

# AGENDA

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**Meeting:** Children's Select Committee  
**Place:** Kennet Committee Room, County Hall, Trowbridge  
**Date:** Tuesday 16 July 2019  
**Time:** 10.30 am

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## **Membership:**

Cllr Jon Hubbard (Chairman)	Cllr Deborah Halik
Cllr Mary Douglas (Vice-Chairman)	Cllr Hayley Illman
Cllr Mary Champion	Cllr Chris Hurst
Cllr Andrew Davis	Cllr Johnny Kidney
Cllr Christopher Devine	Cllr Jacqui Lay
Cllr Sue Evans	Cllr Roy White
Cllr David Halik	

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## **Substitutes:**

Cllr Pat Aves	Cllr Stewart Dobson
Cllr Allison Bucknell	Cllr Peter Evans
Cllr Clare Cape	Cllr Nick Fogg MBE
Cllr Trevor Carbin	Cllr Russell Hawker
Cllr Ernie Clark	Cllr Jim Lynch

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## **Non-Elected Voting Members:**

Dr Mike Thompson	Clifton Diocesan RC Representative
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## **Non-Elected Non-Voting Members:**

Tracy Cornelius  
Miss Sarah Busby  
John Hawkins  
Maisy Humphrey  
Declan Kiely

Primary Head Teacher Representative  
Secondary Head Teacher Representative  
School Teacher Representative  
Children & Young People's Representative  
Children & Young People's Representative -  
Substitute  
Non-elected, non voting Further Education  
Representative

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## PART I

### Items to be considered while the meeting is open to the public

1 **Election of Chairman 2019/20**

To elect a Chairman for the municipal year 2019/20.

2 **Election of Vice-Chairman 20/19/20**

To elect a Vice-Chairman for the municipal year 2019/20.

3 **Apologies**

4 **Minutes of the Previous Meeting** (*Pages 9 - 14*)

To approve and sign the minutes of the previous meeting held on 15 May 2019.  
(Copy attached)

5 **Declarations of Interest**

To receive any declarations of disclosable interests or dispensations granted by the Standards Committee.

6 **Chairman's Announcements**

7 **Public Participation**

The Council welcomes contributions from members of the public.

Statements

If you would like to make a statement at this meeting on any item on this agenda, please register to do so at least 10 minutes prior to the meeting. Up to 3 speakers are permitted to speak for up to 3 minutes each on any agenda item. Please contact the officer named on the front of the agenda for any further clarification.

Questions

To receive any questions from members of the public or members of the Council received in accordance with the constitution.

Those wishing to ask questions are required to give notice of any such questions in writing to the officer named on the front of this agenda no later than

5pm on **Tuesday 9 July 2019** in order to be guaranteed of a written response. In order to receive a verbal response questions must be submitted no later than 5pm on **Thursday 11 July 2019**. Please contact the officer named on the front of this agenda for further advice. Questions may be asked without notice if the Chairman decides that the matter is urgent.

Details of any questions received will be circulated to Committee members prior to the meeting and made available at the meeting and on the Council's website.

8 **Update from Wiltshire Youth Union Representative** (*Pages 15 - 22*)

A report is provided which includes a summary of recent activities of the Wiltshire Youth Union (WYU), the Youth Safeguarding Board (YSB) and the Children in Care Council (CiCC).

9 **Wiltshire Council Apprenticeship Growth Target**

Members will be provided with a report that presents details on Wiltshire Council's submission to central government on how we are fulfilling our apprenticeship target.

Members are asked to consider the details within the report and provide any comments to the Cabinet Member and officers.

10 **Executive Response to the Interim Report of the SEND School Provision Task Group** (*Pages 23 - 30*)

The second interim report of the task group was endorsed by the Children's Select Committee on 5th March 2019 the Children's Select Committee endorsed the Interim Report of the Task Group.

Prior to the 15th May 2019 Children's Select Committee meeting the Task Group learnt that the consultation on the proposals was being extended until 6th May 2019. Based on this the Task Group decided that they would receive an additional briefing following the end of the extended consultation before submitting their endorsed recommendations for executive response.

Following the additional briefing the task group provided the Children's Select Committee with an update and agreed to receive the executive response to their Interim Report at this meeting.

The committee are asked to consider and note the executive responses provided.

11 **Executive Response to the Report of the Children's Centre Consultation Rapid Scrutiny Exercise**

Members of this committee received a report outlining the Council's proposals

for moving children's centre services from buildings to community settings and the consultation process in March 2019. Following discussion, it was resolved that a rapid scrutiny exercise be arranged to examine the results of the consultation, the proposed closures and plans for alternative venues, and investigate the potential scope for further scrutiny

On 15th May the Children's Select Committee endorsed the rapid scrutiny exercise's report and recommendations and resolved to refer the recommendations to the relevant Cabinet member for response at this meeting.

The committee are asked to consider and note the executive responses which will be provided.

12 **DfE Changes - Update from Department for Education** (*Pages 31 - 34*)

A report by Terence Herbert, Corporate Director, is attached presenting an update on developments relating to children's services arising from the Department for Education.

13 **Task Group and Board Representative Updates** (*Pages 35 - 38*)

The committee will receive updates from active Task Groups and the committee's board representatives.

A report by the Senior Scrutiny Officers providing an update on Task Group Activity since the last meeting is attached.

14 **Forward Work Programme** (*Pages 39 - 42*)

The Committee is asked to note the attached documents showing the relevant items from the overview and scrutiny forward work programme and the latest version of the strategy list for the Children, Education and Skills directorate.

15 **Date of Next Meeting**

To note that the next scheduled meeting is due to be held on Tuesday 10 September 2019 at County Hall, Trowbridge, starting at 10.30am.

16 **Urgent Items**

Any other items of business which the Chairman agrees to consider as a matter of urgency.

**PART II**

**Items during whose consideration it is recommended that the public should be excluded because of the likelihood that exempt information would be disclosed**

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## **CHILDREN'S SELECT COMMITTEE**

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### **MINUTES OF THE CHILDREN'S SELECT COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 15 MAY 2019 AT KENNET COMMITTEE ROOM, COUNTY HALL, TROWBRIDGE.**

#### **Present:**

Cllr Jon Hubbard (Chairman), Cllr Mary Douglas (Vice-Chairman), Cllr Mary Champion, Cllr Andrew Davis, Cllr David Halik, Cllr Deborah Halik, Cllr Hayley Illman, Cllr Chris Hurst, Cllr Johnny Kidney, Cllr Jacqui Lay, Cllr Roy While, Miss Sarah Busby, John Hawkins and Cllr James Sheppard (Substitute)

#### **Also Present:**

Cllr Trevor Carbin, Cllr Jane Davies and Cllr Phillip Whalley.

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#### **34 Apologies**

Apologies were received from Cllr Christopher Devine and Cllr Sue Evans.

Cllr Sue Evans was substituted by Cllr James Sheppard.

#### **35 Minutes of the Previous Meeting**

The minutes of the previous meeting held on 5 March 2019, previously circulated, were considered.

The Chairman noted that the SEND School Provision Task Group would not bring its interim report for response by the Cabinet Member for Children, Education and Skills to this meeting because the consultation process was reopened.

#### **Resolved**

**To approve the minutes as correct.**

#### **36 Declarations of Interest**

There were no declarations of interest.

## 37 **Chairman's Announcements**

The Chairman made the following announcements:

### a) Cabinet items

On 30<sup>th</sup> April Cabinet considered the following items:

- Five Lanes VC Primary School – Proposed Discontinuance of the Potterne Site
- Children's Centre Buildings Consultation (CSC involvement – Rapid Scrutiny Exercise)

On 22<sup>nd</sup> May Cabinet will consider the following items:

- Special School Consultation (CSC involvement – SEND School Provision Task Group received update)

### b) New Overview and Scrutiny Guidance from Central Government

The new statutory guidance on overview and scrutiny in local government has now been published by the Ministry of Housing, Communities & Local Government.

This guidance was produced following a commitment from Central Government in early 2018, which followed from the Communities and Local Government Select Committee's inquiry into O&S. Amongst other areas the guidance raises culture across the council as a whole as one of the most important aspects of effective scrutiny. The Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee have been actively involved during the development stages of the Guidance, and will be formally advised of its publication and any potential actions.

- c) That the Committee extends its best wishes to Cllr Jerry Wickham, who has taken the decision to resign as Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care, Public Health and Public Protection due to ill health.

## 38 **Public Participation**

There was no public participation.

## 39 **Corporate Parenting Panel Bi-annual Report**

Cllr Laura Mayes, Deborah Barlow and Matthew Davies presented a report on the progress made against the strategic priorities of the Corporate Parenting Panel.

Matters raised during the discussion included: the seven strategic priorities of the Corporate Parenting Panel; the format of Panel meetings and the Corporate Parenting Strategy.

In answer to a question from the committee it was noted that there were 25 Grand Mentors spread across the county and that 15 young people had been put forward for the scheme so far.

It was noted that Councillors have a responsibility to know the profile of its care leavers and the Corporate Parenting Panel were looking at ways in which their profile can be raised.

In response to an issue raised by the Chairman it was noted that the report did not include a core data set. The committee was reassured that data plays an important part in the thinking of the Panel and that future reports would include more detailed statistics. A key summary of this data and the minutes of the last meeting of the Corporate Parenting Panel are attached.

It was noted the Care Leaver Offer continues to be developed on a regular basis to ensure it does not remain static.

In response to a question from the committee it was noted that the Panel was working with businesses to see what they can provide for young people, for example in the form of apprenticeships.

### **Resolved**

- 1. To note the Bi-annual Report of the Corporate Parenting Panel.**
- 2. To request that future reports from the Corporate Parenting Panel include relevant statistics and key performance indicators.**
- 3. For the Corporate Parenting Panel to receive the comments of the Children's Select Committee on the report.**

### 40 **Childcare Sufficiency Report - 2019**

Cllr Laura Mayes, Angela Brennan and Judith Westcott presented a report on how well Wiltshire is performing in meeting its duty to secure sufficient Early Years and Childcare places across the county.

Matters raised during the discussion included: closures, openings and expansions in Early Years and Childcare provision; the challenges to provision; the role of childminders in ensuring sufficient provision; potential future projects and the Army Rebasing Programme.

In response to an issue raised by the committee it was noted that Wiltshire Council was working with childcare providers to ensure staffing capacity meets demand. There are systems in place to promote the 'grow your own' model of developing staffing teams and it continued to work closely with Wiltshire College.

It was noted that Wiltshire Council was aware of the important role childminders played in ensuring sufficient Early Years and Childcare provision and that it was actively encouraging people to take up such roles. It is currently making an online course offering training to those that want to become childminders.

### **Resolved**

**To note the update and agree that the committee are reassured regarding the sufficiency of Early Years & Childcare places in Wiltshire.**

#### **41 Report of the Children's Centre Consultation Rapid Scrutiny Exercise**

Cllr Trevor Carbin presented a report on the Children's Centres Consultation rapid scrutiny exercise which was tasked with considering the results of the consultation, the proposed closures and the plans for alternative venues.

Matters raised during the discussion included: The Council's proposals for moving children's centre services from buildings to community settings; the consultation process, results and reach and possible alternative venues.

In response to a question from the committee it was noted that Wiltshire Council had increased its children's centre services in people's homes. It is continuing to reach vulnerable people and building its knowledge of local community needs.

It was noted that the Commissioning Team monitors data on a quarterly basis and that it would be helpful for some of this data to be fed back to the Committee.

In response to an issue raised by the committee it was noted that Wiltshire Council had been largely successful in finding alternative venues and that the more pressing issue continued to be people not showing up to use the service once these venues had been confirmed.

### **Resolved**

- 1. To formally note and endorse the report and recommendations of the Children's Centre Consultation Rapid Scrutiny Exercise for response at the next meeting of the Children's Select Committee.**
- 2. To receive a copy of the monitoring framework by autumn 2019 if it is not available by the next meeting of the Children's Select Committee.**

#### **42 School Ofsted Judgements**

Cllr Laura Mayes, Jayne Hartnell and Helean Hughes presented a report on the most recent Ofsted Inspection reports.

Matters raised during the discussion included: that there had been ten inspections since the last report; that both the Oasis Academy and River Mead

had seen their gradings improve; that Wootton Bassett Infants, Sutton Benger Primary and Westbury Leigh Primary had dropped to a Requires Improvement grading; and the Interim School Improvement Plan and the Rapid Achievement Plan.

It was also noted that Wiltshire and the South West in general were continuing to fall behind national figures. These trends would continue to be monitored and acted on.

In response to an issue raised by the committee it was noted that all maintained schools continue to have their performance monitored through the Challenge and Support Partner programme and the new Interim School Improvement Framework will support a more intensive identification of needs and outlines the intensive and rapid support approaches that are now being implemented.

### **Resolved**

**To note the update on Ofsted Inspection from February to April 2019.**

#### 43 **DfE Changes - Update from Department for Education**

Terence Herbert presented a report on the Department for Education's update on children's services.

Matters raised during the discussion included: the guidance for local authorities and schools about children educated at home; the DfE response to the consultation on relationships (sex) and health education; identifying schools for improvement support; the review of post-16 education; social work rules and standards; the new child exploitation disruption toolkit; the principles for supporting care leavers in higher education and the new legal duty to tackle serious youth violence.

In response to a question raised by the committee it was noted that support is available to schools that need educational support from a range of organisations, from DfE to local authorities.

### **Resolved**

**To note the update provided.**

#### 44 **Task Group and Board Representative Updates**

##### **a. CAMHS Task Group**

The written update and following point was noted:

- That the Committee intends to ask the Task Group to provide an indication of how it intends to deliver its remit.

##### **b. Traded Services Task Group**

The written update was noted.

**c. SEND School Provision Task Group**

The written update and the following points were noted:

- That the Special Schools Consultation is being discussed at Cabinet on 22 May and the Task Group's report was available.
- That the System of Excellence was for the whole of the county and not just one area.
- That Wiltshire Council had secured funding for SEND provision in the south of the county.

**Resolved**

**To note the updates.**

45 **Forward Work Programme**

The Chairman presented the relevant items from the overview and scrutiny forward work programme and the latest version of the strategy list for the Children, Education and Skills directorate.

**Resolved**

**To note the forward work plan.**

46 **Date of Next Meeting**

The next scheduled meeting of the Health Select Committee is due to be held on Tuesday 16 July 2019 at County Hall, Trowbridge, starting at 10.30am.

47 **Urgent Items**

There were no urgent items.

(Duration of meeting: 10.30 am - 12.10 pm)

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## Report on Wiltshire Youth Voice activities

### 1. Introduction

This report offers a summary of activities for the new Wiltshire Youth Union (WYU), the Children in Care Council (CiCC), Care Leavers Forum, Members of the Youth Parliament and Youth Consultants Pilot during the period February 2019 – June 2019.

### 2. Meetings

The updated June to December 2019 meetings and activities are confirmed, with planning for more community-based engagement, and less meetings in council buildings. This includes WYU members having liaised with their schools and local communities to host meetings throughout the year, and the Care Leavers' Forum's aim of meetings being co-arranged with volunteer care leavers and Wiltshire Council PAs. 'Dispatches' include surveys, newsletters/news articles/updates.

Month	Children in Care Council	Wiltshire Youth Union	Care Leavers Forum
June	Tuesday 4 Jun County Hall, Trowbridge 5pm-6.30pm	Dispatch out to Youth Union	Tues 18 June Community Room Tesco Salisbury 6.00 – 9.00pm
July	Thurs 4 Jul Joint meeting - County Hall, Trowbridge or The Clarendon Academy, Trowbridge (TBC) 5.00-6.30pm		Dispatch to Care Leavers: Any updates Snap surveys etc...,
August	No Meetings		Email Invite out for next meeting
September	Tue 10 Sep County Hall, Trowbridge Shared Guardian Session (with Corporate Parents) 5pm-6.30pm	Thurs 26 Sep County Hall, Trowbridge or John of Gaunt, Trowbridge (TBC) 4.45pm-6.30pm	Weds 25 September Meeting room, High Street Chippenham, (access next to Town Hall/Valerie Patisserie) 6.00 – 9.00pm
October	Sat 12 October Fun Day Details to be confirmed	Dispatch out to Youth Union	Dispatch to Care Leavers: Any updates Snap surveys etc...,
November	Joint meeting for all – anti-bullying week (11-15 <sup>th</sup> ) 5pm-6.30pm Thurs 7 Nov County Hall, Trowbridge or Hardenhuish School, Chippenham (TBC)		Email Invite out for next meeting
December	Tues 10 Dec CiCC Christmas Event Details to be confirmed	Thurs 12 Dec Youth Union Christmas Event Details to be confirmed	Fri 6 December Longfield Community Centre Weavers Drive, Trowbridge BA14 7DZ 6.00 – 9.00pm

### **3. Wiltshire Youth Union**

The official launch of the Wiltshire Youth Union (WYU), a combination of the previous Wiltshire Assembly of Youth (WAY) and Youth Safeguarding Board (YSB) will take place on 4 July 2019. The WYU includes member representation from the CiCC. The WYU will vote in its Chair, review and sign off new revised Terms of Reference (ToRs) and start putting together a 12 month work plan as part of the re-launch. Work to further develop the group will be taken forward with the branding team once voting has taken place on a new Logo. Members are committed to a refreshed identify which brings them together under one brand.

The WYU is interested to know what the Children's Select Committee (CSC) forward plan is and have extended an invitation to Jon Hubbard, the present Chair of the Committee to attend one of its future meetings.

### **4. Working in partnership**

Here are examples of partnership working Wiltshire Youth Voice members/groups have been involved in so far during 2019;

#### **4.1 Raising Awareness**

Throughout January 2019, members of the WYU and CiCC participated in a council-generated online survey. This was facilitated to ascertain their views and opinions on a set of three questions posed by PCSO Alan Byrne (Schools and Youth Liaison Supervisor), as part of a 'sextortion' consultation.

The questions posed elicited a 50% response rate from the 30 young people invited to take part, and the following outcomes:

Q1. What would be the best form of communication from the Police regarding CSE and how to help prevent it?

- 60% said – social media campaign – use of created videos via Instagram and Snapchat
- 33.3% said - Drama presentation
- 6.67% said – Poster/Leaflet Campaign

Q2. What age range should it be targeted at?

- 40% said – 11-13 yrs.
- 40% said – 14-16 yrs.
- 13.33 % said – 8 -10 yrs.
- 6.67% said – 16+ yrs.

Q3. What would you want highlighted most?

- 86.67% said – identifying the signs of CSE

Free text responses from young people taking part in the survey included:

- "Younger people (8-10) are less aware but need to be"
- "Child Sexual Exploitation can happen at any age, the sooner the children know the better. However, it's my understanding that parents of very young children would object to them being exposed to content such as this, therefore 11-13"
- "8-10 is too young to understand properly but at age 11 kids start getting on to the internet and gaining independence so it's important they know the dangers etc"

Feedback from the survey has been used to influence and support the Police in the next stage of a combined County Lines, Knife Crime and Sextortion Awareness initiative. In May 2019, the WYU reviewed a draft script under development by the Police in conjunction with Swindon College. Comments noted by the WYU supported the editing of the script and a revised version was produced. Swindon College is now in the process of creating a trailer for the media campaign.



## **4.2 Recruitment**

Members of the WYU, CiCC and the Care Leavers Forum want to have a say in who gets recruited by the Council. Lucy Townsend (Director, Families and Children's Services) requested the support of young people from WYU/CiCC for a young person interview panel for the Head of Service-Children in Care and Young People. Feedback from the young people's panel was included in the candidate scoring process. This process was replicated when recruiting for the new Head of Virtual School.

## **4.3 Consultation**

As part of the WYU meeting on March 7, Healthwatch Wiltshire were given a 30-minute time slot to conduct a focus group around the NHS Long Term Plan.

The group took part in two activities and some of the questions asked are below:

1. Who should assess/diagnose/treat/support you?
2. Where would you expect this to happen?
3. How far would you travel?
4. Would you prefer to travel to see a specialist or receive support locally?
5. What type of care would you be prepared to wait for if the service was exceptional?
6. What additional information would help you to make choices? Is there enough information?
7. Who should provide information? Where and how would you like to access it?
8. How can communication be improved?
9. In what other ways would you like to be supported?

Healthwatch Wiltshire have committed to update Wiltshire Council and the WYU once the NHS has published its full report due Summer/Autumn 2019.

## **4.4 Environment**

A member of the WYU supports the Climate Change strike that takes place in Bath each year as part of The Bath Youth Climate Alliance and, will be giving a presentation to the WYU to help raise awareness to peers of climate change on the environment.

The Bath Youth Climate Alliance is an organisation run entirely by people in full time education with a common aim to tackle the Climate and Ecological Crisis and to mobilise a younger generation to respond through means of peaceful protest. To date this local group has organised five main events, all being Youth Strikes 4 Climate aligned with the Fridays For Future movement and has staffed stalls at events to raise awareness.

The WYU will discuss, debate and vote during a group session to decide if they will adopt this issue into their 12 month work plan.

## **5. CiCC**

The CiCC has completed its first Newsletter of 2019, which is now in the process of being circulated. It includes recognition of National Care Day, which was in February. The newsletter will be mailed out to children and young people aged 8+ with an invitation to join CiCC.

Appendix 1: CiCC Newsletter Summer 2019

The new adopted 'brand' to promote key messages and campaigns is underway. CiCC has launched its first campaign on Mental Health Awareness. Lego animated characters of CiCC have been created in conjunction with our Communications Team and their first video for Mental Health Awareness has been produced. It will be the start of a suite of videos to raise awareness on issues they feel need recognising

and that will support other young people living in care and beyond. Please access the link to view the first edit test video - <https://youtu.be/3CSojc1zaUQ>.

The CiCC wanted the opportunity to feed back some positive and negative experiences of their journey in care. The CiCC discussed the option of Bath University's offer to come in and do a session with the group and agreed to invite them. The CiCC worked in partnership with Bath University to put together the agenda for the Shared Guardianship Session on 19 March 2019.

Bath University facilitated a series of exercises with the group to generate discussion, capture feedback and promote learning. A report on these outcomes will be made available to Wiltshire Council so operational children's services teams embed the learning.

The CiCC took an active roll in the recent Ofsted inspection. CiCC members lead by its Chair facilitated a question and answer session with the Inspectors. The CiCC feedback to the Inspectors their views on the services they have received

## **6. Care Leavers' Forum**

All Care Leavers' Forum external venues are booked for 2019, with a meeting time of 6.30-8.30pm to support as many young people as possible to attend. The first two Care Leavers Forums took place on 29 March and 18 June, in Trowbridge and Salisbury respectively.

Care Leaver feedback from these forums included:

- How can we promote the forum – so that those Care Leavers who would/can come along know where and are supported to do so?
- Not all Care Leavers can or would want to come to a forum – how can we get more of those Care Leaver voices heard?

The Interim Head of Children in Care (Deborah Barlow) has committed to promote the forum within operational teams and the wider community.

Actions will be taken forward to future forum meetings to ensure that all those who wish to can fully participate and have their voice/views heard. This will include exploring alternative methods and replicating best practice taken from other youth voice forums, such as the use of Survey Monkey and remote electronic voting options. This will be developed in conjunction with Care Leavers.

## **7. Your Voice Survey**

The deadline for completion of the Your Voice Survey 2018 was extended until 7 February 2019, due to the impact of the roll-out of the Liquid Logic case management system, to maximise responses.

A total of 77 young people took part in the survey, with 3 being interviewed after for further information. As part of that, 20 young people choose to complete surveys online, and 57 of them completed a paper-based survey.

Key Findings:

35% of young people don't know why a worker is involved, especially at the beginning

90% of young people felt listened to

90% of young people feel their worker had made them happier about things and have helped them and their family.

What else we found out is really important to the young people that participated are:

- The importance of quality peer support
- Being listened to and treated as an individual with individual concerns, anxieties and needs
- The importance of having the right foster family-good, kind, long-term and well matched
- Having the right social worker whom the young person can bond with, trusts and respects
- Young people being included rather than information ‘for and about’ them going from social worker to foster carer instead of directly to them.

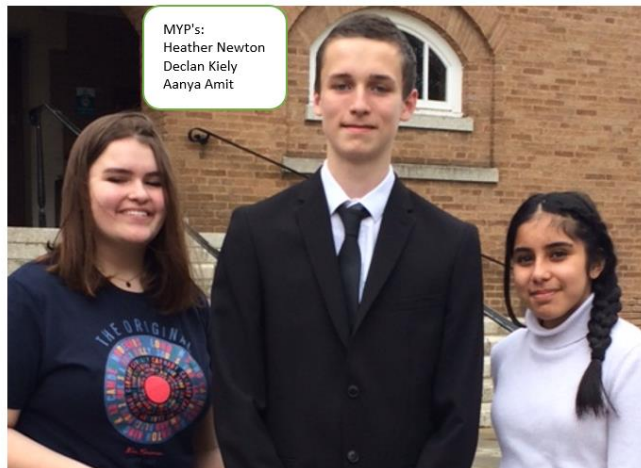
Appendix 2: 2018 Your Voice Consultation Report Final

## **8. Elections to the UK Youth Parliament – 2019**

The voting for this year’s elections took place between 11 and 27 February 2019. The new term of office commenced on 1 March 2019, and our newly elected MYPs for the three represented Wiltshire’s areas are:

- Wiltshire East – Heather Newton
- Wiltshire North – Declan Kiely
- Wiltshire West – Aanya Verma

The MYPs will be looking to arrange visits and introduce themselves to the Wiltshire Members of Parliament (MPs) and Councillors.



## **9. Wiltshire’s Members of the Youth Parliament (MYPs)**

The MYPs have committed to support and take forward the two priority campaigns for 2019 which were voted in following a debate in the House of Commons in November 2018. They are:

1. Tackling Knife Crime and...
2. Votes at 16.

Also, as Wiltshire MYPs they have agreed a set of their own local priorities which they would like to progress in partnership with elected members:

- Reduce or abolish university fees
- Tackle climate change, in particular by increasing the availability of electric car charging points
- A curriculum for life
- Free public transport for children/young people in full-time education
- Improve mental health services by addressing concerns raised by young people who have experience with the system
- Mental health awareness

The MYPs have been actively supporting Wiltshire Youth Voice by participation in Wiltshire Council recruitment panels and attendance at the CSC. They will also as part of their role co-chair the WYU.

## **10. Youth Consultants – Pilot Project**

Wiltshire Council is working in partnership with Community First to develop a new role for Wiltshire, one which demonstrates a local commitment to co-production and youth engagement. Community First will recruit between 6 to 8 Youth Consultants on Wiltshire’s behalf for a 12-month pilot. The consultants will ideally be between 16 and 24 years of age and be able to identify and engage with young people. Young people with experience of children’s services are particularly being encouraged to apply.

The Youth Consultants will make links with the WYU, CiCC and Care Leavers Forum and establish a relationship and develop their role. The ambition for the new Youth Consultant role is to increase the reach of youth voice activities, participation, engagement and co-production opportunities, and to enhance the validity of messages to decision makers. As informed youth voice representatives they will give advice and guidance to assist officers and councillors in planning services and understanding community assets and service provider markets.



The WYU and CiCC were consulted over the implementation of the new Youth Consultants project and they offered input in the role and the branding of the pilot scheme.



These groups will also play a major part in the recruitment of Youth Consultants and within its training process.

The window for application submission is open, with a closing date of 5 July 2019. Interview dates for shortlisted applicants are planned in for Mid-July.

## **Appendix**

1. CiCC Newsletter Summer 2019:



Children In Care  
Newsletter [Online Ve

2. 2018 Your Voice Consultation Report Final



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**Wiltshire Council**

**Children’s Select Committee**

**16<sup>th</sup> July 2019**

## **Executive Response to the Interim Report of the SEND School Provision Task Group**

### **Purpose of the report**

1. To present the response of the Cabinet Member for Children, Education & Skills to the Interim Report of the SEND School Provision Task Group.

### **Background**

2. On 5<sup>th</sup> March 2019 the Children’s Select Committee endorsed the Interim Report of the Task Group.
3. The Committee resolved to refer the following Task Group’s recommendations to the relevant Cabinet member for response at the Committee’s next meeting on 15<sup>th</sup> May 2019.
4. Prior to the 15<sup>th</sup> May 2019 Children’s Select Committee meeting the Task Group learnt that the consultation on the proposals was being extended until 6<sup>th</sup> May 2019. Based on this the Task Group decided that they would receive an additional briefing following the end of the extended consultation before submitting their endorsed recommendations for executive response. Following the additional briefing the task group provided the Children’s Select Committee with an update and agreed to receive the executive response to their Interim Report at the next meeting of the Children’s Select Committee on 16<sup>th</sup> July 2019.

### **Executive response to the Task Group’s recommendations**

<b>Recommendation No.1</b>	<b>Makes suitable arrangements, such as monthly meetings, for the school staff to work closely with the architect and development team to ensure that the finished buildings are practical for all purposes.</b>		
<b>Cabinet member</b>	Cllr Laura Mayes	<b>Lead Officer</b>	Helen Jones
<b>Executive response</b>	16 <sup>th</sup> July 2019	ACCEPTED	The Council continues to work closely with the three heads of Larkrise, St Nicholas and Rowdeford schools to ensure all staff are full informed as to the progress. Additionally, regular and ongoing

			meetings of WASSPP take place as a forum for engaging all special schools in the process. On Monday 1 July all staff were informed through their Heads that the Secretary of State had given his consent to the proposal to amalgamate all three schools into a new multi-site school. An agreed timetable showing the process was given to all staff outlining the steps to the opening of the new places. We will be developing more formal arrangements to work with heads, staff and governors including the formation of a shadow governing body with equitable representation from all three schools.
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<b>Recommendation No.2</b>	<b>Clarifies the role of the academy provider in the design of the Centre of Excellence building.</b>		
<b>Cabinet member</b>	Cllr Laura Mayes	<b>Lead Officer</b>	Helen Jones
<b>Executive response</b>	16 <sup>th</sup> July 2019	AMENDED	The Secretary of State has consented to the proposal for a Local Authority maintained community special school, rather than an academy provider.

<b>Recommendation No.3</b>	<b>Works to keep the Wiltshire parental &amp; parent-carer community consulted, closely involved and informed throughout the development process to promote community ownership and governance of the new schools.</b>		
<b>Cabinet member</b>	Cllr Laura Mayes	<b>Lead Officer</b>	Helen Jones
<b>Executive response</b>	16 <sup>th</sup> July 2019	ACCEPTED	The Council is in regular dialogue with the director of Wiltshire Parent Carer Council in order to ensure the parent carer community is fully consulted and informed as to the process. Meetings are held with SEND Action Group representatives to ensure they are kept fully informed. A timeline leaflet has been distributed to parents through the schools and WPCC. From September the Council will start a statutory 4 week consultation on the proposals.



<b>Recommendation No.4</b>	<b>Includes the opinion of Wiltshire parent &amp; parent-carer community, through the medium of the Wiltshire Parent Carer Council (WPCC), in the decision-making process for choosing the new academy provider of the Centre of Excellence.</b>		
<b>Cabinet member</b>	Cllr Laura Mayes	<b>Lead Officer</b>	Helen Jones
<b>Executive response</b>	16 <sup>th</sup> July 2019	AMENDED	Having listened to the collective parent carer voice a strong and successful case was taken to the Secretary of State not to go down the academy route. This was with the full support of WPCC.

<b>Recommendation No.5</b>	<b>Ensures that all relevant parties, such as parents/parent-carers, are kept well informed throughout a transparent decision-making and selection process for the academy provider who will be chosen to run the new Centre of Excellence.</b>		
<b>Cabinet member</b>	Cllr Laura Mayes	<b>Lead Officer</b>	Helen Jones
<b>Executive response</b>	16 <sup>th</sup> July 2019	AMENDED	As above, the decision has been taken to propose a local authority maintained community special school status.

<b>Recommendation No.6</b>	<b>Ensures that the chosen academy provider for the Centre of Excellence is specialist in SEND education.</b>		
<b>Cabinet member</b>	Cllr Laura Mayes	<b>Lead Officer</b>	Helen Jones
<b>Executive response</b>	16 <sup>th</sup> July 2019	AMENDED	As above. The strong feeling was that the Council was best placed to drive forward this project.

<b>Recommendation No.7</b>	<b>Ensures that school facilities such as hydrotherapy and sensory rooms are available for use by external groups and parents/carers, and that they are located suitably within the building to minimise disruption and provide independent access.</b>		
<b>Cabinet member</b>	Cllr Laura Mayes	<b>Lead Officer</b>	Helen Jones
<b>Executive response</b>	16 <sup>th</sup> July 2019	ACCEPTED	The proposal is to keep all sites open until new capacity has been built on the exiting Rowdeford site. As such capacity becomes available a decision based on demand for places at that time will be taken about which sites are proposed to

			be retained. This means that all existing processes for keeping the hydrotherapy pools open will be maintained for the next few years. The Council currently is in discussion with those responsible for the management of the hydrotherapy pools to minimise disruption and provide independent access.
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<b>Recommendation No.8</b>	<b>Provide a dedicated office, meeting and therapy space within the new builds for Multi-Agency workers and health specialists to serve as a base for the workers.</b>		
<b>Cabinet member</b>	Cllr Laura Mayes	<b>Lead Officer</b>	Helen Jones
<b>Executive response</b>	16 <sup>th</sup> July 2019	ACCEPTED	The proposal is to provide a dedicated office, meeting and therapy space within the new builds for Multi-Agency workers and health specialists to serve as a base for the workers.

<b>Recommendation No.9</b>	<b>Ensures that there is an effective educational transition process in place which caters to the individual child and allows them to grow whilst progressing through the school.</b>		
<b>Cabinet member</b>	Cllr Laura Mayes	<b>Lead Officer</b>	Helen Jones
<b>Executive response</b>	16 <sup>th</sup> July 2019	ACCEPTED	The proposal now keeps all three sites open until it is appropriate for pupils to transfer to the enhanced capacity planned for the Rowdeford site. An executive leader will be in place from 2021 at the latest to ensure that a transition is smooth and appropriate.

<b>Recommendation No.10</b>	<b>Ensures that the design of the school is made up through a collection of sub schools (or “blocks”) to allow each child to progress through these “blocks” based upon educational need, rather than age.</b>		
<b>Cabinet member</b>	Cllr Laura Mayes	<b>Lead Officer</b>	Helen Jones
<b>Executive response</b>	16 <sup>th</sup> July 2019	ACCEPTED	The SEND child centric design is being progressed around small spaces and a school within a school model to ensure all learning and wellbeing services are tailored to the

			individual in a highly personalised setting.
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<b>Recommendation No.11</b>	<b>Develop a close working relationship between the future Whole Life Service, the Centre of Excellence, and Wiltshire College.</b>		
<b>Cabinet member</b>	Cllr Laura Mayes	<b>Lead Officer</b>	Helen Jones
<b>Executive response</b>	16 <sup>th</sup> July 2019	ACCEPTED	There is a programme to create a cross county approach to Post 16 special education and transition to independent living. Wiltshire Council, Wiltshire Clinical Commissioning Group, Wiltshire Police and partners such as Wiltshire College are exploring ideas and creating a long-term strategy through the Families and Children's Transformation (FACT) programme.

<b>Recommendation No.12</b>	<b>Creates community facing student-run cafés at the new builds and utilises them as a resource for use by the community, parents/carers, staff and students.</b>		
<b>Cabinet member</b>	Cllr Laura Mayes	<b>Lead Officer</b>	Helen Jones
<b>Executive response</b>	16 <sup>th</sup> July 2019	ACCEPTED	The proposal is for the new build on Rowdeford to create community facing student run cafes and utilise them as a resource for the community. The model draws on the success of similar facilities as Fairfield Farm College in Westbury.

<b>Recommendation No.13</b>	<b>Sufficiently considers the current and future traffic flow and parking requirements for the schools and creates a system that can exceed these demands.</b>		
<b>Cabinet member</b>	Cllr Laura Mayes	<b>Lead Officer</b>	Helen Jones
<b>Executive response</b>	16 <sup>th</sup> July 2019	ACCEPTED	Transport colleagues are looking at the current and future traffic flow and parking arrangements to ensure that it is appropriate. Transport is exploring the appropriateness of improving road safety features by including the entrance to the Rowdeford school site within lowered speed limits and exploring the consideration of a pedestrian crossing.

<b>Recommendation No.14</b>	<b>Include the development of a Challenging Behavioural Unit in the proposals to reduce future out of county provision and ensures there is an effective admissions procedure developed for the unit in consultation with SEND schools with existing Challenging Behavioural Units.</b>		
<b>Cabinet member</b>	Cllr Laura Mayes	<b>Lead Officer</b>	Helen Jones
<b>Executive response</b>	16 <sup>th</sup> July 2019	AMENDED	The requirements for Challenging behaviour unit are being considered in wider work led by the Director for Education and particularly in the context of support to children with ASD and Social emotional and mental health issues (SEMH) and the two schools which support children/young people with these needs, Downland and Springfields.

<b>Recommendation No.15</b>	<b>Supports mainstream integration, in line with the Task Groups comments in para 44, through providing specialist SEND support in both primary and secondary schools across the county in the form of Resources Bases supported by the Centre of Excellence.</b>		
<b>Cabinet member</b>	Cllr Laura Mayes	<b>Lead Officer</b>	Helen Jones
<b>Executive response</b>	16 <sup>th</sup> July 2019	ACCEPTED	A detailed review of SEND provision has recently been undertaken by ISOS for the Council. Whilst primary resource base provision seems effective there is scope to look again a secondary Enhanced Learning Provision (ELP) and to consider whether placed based approaches to resource bases in secondary might draw from seemingly successful models like that at Hardenhuish school. This process has already started and is being taken forward by the Director for Education and Skills.

<b>Recommendation No.16</b>	<b>Provides details on the transport plans which will be used to provide children with effective integration in the local communities.</b>		
<b>Cabinet member</b>	Cllr Laura Mayes	<b>Lead Officer</b>	Helen Jones
<b>Executive response</b>	16 <sup>th</sup> July 2019	ACCEPTED	Detailed transport plans have been constructed to look at the options

			<p>surrounding the various sites. The proposal is to have 400 places ready at the current Rowdeford school site by 2023. As this is some way off, current provision will be taken forward for a number of years. The shadow and subsequently governing body of the new amalgamated school will oversee all transport considerations. The new leader will be in place no later than September 2021 and s/he will ensure that children and young people attending the new school have appropriate transport arrangements.</p>
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5. The Secretary of State has granted Wiltshire Council consent to publish the proposals to establish a new community maintained special school. The plan is to amalgamate Larkrise, St Nicholas and Rowdeford schools into one new school, operating across the existing three sites, with a single leadership team by 2021. The plan also involves a £32million new building on the existing Rowdeford site to increase capacity for SEND students with complex needs. All three sites will stay open. The four-week consultation will start in September 2019 after the summer holiday. In the coming years when most of the new places are available there will be a further consultation about the appropriate number of sites required in light of demand.

### **Proposal**

6. To note the executive response to the Interim Report of the **SEND School Provision Task Group**.

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**Cllr Laura Mayes, Cabinet Member for Children, Education & Skills**

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## **DfE Changes – Update May 2019 – June 2019.**

### **School exclusions review**

1. Edward Timpson's review of exclusions has been published, identifying 30 recommendations put forward for change. The report notes that fixed term and permanent exclusions have been rising for the last five years, but there is significant variation both within and between places. Learners with special educational needs, from poorer backgrounds, from some ethnic groups and those who are in contact with children's social care are more likely than their peers to be excluded. The review concludes that systemic improvement is required and recommendations on how this can be achieved are summarised below:
  - Leadership recommendations include a review and update of exclusions guidance; the DfE should clarify the role of the LA in the education system; and, diversity amongst school leadership should be increased.
  - School-level recommendations include greater support for the workforce to manage and meet behavioural needs; a new Practice Improvement Fund to develop and/or share good practice; and, the DfE should raise the profile of alternative provision whilst investing in this workforce and facilities.
  - Incentivising inclusion recommendations include making schools accountable for the outcomes of learners they exclude; Ofsted should consider use of exclusions in its judgements; and the DfE should build capacity in governors to offer challenge in this area.
  - Safeguarding recommendations include new guidance suggested on managed moves based on best practice; DfE to consider a 'right to return' period for pupils who become educated at home; and, the DfE to consider new safeguards to stop schools refusing to admit pupils when they should.

The full report can be found [here](#)

### **Government response to the Timpson review of exclusions**

2. The government has responded to the finding of the review and has set out a programme of work to respond to the recommendations, which includes four core commitments:
  - To support head teachers to maintain safe and orderly environments for the benefit of all pupils and staff in their schools;
  - To support schools and their partners to put in place effective interventions to give pupils at risk of exclusion the best chance to succeed;
  - To provide greater clarity for school leaders about when and how it is appropriate for children to be removed from their school, and make sure there is sufficient oversight when pupils move around the education system; and
  - To support schools and providers of alternative provision so that pupils who have been excluded from school continue to benefit from high quality education.
3. Some of the measures identified to ensure these commitments will be achieved include: making schools accountable for the outcomes of permanently excluded

children; establishing a practice programme that embeds effective partnership working between LAs, schools, alternative provision and other partners; working with sector experts to rewrite guidance (including on exclusions, and on behaviour and discipline in schools) by summer 2020; reviewing information on children who leave schools, by exclusion or otherwise, and to establish a shared understanding of how the data on the characteristics of such children feeds local trends; working with Ofsted to define and tackle the practice of 'off-rolling' (whereby children are removed from school rolls without formal exclusion); and extending support for alternative provision (AP).

The full response can be found [here](#).

### **Relationships education, relationships and sex education (RSE) and health education**

4. The DfE has concluded the debate in parliament on proposals that schools are required to teach relationships education at primary school, relationships and sex education at secondary school and health education at all state-funded schools.
5. Statutory guidance has now been issued and the new curriculum will be mandatory from September 2020. Schools are encouraged to adopt the new curriculum early from September 2019. Promotional guides for parents have been published to help schools communicate with them about teaching relationships and health education, and can be found [here](#).

The statutory guidance can be accessed [here](#)

### **Academies Update**

6. Number in Wiltshire at the end of June 2019:

Academies	101
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7. New academies in this period:

All Cannings Church of England Primary School
Bishops Cannings Church of England Aided Primary School
Chirton Church of England Voluntary Controlled Primary School
Rushall Church of England Voluntary Aided School
Woodborough Church of England Aided Primary School

### **SEND and alternative provision**

8. The DfE has launched a call for evidence to consider how the SEND and alternative provision financial arrangements in England could be improved to help local authorities, schools, colleges and other providers in supporting children and young people with special educational needs and disability and those who require alternative provision or are at risk of exclusion from school. The call for evidence is not directly about how much funding is needed or about the statutory processes for meeting complex needs. Rather, it is intended to focus on understanding how current funding is distributed, including how it enables mainstream schools to make provision for their pupils with additional needs, and on improvements that could be taken forward in future.
9. The consultation is open until 31 July 2019 and can be accessed [here](#).



### **Restraint and restrictive intervention**

10. The Department of Health consulted on draft guidance on reducing the need for restraint and restrictive intervention for children and young people with learning disabilities, autistic spectrum disorder and mental health needs. The consultation concluded in January 2018 and the outcome, which summarises some of the key concerns raised and the main changes made to the final guidance in light of the responses to consultation, has now been published [here](#).

The finalised guidance is now available and can be accessed [here](#).

### **Children in Need Review**

11. The government has concluded the Children in Need review to understand why educational outcomes are poor for children who are in need of help and protection, and have identified four areas of action to focus on improving educational outcomes:

- Visibility - better recognition of the scale of how many children have ever needed a social worker; national focus in policy and practice; improving the availability of data; and improved information sharing between social care and schools.
- Keeping children in education - recognising increased risks when children are missing education; tackling persistent absence; improving in-year admissions; avoiding children being out of school where safety is a concern; and action around exclusions, off-rolling and alternative provision.
- Aspiration - high expectations for children to achieve, pursuing safety in parallel but not as a precursor; aspirational leadership; partnerships with aspiration as a shared goal; key roles that bring schools and social care together.
- Support in and around school - developing and sharing evidence of what works; recognising and responding to social, emotional and mental health needs; establishing specialist support in and around schools to facilitate and coordinate effective interventions.

Full details of the policy paper, including the interim findings published in December 2018, can be accessed [here](#).

### **New support for survivors of domestic abuse**

12. The government has launched a 12-week consultation on new plans to place a legal duty on local authorities to provide accommodation for victims of abuse, and their children. As part of these plans local authorities will also be required to develop and publish strategies detailing support services available. Levels of funding will be covered as part of the consultation exercise.

The consultation runs until 2 August 2019 and can be accessed [here](#).

### **Tackling Child Exploitation Support Programme**

13. A consortium, led by Research in Practice, together with The Children's Society and University of Bedfordshire, has been appointed by the DfE to develop and deliver a new programme to tackle child exploitation. The Tackling Child Exploitation (TCE) Support Programme aims to support local areas to develop an effective strategic response to child exploitation and threats from outside the family home, including child sexual exploitation and child criminal exploitation, including county lines drug trafficking.

The press release can be read [here](#) and additional information and FAQs on the programme can be found [here](#).

### **Consultation on national survey on the mental health of looked-after children**

14. The DfE and Department of Health and Social Care are consulting on the content of a national survey on the mental health of children in care. The last survey took place in 2002 and the results of this new survey will help inform the development of local services for children in care and care leavers as well as future training for care professionals. The consultation will run until 26 July 2019 and can be found [here](#).

### **Experimental statistics on outcomes for children previously looked after**

15. The DfE has published experimental statistics on outcomes for children previously looked after continuously for at least 12 months. Some of the notable key findings of the statistics include:
- Overall, children who left care through an adoption, special guardianship order or child arrangement order were more likely to achieve the expected standard across all subjects - than looked after children at Key Stage 2
  - Children that have left care due to an adoption, special guardianship order (SGO) or child arrangement order (CAO) progress less well than looked after children at the end of Key Stage 2
  - Children who left care through an adoption, SGO or CAO achieve better than looked after children at Key Stage 4 across all key measures
  - Pupils who were adopted were more likely to perform better across all Key Stage 4 attainment measures than other previously looked after children
  - Children that have left care due to an adoption, SGO or CAO had made more progress by the end of Key Stage 4 than looked after children
  - Differences in attainment at both Key Stage 2 and Key Stage 4 are less marked when factoring in SEN.

The full release can be accessed [here](#).

### **Ofsted Education Inspection Framework**

16. Following a consultation on a new Education Inspection Framework earlier in the year, Ofsted has now published the outcome. Inspections will focus on what children actually learn, ahead of results; will be designed to discourage culture of 'teaching to the test'; and will include a new 'behaviour' judgement to give parents reassurance on bullying. Several of the proposals in the draft version of the handbook have been changed, including on-site inspection preparation by inspectors. The consultation outcome report can be found [here](#).

17. The new handbook for the inspection of early years, schools, and further education and skills settings, which will come into force on 1 September 2019, can be found [here](#).

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Largely taken from the DfE website 07 May 2019 – 28 June 2019.

**Wiltshire Council**

**Children's Select Committee**

**16 July 2019**

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## **Task Group Update**

### **Purpose**

To provide an update on recent task group activity and propose any decisions requiring Committee approval.

### **1. Traded Services for Schools Task Group**

#### Membership:

Mr John Hawkins (Chairman)  
Cllr Trevor Carbin  
Cllr Jon Hubbard  
Cllr Tony Jackson

Supporting Officer: Marie Gondlach

#### Terms of reference:

1. To review the proposed developments for traded services to schools, considering the outcomes of the service review of traded services (commenced in October 2016), with a particular focus on the following areas:
  - a) The model for the centralised trading unit and the proposed traded services team structure and appointments to ensure sustainability and quality of service;
  - b) The cost of services that are currently provided against projected costs to ensure value for money;
  - c) The plans for marketing to ensure continuous take-up;
  - d) The current policy;
  - e) How traded services will be future-proofed.
  
2. To review and comment on the Cabinet report regarding the proposals for the future of outdoor education in Wiltshire, with particular focus on the Evidence based analysis that led to the options presented within the report. Comments from the task group will be presented to Cabinet at the same meeting at which the report is considered (scheduled for 28 March 2018 at the time of writing).
  
3. To review and comment on:
  - a) the Council's advertising of the two outdoor education sites (Braeside and Oxenwood);
  - b) the Council's consideration of expressions of interest, including evaluation

criteria and weighting;  
c) the report to Cabinet (planned for 9 October 2018 at time of writing) presenting the findings on the expressions of interests.

Recent Activity:

The task group will meet on Thursday 11 July and a verbal update will be provided.

**2. Child and Adolescent Mental Health (CAMHS) Task Group**

Membership:

Cllr Phil Alford (Chairman)  
Cllr Clare Cape  
Cllr Gordon King  
Cllr Fred Westmoreland

*Supporting Officer: Natalie Heritage*

Terms of Reference:

That the CAMHS Task Group:

- a) Consider the governance arrangements for the recommissioned CAHMS service;
- b) Explore and understand the new CAHMS model in comparison to the existing model and consider the evidence base for any changes. Then where appropriate, make recommendations to support its implementation and effectiveness;
- c) Look at existing data and ensure that the new model's performance will be robustly monitored and benchmarked against this by the council, partners and by the proposed future scrutiny exercise;
- d) Consider access and referral points within the new CAHMS model and, as appropriate, make recommendations to maximise take-up by children and young people in need of support;
- e) Explore where CAMHS sits within the overall landscape of children and young people's mental health and, within this, consider whether prevention services are effective

Recent Activity

Following Children Select and Health Select Committees' consideration of the Final Report – Part One and Executive Response on [8 January 2019](#) and [5 March 2019](#) respectively, it has been agreed that the Task Group remain dormant until Autumn 2019, when relevant service data will become available.

### 3. Youth Transport Task Group

Membership:

Cllr Tony Jackson (Chairman)  
Cllr Mary Champion  
Cllr George Jeans  
Cllr Jim Lynch  
Master Alfie Lowe (Youth Representative)

Supporting Officer: Adam Brown

Terms of reference (draft):

1. To investigate the current range of public transportation options available to young people in Wiltshire.<sup>1</sup>
2. To identify any unmet needs, gaps in service provision, and potential areas of improvement.
3. To produce recommendations with a focus on the improvement of Wiltshire's public transport services for young people.

<sup>1</sup> The TG defines the term "young people" as aged up to 18 and up to 25 for care leavers and those living with SEND.

Recent activity:

The Task Group has met three times since 16<sup>th</sup> May 2019. At their first meeting they met with Jason Salter, Head of Passenger Transport, and Adrian Full, Transport Review Officer. The task group received a briefing on the offers available to young people in Wiltshire and the fares and passes available to on public transport for young people.

Most recently they met Harry Tipple, Head of Community and Business Development for the charity Community First. The task group's discussion covered potential future youth transport schemes with a primary focus on what could be investigated and supported by Wiltshire Council. The task group heard that there would be a focus on exploring the provision of transport assistance to care leavers. Other topics covered at the meeting included the use of digital wallets for transport, and the use of sustainable transport.

The task group would like to thank Alfie Lowe for his time and work so far on the task group as their Youth Representative. He has provided valuable insight into the experience with youth transport from a young person's perspective.

The task group will next meet on 5<sup>th</sup> September and will aim to finalise their final report in preparation for it to be submitted to this committee.

## **Proposal**

- 1. To note the task group updates provided.**
- 2. To endorse the terms of reference of the Youth Transport Task Group.**

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## Children's Select Committee Forward Work Programme

Last updated 1 JULY 2019

<b>Children's Select Committee – Current / Active Task Groups</b>		
<b>Task Group</b>	<b>Start Date</b>	<b>Final Report Expected</b>
Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services (CAMHS)	October 2017	TBC
SEND School Provision	October 2017	TBC (Interim received June 2018 & January 2019)
Traded Services for Schools	December 2017	TBC
Youth Transport	May 2019	September 2019

<b>Children's Select Committee - Rapid Scrutiny</b>		
<b>Topic</b>	<b>Details</b>	<b>Date</b>
Children's Centres Buildings Consultation		March 2019

<b>Children's Select Committee – Forward Work Programme</b>			Last updated 1 JULY 2019		
<b>Meeting Date</b>	<b>Item</b>	<b>Details / Purpose of Report</b>	<b>Associate Director</b>	<b>Responsible Cabinet Member</b>	<b>Report Author / Lead Officer</b>
10 Sep 2019	Performance & Outcomes for Families & Children's Services	To receive an overview of the performance and outcomes of children's social care.	Lucy Townsend (Director - Family and Children)	Cabinet Member for Children, Education and Skills	Lynda Cox
10 Sep 2019	Apprenticeships Update - Service Provider Contract Obligations	To receive an update from the Corporate Director for Growth, Investment & Place on the progress made towards building in obligations into service provider contracts to ensure Level 2 apprentices are included within their Wiltshire-based workforces.		Cabinet Member for Children, Education and Skills	Alistair Cunningham OBE
10 Sep 2019	Final Report of the Youth Transport Task Group		Alistair Cunningham	Cabinet Member for Children, Education and Skills, Cabinet Member for Highways, Transport and Waste	Adam Brown
12 Nov 2019	Pre-Meeting Information Briefing: Children Accessing Alternative Educational Provision	To receive the topic as a pre-meeting briefing following the resolution from the 5th March 2019 Children's Select Committee meeting.	Lucy Townsend (Director - Family and Children)	Cabinet Member for Children, Education and Skills	



Children's Select Committee – Forward Work Programme			Last updated 1 JULY 2019		
Meeting Date	Item	Details / purpose of report	Associate Director	Responsible Cabinet Member	Report Author / Lead Officer
12 Nov 2019	Higher Education Strategy	To receive an update on the progress of the SWLEP Higher Education Strategy as agreed by the committee in November 2018.		Cabinet Member for Children, Education and Skills	Jackie Tuckett
12 Nov 2019	Executive Response to the Final Report of the Youth Transport Task Group		Alistair Cunningham	Cabinet Member for Children, Education and Skills, Cabinet Member for Highways, Transport and Waste	Adam Brown
10 Mar 2020	Elective Home Education for Children with SEND	Item follows the resolution from the 5th March 2019 Children's Select Committee:  "To receive further data and analysis in 12 months on children with SEND receiving Elective Home Education."	Lucy Townsend (Director - Family and Children)	Cabinet Member for Children, Education and Skills	Jen Salter
10 Mar 2020	Families and Children's Transformation Programme: Impact and Outcomes for Young People	To receive the item following the resolution from the 5th March 2019 Children's Select Committee:  "To receive a report in 12 months on the impact of the programme on the outcomes for young people in Wiltshire"	Lucy Townsend (Director - Family and Children)	Cabinet Member for Children, Education and Skills	Theresa Leavy

