



Report To:	CHILDREN'S SCRUTINY PANEL
Date:	18 September 2024
Scrutiny Chair / Reporting Officer:	Councillor Tilbrook Alison Montgomery – Assistant Director Children's
Subject:	CHILDREN'S IMPROVEMENT HIGHLIGHT REPORT
Report Summary:	To provide the highlights of progress, barriers and risks against the priorities and work areas within the Children's Services Improvement Plan, and key actions for the next reporting period.
Recommendations:	To note the highlights of progress against the Children's Improvement Plan, barriers, risks and key actions for the next reporting period.
Links to Corporate Plan:	This highlight report is a key reporting mechanism to track progress against the Children's Improvement plan which underpins our corporate plan priority to provide: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Very best start in life where children are ready to learn and encouraged to thrive and develop • Aspiration and hope through learning and moving with confidence from childhood to adulthood • Resilient families and supportive networks to protect and grow our young people • Supports the aims and objectives of the Corporate Plan, with a particular focus on the Children's Services Improvement Plan.
Policy Implications:	These highlight reports set out the progress, barriers and risks against the Children's Improvement Plan and sets out key actions for the next reporting period. There are no wider policy implications to this update report.
Financial Implications: (Authorised by the Section 151 Officer)	There are no finance implications for this update report. However important to note that the work being delivered is part of the wider Children's Services Improvement Plan where additional resources have already been identified and secured to support the improvement journey.
Legal Implications: (Authorised by the Borough Solicitor)	There are no legal implications for this update report.
Risk Management:	The highlight reports set out the progress, barriers and risks against the Children's Improvement Plan and sets out key actions for the next reporting period. Managing these key projects linked to the Improvement Plan aims to mitigate inadequate rating.
Access to Information:	The background papers relating to this report can be inspected by contacting Emily Drake by:

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