

Appendix 1
Overview and Scrutiny work programme 2018 to 2019

People Overview Committee

Topic	Intended outcomes or objectives	What output is required?	Who needs to be heard from?	Expected impact or added value	Work date
Education attainment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Scrutinise education attainment in Shropshire over recent years. • Identify any specific patterns or changes which need to be looked at in detail. 	overview report presentation	Director, Children's Services	Ensure that Shropshire Council is targeting support where needed to improve education attainment.	19 Dec 2018
Shropshire Safeguarding Children Board Annual Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide an overview of the Safeguarding Children Board's work during the previous year. • Scrutinise changes to governance arrangements for the Safeguarding Children Board and Safeguarding Adults Board. 	Shropshire Safeguarding Children Board Annual Report	Independent Chair, Safeguarding Children Board	Contribute to developing governance arrangements for safeguarding in Shropshire.	19 Dec 2018
Looked after children and the care leavers pledge	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To scrutinise the updated pledge to looked after children and care leavers, before it is presented at Council. 	Draft pledge	Director of safeguarding	A pledge that aims to ensure that all children and young people in care and care leavers have equal access to services, support and life opportunities.	19 Dec 2018

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Empty Homes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Understand the extent and impact of empty homes in Shropshire. Scrutinise work to minimise the number of empty homes in Shropshire. 	Presentation and overview report			30 Jan 2019
Early help hubs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Receive an update on development of the early help hubs 	Verbal update	Head of Early Help Partnerships and Commissioning	Ensure progress in developing early help hubs.	30 Jan 2019
Progress and impact of the delivery of the Ofsted Action Plan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Scrutinise progress with the implementation of the Ofsted Action Plan and the benefits realised for children, young people and families in Shropshire. 	overview report	Director, Children's Services	Provide assurance that the council is making good progress in implementing its action plan, delivering the required improvements.	30 Jan 2019
SEND peer review	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Scrutinise the findings and any actions from the recent peer review of services for children and young people with special educational needs. 	Peer review findings and action plan Presentation	Director, Children's Services	Ensure the service's actions plans address the recommendations of the peer review.	30 Jan 2019

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Warmer Homes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Understand Shropshire Council's role in ensuring people living in privately owned or rented homes have warm homes. Explore opportunities for Shropshire Council to take a greater role in this work. 	Background report and presentation	Director, Adult Services	Ensure people living in privately owned or rented homes have warm homes.	27 Mar 2019
Opportunities for Looked After Children and care leavers to achieve their potential	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Scrutiny of the implementation of the Looked After Children Plan and the delivery of improved outcomes. Examine the availability and uptake of apprenticeships and employment, and housing support, and consider the benefits and impact. 	Updated Looked After Children Plan overview report presentation	Director, Children's Services	Assurance that Shropshire Council is delivering better outcomes for looked after children and care leavers.	27 Mar 2019
SEN support in specialist school hubs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Understand how children with special educational needs are supported in education. 			Children with special educational needs have the right educational support for their needs.	May 2019

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School improvement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Scrutinise the impact of changes Shropshire Council's education improvement service. 	<p>overview report</p> <p>presentation</p>	Director, Children's Services	Monitor the impacts of changes to the service and make any recommendations for change.	May 2019
Children's services performance dashboard	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Scrutinise safeguarding and early help performance. Identify any specific patterns or changes which need to be looked at in detail. 	<p>overview report</p> <p>presentation</p>	Director, Children's Services	Ensure that Shropshire Council is targeting support where needed to improve safeguarding.	May 2019

Future topics for consideration include:

- Homepoint
- Empty homes: To understand the extent and impact of empty homes in Shropshire and scrutinise work to minimise the number of empty homes in Shropshire.
- Drug and alcohol services for young people: To scrutinise the provision of drug and alcohol support services for young people.