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**OVERVIEW OF CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE SCRUTINY COMMITTEE**

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1. Since the last ordinary meeting of Council, the following are the main areas of work that have been undertaken by the Children and Young People Scrutiny Committee:-
  - (a) **Changes to Post 16 Education** - We examined the impact on this authority of the changes to post 16 education and post 16 education providers. As from 1st April, 2010 responsibility for commissioning of learning provision for young people transferred from the disbanded Learning and Skills Council to the local authority. The responsibility for commissioning training for learners aged 19 and over transfers to the new Skills Funding Agency (SFA).
  - (b) **Ofsted Inspections of Children's Homes and Short Break Centre for the Disabled** - Members of this Scrutiny are pleased to note that the Ofsted Inspections carried out since July 2009 on three children's homes have been deemed to be a sound provision and the short break centre for disabled children deemed a strong provision and Ofsted found areas of strength in every setting. The full Ofsted report was presented at the meeting for Members information.
  - (c) **Annual Unannounced Inspection of Contact, Referral and Assessment Arrangements within Children's Services – Outcome of Inspection** – We are pleased to note that following an unannounced inspection by Ofsted of the contact, referral and assessment arrangements within Children's Services which took place during January, 2010, there were no areas for priority action highlighted. The full Ofsted Report was presented at the meeting for Members information.
  - (d) **Work Programme 2009/10** - The Committee considered the Work Programme for the Municipal Year 2009/2010, and examined Cabinet's Forward Plan, in order to identify areas of particular interest or concern or potential areas for Review.

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