

**CHILDREN, FAMILIES, LIFELONG LEARNING AND CULTURE SELECT COMMITTEE  
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**Recommendations**

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14 December 2020	Update on the Implementation of the SEND Task Group [Item 5]	<b>CFLLC 1/20:</b> That the Director – Education, Learning and Culture share the re-designed outreach offer, once it is complete, with the Children, Families, Lifelong Learning and Culture Select Committee.	Liz Mills, Director – Education, Learning and Culture	N/A	N/A	We do not commission any outreach services which are specific to a single condition or need such as Downs Syndrome. Our priority in Surrey is to ensure that all children have the opportunity to access their local mainstream provision, within their local community. This might be with a package of support to meet their needs and could be with or without an Education, Health and Care Plan (EHCP). Young People with Downs Syndrome may have a broad range of need (which are not exclusive to their specific condition) and for this reason we would offer support the school to support the child through various

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						services for schools according to what each individual child might need. There might be some hesitation at commissioning an outreach service which effectively excludes all children with additional needs who do not have Downs Syndrome.
18 October 2021	SEND Transformation Update [Item 5]	<b>CFLLC 3/21:</b> The Director – Education and Lifelong Learning share the findings of the SEND Self-Evaluation and any actions to be taken in response to it with the Chairman of the Select Committee for circulation to the Committee once available.	Liz Mills, Director - Education and Lifelong Learning	N/A	N/A	The new Inclusion and Additional Needs Strategy is due to come to the Committee in December 2022.

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4 October 2022	Children's Social Care Workforce Strategy [Item 7]	<b>CFLLC 27/22:</b> That the Service offers its support in arranging for CFLLC Select Committee Members to have informal meetings with social care staff, so that a) the Committee has a better understanding of their roles and b) social care staff have an opportunity to talk frankly about their work and what they require from their managers in order to ease the pressures in the roles they carry out.	Children, Families and Lifelong Learning Services and Democratic Services	21 November 2022	November 2022	The Committee had an informal meeting with social care staff on 24 November 2022.
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7 April 2022	Care Leavers Service Report [Item 5]	<b>CFLLC 7/22:</b> The Assistant Director – South West to provide the targets for the number of care leavers in county and associated timescales.	Siobhan Walsh, Assistant Director – South West	N/A	N/A	On 4 November the Placement Value and Outcomes Transformation Board considered and agreed a proposal for a care leaver sufficiency target of 60% by 31 March 2025. This has been arrived at by projecting forward the current growth trend through to this date, whilst the care leaver population is forecast to continue to grow by 24%, from 787 in October 2022 through to 972 to March 2025. To deliver our proposed 60% ambition by March 2025 would mean enabling more than 140 additional care leavers to be living in Surrey by this point in time, so this is an ambitious level of improvement for care leavers.

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4 October 2022	SEND Strategy [Item 5]	<b>CFLLC 18/22:</b> The Director of Education and Lifelong Learning to share a breakdown of the results of the last academic year of tribunal cases, including ways they were resolved prior to a tribunal and the distinction between partial and non-agreement.	Liz Mills, Director – Education and Lifelong Learning	N/A	N/A	A response has been circulated to the Members.
		<b>CFLLC 19/22:</b> The Director of Education and Lifelong Learning to share a table showing the phases of the programme of additional places with start and end points.	Liz Mills, Director – Education and Lifelong Learning	N/A	N/A	A response has been circulated to the Members.
		<b>CFLLC 20/22:</b> The Director of Education and Lifelong Learning to provide data on what proportion of SEND children are educated locally (within 10 miles from home).	Liz Mills, Director – Education and Lifelong Learning	N/A	N/A	A response has been circulated to the Members.

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		<b>CFLLC 21/22:</b> The Committee asks to receive the final draft Inclusion and Additional Needs Strategy, and the Additional Needs and Disabilities Partnership Board's comments on this, in time for the Committee's December meeting ahead of the strategy going to Cabinet.	Liz Mills, Director – Education and Lifelong Learning	December 2022	November 2022	The draft Strategy is on the agenda at the December meeting.
	Family Centres [Item 6]	<b>CFLLC 22/22:</b> The Director for Commissioning to provide data and explain how the Council keeps track of families in need and their geographical distribution in relation to family centres and early help provision.	Hayley Connor, Director – Commissioning (CFLL)	N/A	N/A	A response has been circulated to the Members.

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		<b>CFLLC 23/22:</b> The Cabinet Member for Children and Families to provide further information regarding the work on the ground of the family support programmes in the next report on Family Centres in March 2023.	Sinead Mooney, Cabinet Member for Children and Families	N/A	N/A	There is a deep dive through Transformation Board in December and the detail will be provided in the report in March 2023.
		<b>CFLLC 24/22:</b> The Cabinet Member for Children and Families to provide a written answer to whether Sure Start closures played a part in the rising demand for EHCPs, with reference to the Bercow Report.	Sinead Mooney, Cabinet Member for Children and Families	N/A	N/A	A response has been circulated to the Members.

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Children's Social Care Workforce Strategy [Item 7]	<b>CFLLC 25/22:</b> The Cabinet Member for Children and Families to provide a written response regarding the support provided to female social workers specifically.	Sinead Mooney, Cabinet Member for Children and Families	N/A	N/A	A response has been circulated to the Members.
	<b>CFLLC 26/22:</b> The Director for Safeguarding and Family Resilience to provide the current average number of caseloads per social worker.	Matt Ansell, Director – Safeguarding and Family	N/A	N/A	A response has been circulated to the Members.
Surrey Homes for Surrey Children [Item 8]	<b>CFLLC 28/22:</b> The Head of Commissioning (Corporate Parenting) to confirm the target number of children's beds and explain how this figure was arrived at with regard to current shortages.	Chris Tisdall, Head of Commissioning - Corporate Parenting	N/A	N/A	In terms of the target number of beds, please could we refer Select Committee Members to paragraphs 10-13 of the Surrey homes for Surrey children report (item 11) that has been published ahead of going to Cabinet on Tuesday 29 November. In response to feedback from the Select Committee we have provided further clarity and explanation of the numbers



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						of children’s homes beds we are seeking to create in the Cabinet paper, which I hope address the questions raised by Members.
		<p><b>CFLLC 29/22:</b> The Head of Commissioning (Corporate Parenting) to confirm a date by which the intention is for 80% of Surrey’s looked after children to be living in Surrey.</p>	<p>Chris Tisdall, Head of Commissioning - Corporate Parenting</p>	<p>2023</p>	<p>2023</p>	<p><b>Response:</b></p> <p>In terms of confirming a target date for the overall 80% sufficiency ambition for children in Surrey, we are not yet in a position to provide this. We are planning on addressing this as part of the upcoming refresh of our overall Looked After Children and Care Leaver Sufficiency Annual Plan 2022-23. The Commissioning Team has started working on this in November and will be aiming to issue an updated version of this by the end of January 2023. In terms of managing the Select Committee’s expectations, we would ask them to note that, as discussed in the Select Committee and latest</p>

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						<p>Cabinet Report, this will be a long-term journey that requires sustained commitment. Achieving the level of change we feel is right for Surrey's children means addressing multiple complex and interrelated problems, with factors outside of our direct control also affecting the timescales for delivery. As such, the target set will look several years into the future. So that Members are enabled to scrutinise this and provide appropriate support and challenge, we will also set out the planning assumptions that mean we think this is the right timescale to work towards.</p>
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