

Corporate Director's Briefing for Children's PDS, 15 May 2018

Schools Standards Board

We have previously described the proposed development of a Schools Standards Board for Bath and North East Somerset, involving the LA, MATs, Dioceses, Teaching School and Regional Schools Commissioner. The first meeting is now set for 23rd May and we will report back on progress at future panel meetings.

Narrowing the attainment gap

The proposed Scrutiny Inquiry Day to explore the issue of inequalities has been put on hold for the time being. In the course of planning the event and looking at ways to bring good practice to the local system, we have engaged with Daniel Sobel of Inclusion Expert, an organisation with a track record in this field and so we are exploring ways in which we could commission some bespoke support to work with local schools in the near future using established approaches. It was felt that the timing of any Scrutiny Inquiry Day might be more effective if it followed on from this work.

Integrated working between Council and CCG

We are continuing to develop proposals to more closely integrate our working arrangements with the CCG, particularly in order to further enhance the way we commission services for both children and adults across the NHS and local authority spectrum of services. A shadow integrated health and care board will meet for the first time in early June. Further updates will be shared as they become available.

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