

Improving Lives Select Commission Chair's Briefing for the Overview and Scrutiny Management Board meeting on 6 May 2026

Items covered since the last update meeting:

- Improving Lives will be meeting on 28 April 2026 and the following items will be considered:
 - **Corporate Parenting Partnership Board Update**
To receive a verbal update by the Vice-Chair following the Corporate Parenting Partnership Board meeting held on 24 March 2026.
 - **Corporate Parenting Partnership Board Annual Report 2024-2025**
To consider the progress made by the Corporate Parenting Partnership Board in 2025 and to note the areas of focus for 2026.
 - **Child Exploitation Strategy Update**
To note the progress made against the Child Exploitation Strategy 2024-29.

Work programme 2025-26 updates:

- **Children's Capital of Culture Workshop - Impact and Legacy for Children and Young People**
A workshop took place on Tuesday, 21 April 2026 looking at the Impact and Legacy for Children and Young People following the Children's Capital of Culture. An invitation was also extended to Improving Places Select Commission for any interested Members to attend.

Officers provided Members with results of the interim evaluation, showed a short film and followed with a workshop giving members the chance to share their experiences in facilitated groups focused on:
 - Member engagement - what worked well, what could be better.
 - Ward experience - what took place in their wards, what worked well, what could be better.
 Members welcomed the opportunity to discuss at length the evaluation process for the Children's Capital of Culture and fed back their own experiences which would be incorporated into the results and included in the final evaluation report.
- **Children and Young People's Partnership Board**
A pre-decision scrutiny session is now arranged with the Children and Young People's Partnership Board made up of young people who have reviewed their programme of work and who are developing a strategy to underpin their agreed priorities going forward. This

will take place at the next meeting of the Children and Young People's Partnership Board on 28th April 2026 at 4.00 p.m. at the Town Hall.

Items to be discussed at the next meeting:

The next meeting of the Improving Lives Select Commission will be held on 9 June 2026, and the agenda is to be confirmed.