

REPORT TO: Children, Young People and Families Policy and Performance Board

DATE: 22nd February 2016

REPORTING OFFICER: Strategic Director, People and Economy

SUBJECT: Youth Council Priorities

PORTFOLIO: Children, Young People & Families

WARDS: Borough wide

1.0 PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

1.1 For representatives of the Youth Council to provide the Board with a verbal presentation of their current priorities.

2.0 RECOMMENDATION:

2.1 That the Board:-

1. Considers the Youth Council priorities.

3.0 SUPPORTING INFORMATION

3.1 The Youth Cabinet determine their priorities in the following way:

- Any young person can raise issues with Halton Youth Cabinet through social media, telephone or participation meetings/promotion meetings held in the schools across the borough;
- Consultation opportunities through the work done in youth venues across the borough;
- Any youth cabinet member is also entitled to introduce a topic for discussion and debate – this can be of personal interest from feedback they may get from friends, teachers, parents and others;
- National topics are identified from the UK Youth Parliament “ Make Your Mark” survey. Outcomes of the survey allow Cabinet Members to consider their ability to make an impact on the chosen topics before deciding on campaigns (the homophobia campaign and cost of uniforms are example of this); and
- Utilising local data from the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment provides areas and topics to highlight, for example tackling obesity.

4.0 POLICY IMPLICATIONS

N/A

5.0 OTHER IMPLICATIONS

N/A

6.0 IMPLICATIONS FOR THE COUNCILS PRIORITIES

6.1 Children & Young People in Halton

To be considered at the Board meeting.

6.2 Employment, Learning & Skills in Halton

To be considered at the Board meeting.

6.3 A Healthy Halton

Not applicable

6.4 A Safer Halton

Not applicable

6.5 Halton's Urban Renewal

Not applicable

7.0 RISK ANALYSIS

7.1 N/A

8.0 EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY ISSUES

8.1 N/A

9.0 LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS UNDER SECTION 100D OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972

9.1 N/A