustainability funding to ensure the fulfilment of our statutory duty has fallen year-on-year for the past three years and we continue to operate a rigorous process of challenge and support when requests for funding are received. However we anticipate an on-going requirement to provide funding in certain areas of the county which could be increased if and when the requirement to provide 30 hours is introduced. i.e. we may need to support childcare providers currently open for 15 hours per week to open for longer hours in order to provide the required places for parents.

Our commissioned providers are also concerned about their ability to sustain existing provision given the current rates of revenue funding from the LA. These concerns are likely to increase if the number of free hours which they are commissioned to deliver increases to 30 hours each week. This issue is recognised nationally and the government has pledged to review overall levels of revenue funding for the provision of early years places. Again we await details of the revenue funding allocations from central government to support this new initiative.

6. Additional Information

The local authority will be updating its overall childcare sufficiency planning in the summer and autumn of 2015 ready for the publication of a new report to members in 2016.

7. Conclusions

The LA continues to fulfil its duties in relation to early years provision although there are a number of pressures which could impact on our ability to do so into the future. We have allocated quite a significant resource to the promotion and advertising of the 24U entitlement programme which has brought good outcomes.

There is also a need to be mindful of the potential increase in the free entitlement hours and the pressure this will put on the provision of places in certain areas of the county.

List of Background Papers (This MUST be completed for all reports, but does not include items containing exempt or confidential information)

N/A

Cabinet Member (Portfolio Holder)

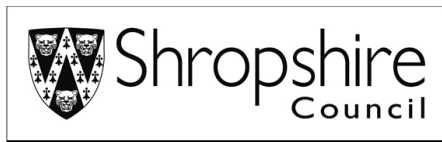
Ann Hartley

Local Member

N/A

Appendices

N/A



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Compliments and Complaints

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1. Summary

This report summarises the complaints data in relation to the service areas covering Children's Social Care, Education and Skills for the year of 2014/15. This report should be used in conjunction with the complaints dashboard (appendix A)

2. Recommendations

To review this report and identify topics for further investigation.

REPORT

3. Risk Assessment and Opportunities Appraisal

3.1 Complaints could have implications for children who are supported by Council services. In turn, there may be significant financial, legal and reputational risk to the Council if the Council is at fault when delivering services.

Effective monitoring of complaints, learning and taking preventative actions provides the opportunity to manage risks and ensure that Children and Young People in Shropshire remain safe.

4. Financial Implications

4.1 This report does not have any direct financial implications, but presents service information to support decision making. Accountable officers, senior managers and key decision makers may use the information to inform actions or interventions for improving service performance and the prioritisation and use of resources.

5. Background

5.1 The Corporate Complaints team switched to the Customer Services Database, Darwin, in Oct 2013. The system has a limited reporting capability with a range of pre-built reports. These are not ideal for analysis purposes. In an attempt to improve reporting capabilities an Access Database has been developed (Mar 2015) which enables data to be extracted for manipulation.

A series of reports are currently being developed from this data. This work has highlighted a number of improvements that are required to improve; data capture, classification of records, system limitations and improve reporting capabilities.

6. Additional Information

6.1 Dashboard

Chart 1: The number of recorded cases for complaints for the year was 109. The majority of complaints, 98, are in relation to Children's Social Care and Safeguarding.

A single case may contain a number of elements which may be complaints about different aspects of the service or teams. These will be recorded as one case with a number of comments, complaints or compliments. This may result in a variance with the number of complaint reasons being more than the number of cases.

Chart 2. In addition to receiving complaints the service also receives other correspondence. Children's, Education and Skills also received 18 compliments and 9 MP enquiries on behalf of their constituents.

Chart 3. The nature of complaints is captured from a drop-down menu of pre-determined complaint categories. The nature of complaints can be varied and contains multiple factors. The volume of the nature of complaints exceeds the total number of complaints (cases) received; this reflects the multiple aspects of complaints.

Complaints are categorised from the comments received and are based on the customers perception. The main complaint theme is around the area of communications. 28% of complaints have an element of communication concerns. Whilst in some cases this is the primary concern in others there is a

combination of factors which have collectively have caused the customer to complain.

Within communication the main difficulty is with customers trying to contact staff. Several comments refer to leaving messages which go unanswered, or having to call several times. Other issues relate to a lack of understanding or miscommunication of information.

Chart 4. The time taken from receipt of a complaint to closure at stage 1 takes an average of 21 working days which is in line with service targets.

The range of days taken is from 1 day to 174 days

Of the 13 cases taking longer than 40 days the main reasons for the timescales are due to; complexity of cases, involvement with third parties and customers seeking additional information or clarification.

Chart 5 Outcomes of complaints at closure of stage one show that 55% were determined to be not upheld. Not upheld means that the service is not at fault for all elements of the complaint.

23% of complaints were partly upheld. Partly upheld means that the service is found at fault for some elements of the complaint, but not all elements.

20% of complaints were upheld. Fully upheld means that the service is found at fault for all elements of the complaint.

The proportion of complaint outcomes varies across the Council and is dependent on the nature of service provision. For comparative purposes the proportion of outcomes for the Council are shown below.

	All Council Services	Children's Education and Skills
Not Upheld	39%	56%
Partly Upheld	22%	25%
Upheld	33%	17%
Other	6%	2%

Chart 6 Examination of complaint outcomes by service team show varying percentages of complaints which are partly or fully upheld. Service areas should assess this variation and identify if there are particular causes for this preventative actions can be developed.

Chart 7 The learning point data is shows that the key learning points are associated with communication and information. This corresponds with the analysis which shows communication is a key cause of complaints being made.

Chart 8 Improvement actions are recorded to show what actions will be taken to resolve the complaint and prevent future occurrences. Actions taken following complaint decisions show that employee training and guidance is the main action to be taken.

The collection of learning point and actions data is currently being reviewed to further develop the capture of data and to improve reporting capabilities. This should improve the ability to check if proposed improvement actions have been implemented and the impact this makes on future complaints.

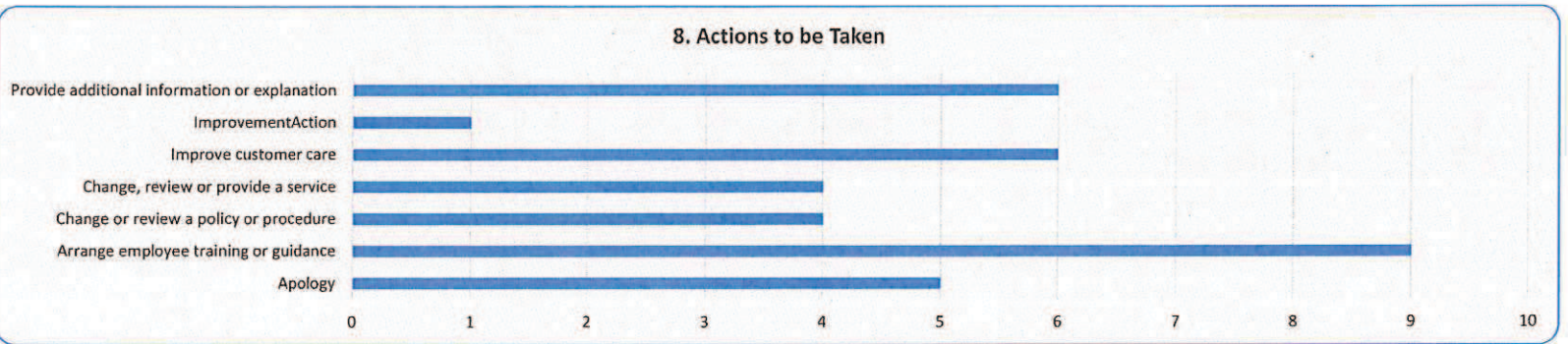
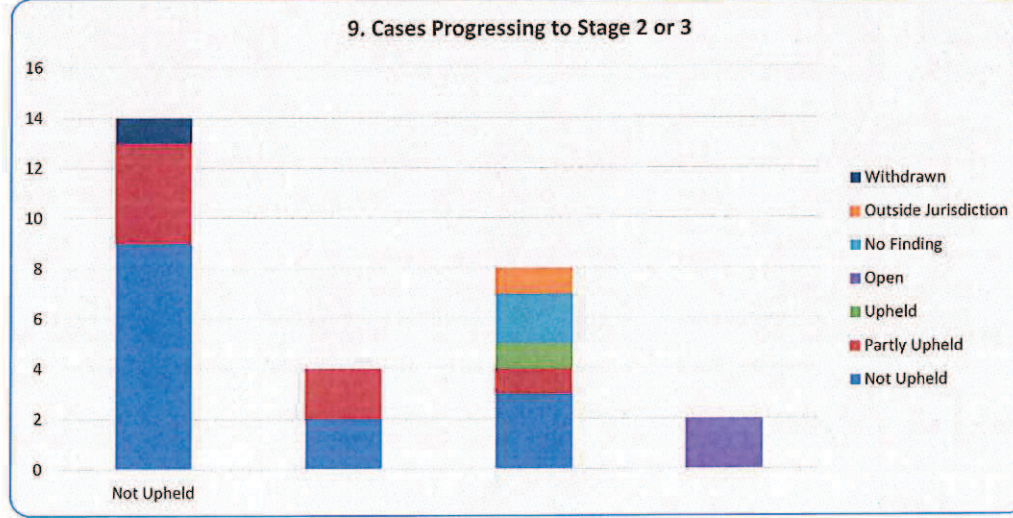
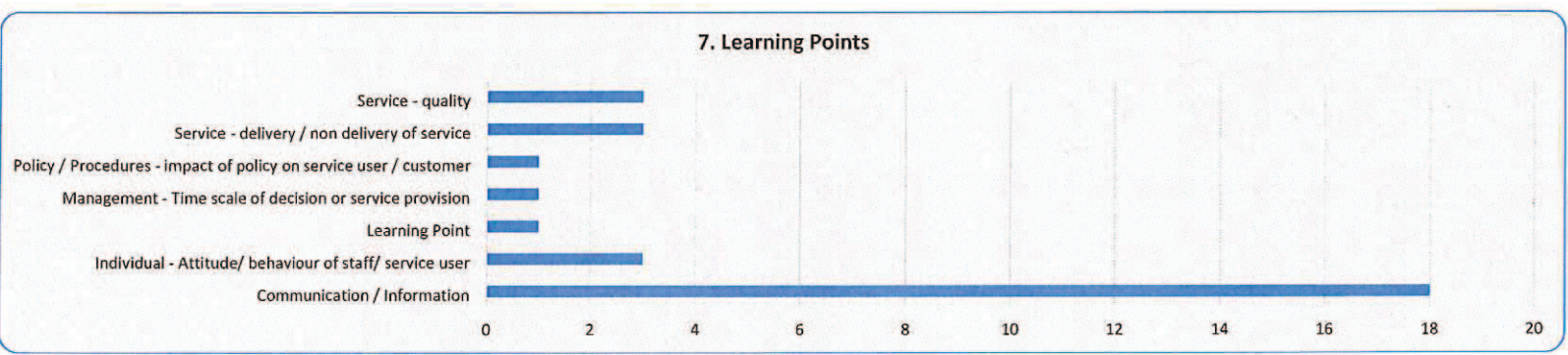
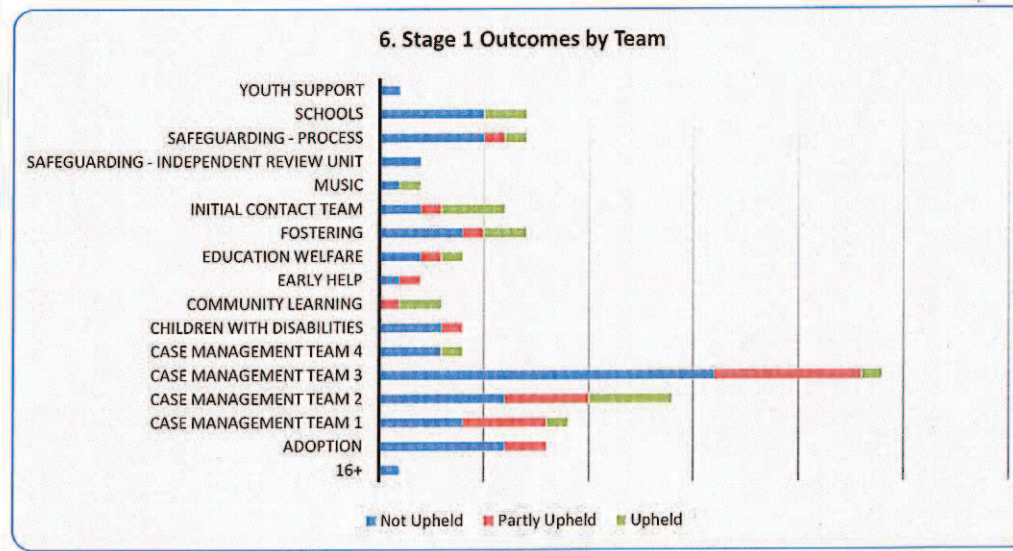
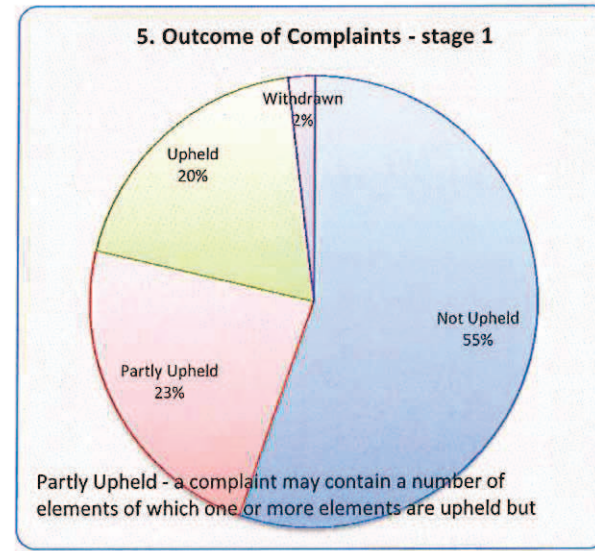
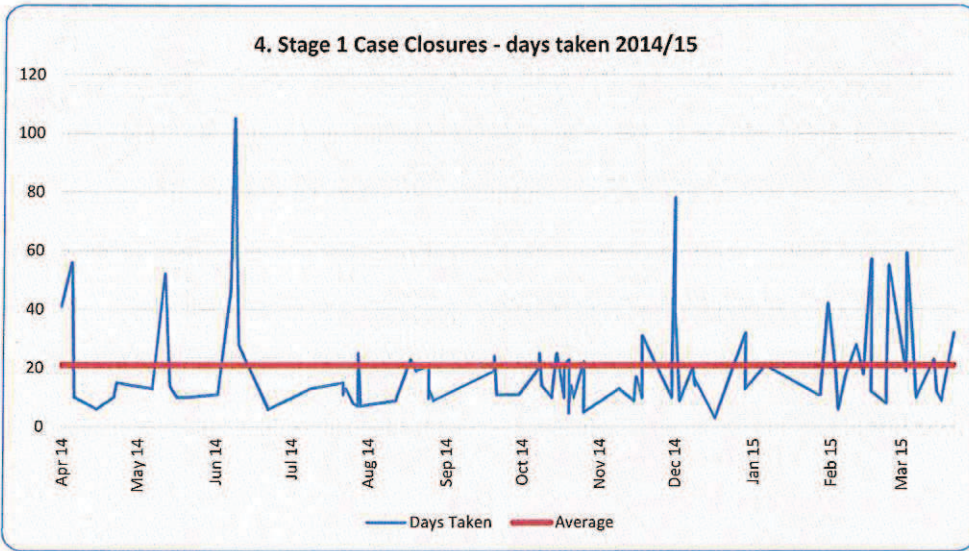
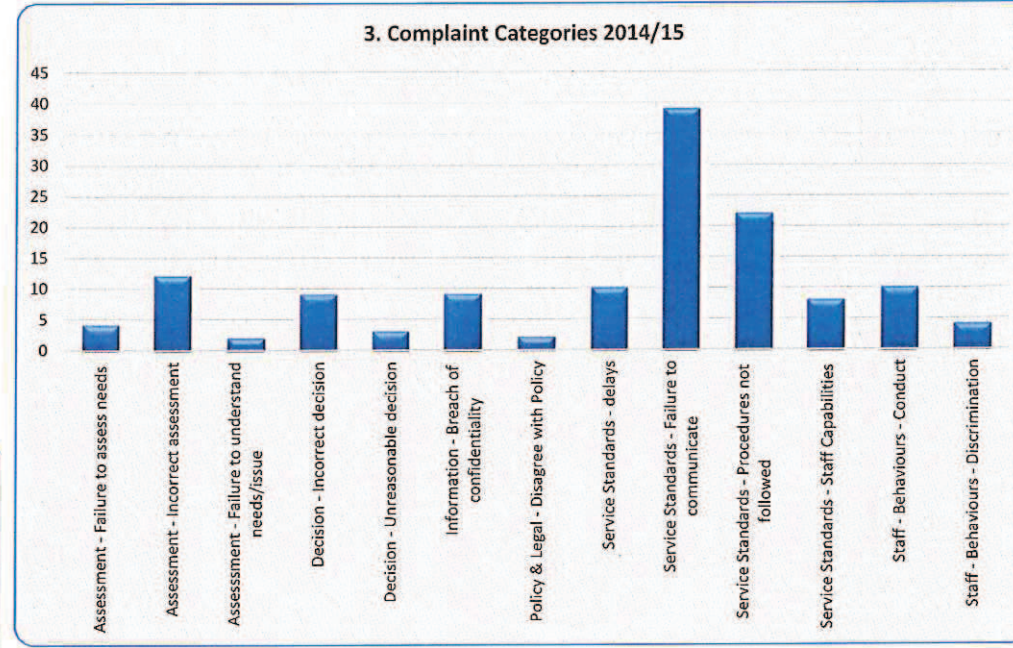
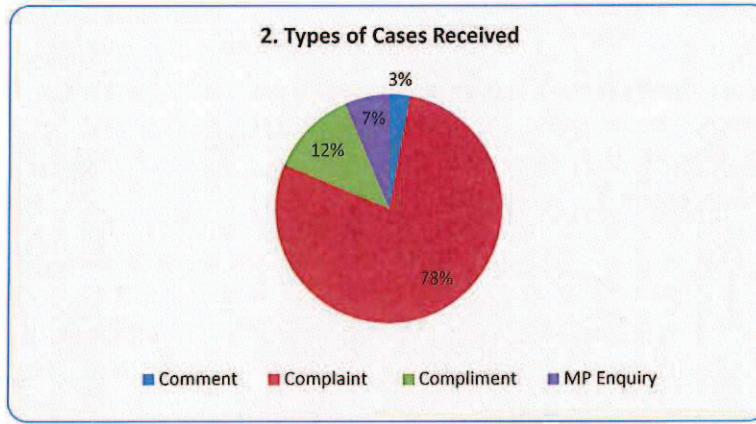
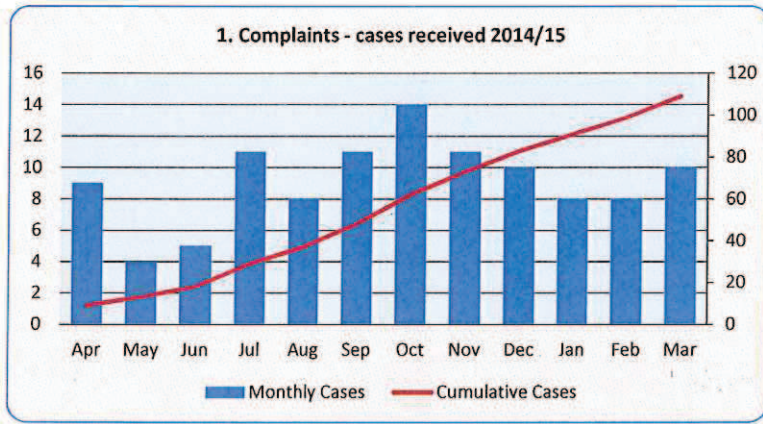
Chart 9 During the year, fourteen cases have progressed beyond stage one of the complaints process. Of these cases, two are currently open. Results of escalated cases show that the quality of decisions at stage one is high. One case has resulted in the decision being changed from partly upheld to upheld.

7. Conclusion

The change of system has limited the ability to produce longer term trend analysis. As more data is recorded it will become easier to compare performance over a period of time.

The main element of complaints relates to communication issues. This is an area provides an opportunity to deliver service improvement and reduce complaint numbers.

List of Background Papers (This MUST be completed for all reports, but does not include items containing exempt or confidential information)
Cabinet Member (Portfolio Holder) Ann Hartley
Local Member All Members
Appendices Appendix A – Complaints Dashboard



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Agenda Item 10

YOUNG PEOPLE'S SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

WORK PROGRAMME 2015-16

DATE	TOPIC	PURPOSE
Wednesday 15 July 2015 10.00am	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Data/quality assurance report • School Sustainability • Compliments and Complaints • Early years provision/ The financial implications of the new government edict for free pre-school education • Peer Review 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Exception reporting on key issues
Wednesday 16 September 2015 10.00am	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Data/quality assurance report • Youth Offending Service Youth justice plan • Transfer of Commissioning for 0 – 5 • Childhood Obesity Task & Finish Group Report? • SEND/Autism • Peer Review 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Exception reporting on key issues

Wednesday 4 November 2015 10.00am	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Data/quality assurance report • The impact of forthcoming budget reductions on safeguarding services • The oversight of vulnerable groups, including those who are educated at home, or are missing from education • Safeguarding arrangements in independent schools • Progress in implementing PSHE which addresses issues of sexual exploitation • Peer review 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Exception reporting on key issues

Wednesday 16 December 2015 10.00am	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Data/quality assurance report • The rate of referrals and re-referrals to children's social care and the rate of children with a second or subsequent Child Protection Plan • The contribution of schools to the Early Help and Child Protection Services and the impact of the early help strategy • Post 16 Provision & funding in schools with 6th Form provision and colleges • Peer Review 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Exception reporting on key issues
Wednesday 3 February 2016 10.00am	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Data/quality assurance report 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Exception reporting on key issues
Wednesday 23 March 2016 10.00am	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Data/quality assurance report 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Exception reporting on key issues

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THE CABINET FORWARD PLAN

This Notice, known as the Cabinet Forward Plan, sets out the Decisions, including Key Decisions, which are likely to be taken during the period covered by the Plan by either Cabinet as a whole or by individual members of the Executive. The Plan is updated each month and regularly amended and at least 28 clear days before a key decision is to be taken and is available from Council Offices, libraries and on the Council's Internet site (www.shropshire.gov.uk). This edition supersedes all previous editions.

Further Information

Cabinet is comprised of the following members: Mr K Barrow (Leader); Mrs A Hartley (Deputy Leader); Mr T Barker; Mrs K Calder; Mr L Chapman; Mr S Charmley; Mr S Jones; Mr M Owen; Mr M Price; and Mrs C Wild. To view more details, please click on the following link: <http://shropshire.gov.uk/committee-services/mgCommitteeDetails.aspx?ID=130>

A Key Decision is one which is likely to result in income, expenditure or savings of £500,000 or greater, or to have a significant effect, on, two or more Electoral Divisions. In two member divisions i.e. Oswestry and Market Drayton, these are to be treated for the purpose of a key decision as two divisions.

Members of the public are welcome to attend full Cabinet meetings and ask a question and/or make a statement in accordance with the Council's Procedure Rules. If you would like further details please email penny.chamberlain@shropshire.gov.uk or telephone 01743 252729.

Members of the public are also welcome to submit a request to address or to ask a question of the Member making the Portfolio Holder decision. Any request should be submitted in writing to the Chief Executive at the address below by no later than 2 clear working days before the proposed Member Session. This is to ensure that the individual member has sufficient time to decide whether or not to hear such persons and if so the arrangements to be made. If you would like further details please telephone 01743 252729 or email penny.chamberlain@shropshire.gov.uk.

All Executive including individual member decisions (except in extreme urgency) are subject to call-in and Scrutiny.

Documents submitted for decision will be a formal report, which if public, will be available on this website at least 5 clear working days before the date the decision can be made. If you would like to request such a document, please email penny.chamberlain@shropshire.gov.uk or telephone 01743 252729.

Documents shown are listed at Shropshire Council, The Shirehall, Abbey Foregate, Shrewsbury, SY2 6ND.

CABINET FORWARD PLAN FOR 3 JULY 2015 ONWARDS

DECISION MAKER - Cabinet - 29 July 2015

Date of Meeting	Purpose and Report title	Key Decision	Portfolio Holder	Report Exempt / confidential	Contact for further information re documents / report to be submitted to decision maker	Date Uploaded onto Plan
Wednesday, 29 July 2015	Report of the Empty Homes Strategy Task and Finish Group	Yes	Portfolio Holder for Regulatory Services, Housing and Commissioning (Central)		Karen Collier, Service Manager - Environmental Health Tel: 01743 251711 karen.collier@shropshire.gov.uk	Wednesday, 10 June 2015
Wednesday, 29 July 2015	Report 1 - Financial Strategy 2015/2016 to 2025/2026	Yes	Portfolio Holder for Resources, Finance and Support		Clare Charlesworth Jones, Manager Financial Advice - Forward Plan Tel: 01743 255937 clare.charlesworth-jones@shropshire.gov.uk	Friday, 27 March 2015
Wednesday, 29 July 2015	Revenue Monitor 2015/2016 Quarter 1	Yes	Portfolio Holder for Resources, Finance and Support		Cheryl Williams, Head of Financial Management and Reporting Tel: 01743 258937 cheryl.williams@shropshire.gov.uk	Friday, 27 March 2015
Wednesday, 29 July 2015	Capital Monitor 2015/2016 Quarter 1	Yes	Portfolio Holder for Resources, Finance and Support		Cheryl Williams, Head of Financial Management and Reporting Tel: 01743 258937 cheryl.williams@shropshire.gov.uk	Friday, 27 March 2015

Wednesday, 29 July 2015	Treasury Management Update - Quarter 1 2015/2016	Yes	Portfolio Holder for Resources, Finance and Support		Justin Bridges, Head of Treasury and Pensions Tel: 01743 252072 justin.bridges@shropshire.gov.uk	Friday, 27 March 2015
Wednesday, 29 July 2015	Annual Treasury Report 2014/2015	Yes	Portfolio Holder for Resources, Finance and Support		Justin Bridges, Head of Treasury and Pensions Tel: 01743 252072 justin.bridges@shropshire.gov.uk	Friday, 27 March 2015
Wednesday, 29 July 2015	Draft Discretionary Housing Payments Scheme	Yes	Portfolio Holder for Regulatory Services, Housing and Commissioning (Central)		Chris Westwood, Contact Transfer Manager Tel: 07990085259 chris.westwood@shropshire.gov.uk	Tuesday, 2 June 2015
Wednesday, 29 July 2015	Draft Local Support and Prevention Fund Policy	Yes	Portfolio Holder for Regulatory Services, Housing and Commissioning (Central)		Chris Westwood, Contact Transfer Manager Tel: 07990085259 chris.westwood@shropshire.gov.uk	Tuesday, 2 June 2015
Wednesday, 29 July 2015	Place Plan Priorities and Community Infrastructure Levy 123 List Update	Yes	Portfolio Holder for Regulatory Services, Housing and Commissioning (Central)		Andrew M Evans, Head of Business Growth and Prosperity Tel: 01743 253869 andy.evans@shropshire.gov.uk	Tuesday, 9 June 2015
Wednesday, 29 July 2015	Regulation of Investigatory Powers Policy	Yes	Deputy Leader and Portfolio Holder for Business, ip&e, Culture and Commissioning (North)		Frances Darling Tel: 01743 251715 frances.darling@shropshire.gov.uk	Friday, 19 June 2015

Wednesday, 29 July 2015	Formal transfer of responsibility for the delivery of youth activities and the related budget from Shropshire Council to Shrewsbury Town Council	Yes	Deputy Leader and Portfolio Holder for Business, ip&e, Culture and Commissioning (North)	Exempt	Neil Willcox, Local Commissioning Manager Tel: 01743 255051 neil.willcox@shropshire.gov.uk	Monday, 1 June 2015
Wednesday, 29 July 2015	Greenacres Day Opportunities - Award of Contract	Yes	Portfolio Holder for Adult Services and Commissioning (South)	Exempt	Ruth Houghton, Head of Social Care Improvement and Efficiency Tel: 01743 254203 ruth.houghton@shropshire.gov.uk	Tuesday, 13 January 2015
Wednesday, 29 July 2015	Commissioning Out Social Work Practice	Yes	Portfolio Holder for Adult Services and Commissioning (South)	Exempt	Andy Begley, Head of Adult Social Care Operations andy.begley@shropshire.gov.uk	Monday, 11 May 2015
DECISION MAKER - Cabinet - 14 October 2015						
Date of Meeting	Purpose and Report title	Key Decision	Portfolio Holder	Report Exempt / confidential	Contact for further information re documents / report to be submitted to decision maker	Date Uploaded onto Plan
Wednesday, 14 October 2015	Report 2 - Financial Strategy 2015/2016 - 2025/2026	Yes	Portfolio Holder for Resources, Finance and Support		Clare Charlesworth Jones, Manager Financial Advice - Forward Plan Tel: 01743 255937 clare.charlesworth-jones@shropshire.gov.uk	Friday, 27 March 2015

Wednesday, 14 October 2015	Revenue Monitor 2015/2016 Quarter 2	Yes	Portfolio Holder for Resources, Finance and Support		Cheryl Williams, Head of Financial Management and Reporting Tel: 01743 258937 cheryl.williams@shropshire.gov.uk	Friday, 27 March 2015
Wednesday, 14 October 2015	Capital Monitor 2015/2016 Quarter 2	Yes	Portfolio Holder for Resources, Finance and Support		Cheryl Williams, Head of Financial Management and Reporting Tel: 01743 258937 cheryl.williams@shropshire.gov.uk	Friday, 27 March 2015
Wednesday, 14 October 2015	Quarter 1 Performance Report 2015/2016	Yes	Tim Barker, Portfolio Holder		Tom Dodds, Performance Manager Tel: 01743 252011 tom.dodds@shropshire.gov.uk	Thursday, 26 February 2015
Wednesday, 14 October 2015	Asset Management Strategy for Highways and Transport	Yes	Portfolio Holder for Highways and Transport		Chris Edwards, Area Commissioner South chris.edwards@shropshire.gov.uk	Tuesday, 7 July 2015
Wednesday, 14 October 2015	Commissioning Out Social Work Practice	Yes	Portfolio Holder for Adult Services and Commissioning (South)	Exempt	Andy Begley, Head of Adult Social Care Operations andy.begley@shropshire.gov.uk	Monday, 11 May 2015
DECISION MAKER - Cabinet - 9th December 2015						
Date of Meeting	Purpose and Report title	Key Decision	Portfolio Holder	Report Exempt / confidential	Contact for further information re documents / report to be submitted to decision maker	Date Uploaded onto Plan

Wednesday, 9 December 2015	Treasury Management Update - Quarter 2 2015/2016	Yes	Portfolio Holder for Resources, Finance and Support		Justin Bridges, Head of Treasury and Pensions Tel: 01743 252072 justin.bridges@shropshire.gov.uk	Friday, 27 March 2015
Wednesday, 9 December 2015	Treasury Strategy 2015/2016 - Mid Year Review	Yes	Portfolio Holder for Resources, Finance and Support		Justin Bridges, Head of Treasury and Pensions Tel: 01743 252072 justin.bridges@shropshire.gov.uk	Friday, 27 March 2015
Wednesday, 9 December 2015	Report 3 - Financial Strategy 2015/2016 - 2025/2026	Yes	Portfolio Holder for Resources, Finance and Support		Clare Charlesworth Jones, Manager Financial Advice - Forward Plan Tel: 01743 255937 clare.charlesworth-jones@shropshire.gov.uk	Friday, 27 March 2015
Wednesday, 9 December 2015	Capital Strategy 2015/2016 - 2019/2020 Draft	Yes	Portfolio Holder for Resources, Finance and Support		Cheryl Williams, Head of Financial Management and Reporting Tel: 01743 258937 cheryl.williams@shropshire.gov.uk	Friday, 27 March 2015
Wednesday, 9 December 2015	Setting the Council Tax Taxbase for 2016/2017	Yes	Portfolio Holder for Resources, Finance and Support		Clare Charlesworth Jones, Manager Financial Advice - Forward Plan Tel: 01743 255937 clare.charlesworth-jones@shropshire.gov.uk	Friday, 27 March 2015
Wednesday, 9 December 2015	Quarter 2 2015/2016 Performance Report	Yes	Tim Barker, Portfolio Holder		Tom Dodds, Performance Manager Tel: 01743 252011 tom.dodds@shropshire.gov.uk	Thursday, 26 February 2015

Wednesday, 9 December 2015	Improved Swimming Facilities for Shrewsbury	Yes	Portfolio Holder for Business Growth, ipe, Culture and Commissioning (North)		George Candler, Director of Commissioning Tel: 01743 255003 george.candler@shropshire.gov.uk	Thursday, 31 July 2014
Wednesday, 9 December 2015	Delegation of functions to Birmingham City Council for the purposes of Illegal Money Lending Enforcement	Yes	Portfolio Holder for Regulatory Services, Housing and Commissioning (Central)		Frances Darling Tel: 01743 251715 frances.darling@shropshire.gov.uk	Monday, 29 June 2015
DECISION MAKER - Cabinet - 10th February 2016						
Date of Meeting	Purpose and Report title	Key Decision	Portfolio Holder	Report Exempt / confidential	Contact for further information re documents / report to be submitted to decision maker	Date Uploaded onto Plan
Wednesday, 10 February 2016	Revenue Monitor 2015/2016 - Quarter 3	Yes	Portfolio Holder for Resources, Finance and Support		James Walton, Head of Finance, Governance and Assurance (Section 151 Officer) Tel: 01743 255001 james.walton@shropshire.gov.uk	Thursday, 23 April 2015
Wednesday, 10 February 2016	Capital Monitoring 2015/2016 - Quarter 3	Yes	Portfolio Holder for Resources, Finance and Support		James Walton, Head of Finance, Governance and Assurance (Section 151 Officer) Tel: 01743 255001 james.walton@shropshire.gov.uk	Thursday, 23 April 2015

Wednesday, 10 February 2016	Financial Strategy 2015/2016 - 2025/2026 - Final	Yes	Portfolio Holder for Resources, Finance and Support		James Walton, Head of Finance, Governance and Assurance (Section 151 Officer) Tel: 01743 255001 james.walton@shropshire.gov.uk	Thursday, 23 April 2015
Wednesday, 10 February 2016	Capital Strategy 2015/2016 - 2019/2020 - Final	Yes	Portfolio Holder for Resources, Finance and Support		James Walton, Head of Finance, Governance and Assurance (Section 151 Officer) Tel: 01743 255001 james.walton@shropshire.gov.uk	Thursday, 23 April 2015
Wednesday, 10 February 2016	Robustness of Estimates and Adequacy of Reserves	Yes	Portfolio Holder for Resources, Finance and Support		James Walton, Head of Finance, Governance and Assurance (Section 151 Officer) Tel: 01743 255001 james.walton@shropshire.gov.uk	Thursday, 23 April 2015
Wednesday, 10 February 2016	Estimated Collection Fund Out-turn 2015/2016	Yes	Portfolio Holder for Resources, Finance and Support		James Walton, Head of Finance, Governance and Assurance (Section 151 Officer) Tel: 01743 255001 james.walton@shropshire.gov.uk	Thursday, 23 April 2015
Wednesday, 10 February 2016	Fees and Charges 2016/2017	Yes	Portfolio Holder for Resources, Finance and Support		James Walton, Head of Finance, Governance and Assurance (Section 151 Officer) Tel: 01743 255001 james.walton@shropshire.gov.uk	Thursday, 23 April 2015

Wednesday, 10 February 2016	Treasury Strategy 2016/2017	Yes	Portfolio Holder for Resources, Finance and Support		James Walton, Head of Finance, Governance and Assurance (Section 151 Officer) Tel: 01743 255001 james.walton@shropshire.gov.uk	Thursday, 23 April 2015
Wednesday, 10 February 2016	Treasury Management Update - Quarter 3 2015/2016	Yes	Portfolio Holder for Resources, Finance and Support		James Walton, Head of Finance, Governance and Assurance (Section 151 Officer) Tel: 01743 255001 james.walton@shropshire.gov.uk	Thursday, 23 April 2015
Wednesday, 10 February 2016	Quarter 3 2015/2016 Performance Report	Yes	Tim Barker, Portfolio Holder		Tom Dodds, Performance Manager Tel: 01743 252011 tom.dodds@shropshire.gov.uk	Thursday, 26 February 2015
DECISION MAKER - Deputy Leader & Portfolio Holder for Business Growth, ip&e, Culture and Commissioning (North) - No items known to date						
Date of Meeting	Purpose and Report title	Key Decision	Portfolio Holder	Report Exempt / confidential	Contact for further information re documents / report to be submitted to decision maker	Date Uploaded onto Plan
DECISION MAKER - Portfolio Holder for Adult Services and Commissioning (South) - Lee Chapman - no items known to date						
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DECISION MAKER - Portfolio Holder for Children's Services - Ann Hartley

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Not before Tuesday, 7th July, 2015	Transport Policy for Children's Services <i>(Item previously included in the Forward Plan under the remit of Cabinet.)</i>	Yes	Portfolio Holder for Children's Services		Karen Bradshaw, Director of Children's Services Tel: 01743 254201 Karen.Bradshaw@shropshire.gov.uk	Friday, 9 January 2015
Monday, 13 July 2015	Decision to consult on school closure	Yes	Portfolio Holder for Children's Services		Karen Bradshaw, Director of Children's Services Tel: 01743 254201 Karen.Bradshaw@shropshire.gov.uk	Wednesday, 3 June 2015
Tuesday, 21 July 2015	Foster Carer Payment for Skills	Yes	Portfolio Holder for Children's Services		Tina Russell, Head of Children's Social Care and Safeguarding Tel: 01743 254254 tina.russell@shropshire.gov.uk	Tuesday, 26 May 2015
Tuesday, 21 July 2015	Finance Permanency Policy	Yes	Portfolio Holder for Children's Services		Tina Russell, Head of Children's Social Care and Safeguarding Tel: 01743 254254 tina.russell@shropshire.gov.uk	Wednesday, 10 June 2015

DECISION MAKER - Portfolio Holder for Health - Karen Calder - no items known to date

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DECISION MAKER - Portfolio Holder for Highways and Transport - Simon Jones and/or Area Commissioner (South)						
Date of Meeting	Purpose and Report title	Key Decision	Portfolio Holder	Report Exempt / confidential	Contact for further information re documents / report to be submitted to decision maker	Date Uploaded onto Plan
Wednesday, 15 July 2015	Prioritisation of schemes for Integrated Transport Block Funding	Yes	Portfolio Holder for Highways and Transport		Chris Edwards, Area Commissioner South chris.edwards@shropshire.gov.uk	Thursday, 11 June 2015
DECISION MAKER - Portfolio Holder for Performance - Tim Barker - no items known to date						
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DECISION MAKER - Portfolio Holder for Regulatory Services, Housing and Commissioning (Central) - Malcolm Price						
Date of Meeting	Purpose and Report title	Key Decision	Portfolio Holder	Report Exempt / confidential	Contact for further information re documents / report to be submitted to decision maker	Date Uploaded onto Plan

Not before Tuesday, 7th July, 2015	Minor Amendments to the Shropshire Affordable Housing Allocations Policy and Scheme	Yes	Portfolio Holder for Regulatory Services, Housing and Commissioning (Central)		Andy Begley, Head of Adult Social Care Operations andy.begley@shropshire.gov.uk	Thursday, 28 August 2014
Not before Friday, 17th July, 2015	Oakland and Glebe Land, Bayston Hill - Planning Brief	Yes	Portfolio Holder for Regulatory Services, Housing and Commissioning (Central)		Steph Jackson, Head of Commercial Services Tel: 01743 253862 steph.jackson@shropshire.gov.uk	Wednesday, 17 June 2015
DECISION MAKER - Portfolio Holder for Resources, Finance and Support - Mike Owen						
Date of Meeting	Purpose and Report title	Key Decision	Portfolio Holder	Report Exempt / confidential	Contact for further information re documents / report to be submitted to decision maker	Date Uploaded onto Plan
Wednesday, 22 July 2015	Disposal of Properties	Yes	Portfolio Holder for Resources, Finance and Support	Exempt	Steph Jackson, Head of Commercial Services Tel: 01743 253862 steph.jackson@shropshire.gov.uk	Wednesday, 17 June 2015
DECISION MAKER - Portfolio Holder for University Centre & Shrewsbury BID - Claire Wild - No items known to date						
Date of Meeting	Purpose and Report title	Key Decision	Portfolio Holder	Report Exempt / confidential	Contact for further information re documents / report to be submitted to decision maker	Date Uploaded onto Plan