

**Children & Families Committee
Work Programme 2007/08**

Date	Issue	Detail	Witnesses
05 June	Bullying	Looking at Brent's anti bullying policy paying particular attention to the issue of homophobic bullying	
	Exclusions/ Pupil Referral Units	Looking at the number of exclusions in the borough (including by ethnicity) paying attention to educational provision of excluded young people	
11 July	PCT	PCT to come along and discuss their saving proposals for physiotherapy services at Hay Lane School	
	Primary and Secondary School Places	To look at the shortages in school places in the borough and how many children may be without a school place in September	
	Youth Parliament	To look at the priorities of Brent Youth Parliament and how the parliament can maintain links with this committee	Youth Parliament Representatives
	Final Improving Outcomes task group report		
10 October			

	Community access to schools	the lead member for youth parliament has asked this committee to consider how the council should take forward community access to schools proposals	
	Wembley study support centre	Information item	
	School places	A verbal update report on how many children were without a school place at the beginning of the school year.	
	PCT update	Look at PCT Health/ Equality Impact assessments for Hay Lane School.	
	Youth opportunity fund – verbal update		
	Improving outcomes – verbal update		
	Young Peoples Sexual Health issues	To receive an overview of the issues on teenage pregnancy and sexual health in Brent and identify an area for a task group	Susie Daniel, Chief Executive, Brook London
11 December	Languages in schools	report to include, number of languages spoken in our schools/ changes in profile of home languages, if there has there been an increase in numbers presenting themselves to schools without speaking English and the implications of this for schools. Support to pupils for whom English is a second language.	Brent Refugee Forum African Child Foundation Help Somalia Foundation
	School places	Update on number of children in the borough who still do not have a school place and report on plans for further academies & expansion of secondary schools	
	Gaps in youth service	A report highlighting where there are gaps in youth	Youth parliament

	provision	service provision in Brent and how the Department plans to meet the needs in these areas.	
	Annual Complaints report	Complaints received by the children and families department. Members will particularly be looking for any reoccurring themes which require further consideration	
	Monitoring of scrutiny outcomes	Report on how actions from this committee are tracked and taken forward.	
12 February	Youth offending	Report to include geographical analysis of provision in different parts of the borough/best practice from within the Borough and comment on current funding arrangements.	NACRO
	Evaluation of Integrated services	To review the outcomes from the integrated services pilot.	
	Review of school funding formula	Formula: to include basis & implications of revised formula + proposed changes in Early Years funding	
	Local Area Agreement	To look at the progress in meeting the LAA targets within the children and young peoples block of the LAA	Local LAA partner
	14-19 developments including exclusions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ the new specialist diplomas which will be available from next year, ▪ what collaborative arrangements are in place within schools to deliver the diplomas ▪ where will specialised resource centres be based ▪ how will plans for new schools take on board the new diplomas 	

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> for the benefit of members who do not know anything about this work it would also be useful to have a brief overview of the 14/19 agenda. 	
	School Places update		
23 April	Children's Mental Health Services	To receive an overview of the service to ensure that it is meeting the needs of all young people in Brent and particularly focus on detection rates of mental health in young people to ensure that issues are identified early enough to avoid descent into associated problems such as crime and substance misuse.	
	Sports provision and creative arts	Committee to confirm focus for this discussion	
	School Places update		
	Improving Outcomes report		