

Overview & Scrutiny Recommendation Response Pro forma

Under section 9FE of the Local Government Act 2000, Overview and Scrutiny Committees must require the Cabinet or local authority to respond to a report or recommendations made thereto by an Overview and Scrutiny Committee. Such a response must be provided within two months from the date on which it is requested¹ and, if the report or recommendations in questions were published, the response also must be so.

This template provides a structure which respondents are encouraged to use. However, respondents are welcome to depart from the suggested structure provided the same information is included in a response. The usual way to publish a response is to include it in the agenda of a meeting of the body to which the report or recommendations were addressed.

Issue: Local Area Partnership SEND Update

Lead Cabinet Member(s): Cllr John Howson, Cabinet Member for Children, Education, and Young People's Services; Cllr Kate Gregory, Cabinet Member for SEND Improvement

Date response requested:² 25 March 2025

Response to report:

Response to recommendations:

Recommendation	Accepted, rejected or partially accepted	Proposed action (if different to that recommended) and indicative timescale (unless rejected)
1. That the Council will publish the most recent Key Performance Indicators reported to the SIAB as well as the RAG Rated Priority Action Plan tracker.	Partially accepted	We are revising our priority action plan and the associated KPIs and RAG ratings. A white paper on SEND is due imminently and we may need to reflect that in our approach. Therefore, we will be in a position to publish information in early autumn.

¹ Date of the meeting at which report/recommendations were received

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2. That the Council should set out how the views of the SEND Youth Forum, and its members, will be taken into account and how they will be presented, including any consultation prior to the publication of any reports about the Forum.	Partially Accepted	The views of the Forum are taken into account as part of service developments. Representatives from the Forum attend SiAB and other activities on a regular basis so that they can inform our improvement journey and service development. Young people are also represented on our Preparation for Adulthood work – specifically supported internships. The local Area Partnership reserves the right to use information about the Forum and any reporting about the forum in the line of operational work without direct consultation prior to publication. In practice the forum understands its work will be used in a range of areas and the mechanism follows a well-established process that is used in participation and engagement practice such as in Corporate Parenting and Children in Care Councils.
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