

**Education and Children’s Services
Scrutiny Committee
9 June 2016**

**Covering Report:
Making Every Intervention Count (MEIC) Update**

Summary and Objectives

1. The objective of this scrutiny is for the committee to understand, and make any recommendations in relation to, the Making Every Intervention Count (MEIC) transformation programme.

Scrutiny Focus

2. Key focus areas for this scrutiny include the following:
 - i) Update on the successful MEIC transformation programme
 - ii) What the impacts have been; case studies (successes, and also some where there have been learning points) ?
 - iii) Linkage to Police and Health agencies regarding mental health cases
 - iv) What savings have resulted; where are the savings being picked up?
 - v) What metrics / measures are used to gauge performance and compare with statistical neighbours? (eg. case loads, numbers of CAFs from maintained and academy schools, etc.)
 - vi) Staff: measures to address the stressful nature of the work

How this relates to County Council priorities

3. This scrutiny is linked to the County Council’s corporate priorities as indicated below:

The County Council’s Corporate Priorities	Link to this scrutiny
Raising educational attainment and skill levels	
Supporting the LEPs to increase economic growth	
Maintaining roads and developing Suffolk’s infrastructure	
Supporting those most vulnerable in our communities	✓
Empowering local communities	✓

4. Having considered the evidence, the Committee may wish to:
- i) make recommendations to the Cabinet Member for Children's Services, Education and Skills, and/or the Corporate Director for Children and Young People's Services;
 - ii) agree topics which could benefit from more detailed scrutiny at a future meeting, seek to influence partner organisations, or request further information.

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Background

- 5. The Committee previously considered this topic at its meeting on 11 Sep 2014, and then received further briefing information at its meeting on 11 June 2015.
- 6. Certain elements of the MEIC transformation programme will have been touched on under Agenda Item 5, looking at Suffolk Family Focus.

Main Body of Evidence (attached)

- (i) **Evidence Set 1** (12 pages) - A report from Children and Young People's Services addressing the above focus areas.

Supporting Information and References (available online)

- The Committee's previous consideration of this topic
 - o 11 Sep 2014, New Operating Model for Children's Services - Making Every intervention Count (Agenda Item 5):
<http://committeeminutes.suffolkcc.gov.uk/meeting.aspx?d=11/Sep/2014&c=Education%20and%20Childrens%20Services%20Scrutiny%20Committee>
 - o 11 June 2015, Information Bulletin (Agenda Item 8):
[http://committeeminutes.suffolkcc.gov.uk/meeting.aspx?d=11/Jun/2015&c=Education and Childrens Services Scrutiny Committee](http://committeeminutes.suffolkcc.gov.uk/meeting.aspx?d=11/Jun/2015&c=Education%20and%20Childrens%20Services%20Scrutiny%20Committee)
 - MEIC implementation update
 - Outcomes from the Education and Children's Services Scrutiny Committee – six-monthly Update [*Update on the MEIC actions from 11 Sep 2014*]