CABINET REPORT			
COUNCILLOR	PORTFOLIO	DATE	
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Unannounced Inspection of contact, referral and assessment

Ofsted undertook an unannounced no notice inspection at our Contact, Referral and Assessment Services on 19th and 20th October. The outcome of the inspection is contained in a letter from Ofsted which indicates: strengths, the service meets the requirements of statutory guidance, areas for development. The letter will be reported to the Cabinet Member for CSF and Cabinet O&S Committee.

St. Wilfrid's

The statutory consultation process is under way in relation to the proposal to close the school with effect from the 31st August 2011. Meetings have taken place with staff, governors, parents and parents of feeder schools. All meetings were well attended. In addition written comments by post and by use of the Council's website are also being received as part of the consultation. This first part of the statutory consultation concludes on the 10th December 2010. The outcome of the consultation will be presented to the Cabinet Member CSF in January 2011. However any final decision to close the school will not be made until April 2011.

School Inspections

The table below shows all schools inspected by Ofsted since September 2010. The overall grades clearly show most have either maintained or increased on progress made since their last inspection.

School	Overall	
School	Recent	Last
Bishop David Sheppard CE	3	2
Christ Church CE Primary	2	2
Larkfield Primary	2	2
Linacre Primary	3	2
Linaker Primary	2	2
Northway Primary	2	2
Christ the King Catholic High	2	2
Greenbank High	1	3
Crossens Nursery	1	1
1 – Outstanding 2 – Good 3 – Satisfactory 4 - Inadequate		

Unicef Children's Rights Awards

Schools across Sefton participated in a range of curriculum and celebration activities marking this annual international occasion. A celebration involving representatives from all the schools took place at the South Sefton Sixth Form College on the 19th November with awards presented by Councillor Maureen Fern, Mayor of Sefton. This celebration day also included the many international links by Sefton schools maintained with schools and young people across different parts of the world.