

DECISION-MAKER:	CHILDREN AND FAMILIES SCRUTINY PANEL		
SUBJECT:	CHILDREN AND FAMILIES - PERFORMANCE		
DATE OF DECISION:	3RD SEPTEMBER 2015		
REPORT OF:	HEAD OF LEGAL AND DEMOCRATIC SERVICES		
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STATEMENT OF CONFIDENTIALITY			
None			

BRIEF SUMMARY

At the meeting the Interim Head of Children and Family Services will be providing the Panel with an overview of performance across the division since June 2015.

RECOMMENDATION:

- (i) That the Panel consider and challenge the performance of Children and Family Services in Southampton.

REASON FOR REPORT RECOMMENDATIONS

1. To enable effective scrutiny of children and family services in Southampton.

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED

2. None.

DETAIL (Including consultation carried out)

3. To enable the Panel to undertake their role effectively members will be provided with appropriate performance information on a monthly basis and an explanation of the measures.
4. Performance information for June and July 2015, and explanations of significant variations in performance are attached as Appendices 1-4. In addition a glossary of terms is provided as Appendix 5.
5. The Cabinet Member for Education and Children's Social Care and the Interim Head of Service have been invited to attend the meeting and provide the performance overview.

RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

Capital/Revenue

6. None.

Property/Other

7. None

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

Statutory power to undertake proposals in the report:

8. The duty to undertake overview and scrutiny is set out in Part 1A Section 9 of the Local Government Act 2000.

Other Legal Implications:

9. None

POLICY FRAMEWORK IMPLICATIONS

10. Improving the effectiveness of the political scrutiny of children's safeguarding will help contribute to the following priorities within the Council Strategy:
- Protecting vulnerable people
 - Prevention and early intervention.

KEY DECISION? No

WARDS/COMMUNITIES AFFECTED:	None directly as a result of this report
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SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION

Appendices

1.	Children and Families Scrutiny Panel Dataset – June 2015
2.	Significant Performance Variations – June 2015
3.	Children and Families Scrutiny Panel Dataset – July 2015
4.	Significant Performance Variations – July 2015
5.	Glossary

Documents In Members' Rooms

1.	None
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Equality Impact Assessment

Do the implications/subject of the report require an Equality Impact Assessment (EIA) to be carried out.	No
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Other Background Documents

Equality Impact Assessment and Other Background documents available for inspection at:

Title of Background Paper(s) Relevant Paragraph of the Access to Information Procedure Rules / Schedule 12A allowing document to be Exempt/Confidential (if applicable)

1.	None	
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