

SCRUTINY ACTIVITY

1. Family Centres after the implementation of phase three (finishing September 2021).
2. To examine the process of recruitment and retention of foster carers (what is best practice)
3. After implementing the first phase of 31 placements of children's homes bed what is the scope for further development in this area including providing places to be offered to other authorities.
4. Impact if the Alternative Financial Model moved to a bidding model, in improving recycling rates, minimising residual waste and driving innovation.
5. To scrutinise Libraries for Life, including the savings delivered, the quality of services and the relationship between trustees and Hertfordshire County Council 12 months into implementation that
6. Whether actions are being delivered relating to the climate emergency to include actions that have taken place and/or are in the pipeline. **PANEL**
7. Seminar by 27 March to confirm and inform members on the role and responsibilities of the Environmental Agency (EA). If lack of engagement with EA persists, this could be a potential scrutiny. **SEMINAR**
8. Clarification from the legal team on performance agreements (bonds) regarding contractors and the safeguards in place. This will need to be fed back to the panel. **PANEL**
9. How successful enforcement of school travel plans would reduce both congestion and pollution in Hertfordshire and improve road safety.
10. The relationship between Public Health and district and borough councils, with a focus on communication and evaluation of that relationship. (**10 March topic group**)
11. ACS Invest to Transform (ITT) 2021 as previous scrutiny activity was too early.
On the work programme

Information Requests

1. Following a review of 10 other councils, this authority's prevention strategy was deemed to be one of the best. Information on how this outcome was measured.

2. The comparative efficiencies of the home adaptation service delivered by the Hertfordshire Home Improvement Agency (HHIA) compared to that delivered by districts or boroughs through the Disabled Facilities Grant.
3. Number of apprentices in Adult Care Services (ACS) each year and impact of this (budget, costs and savings)
4. Update on Domestic Abuse funding generally and specifically, including funding of the Sunflower project

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