

# **AGENDA**

Meeting: Children's Select Committee

Place: Council Chamber - Council Offices, Monkton Park, Chippenham,

**SN15 1ER** 

Date: Tuesday 15 March 2022

Time: 10.30 am

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Cllr Trevor Carbin Cllr Jack Oatley

Cllr Daniel Cave Cllr Sam Pearce-Kearney

Cllr Adrian Foster Cllr Martin Smith Cllr Johnny Kidney Cllr Iain Wallis

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

Dr Mike Thompson Clifton Diocesan RC Representative

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

Nikki Barnett Further Education Representative

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## **AGENDA**

#### **PART I**

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

#### 1 Apologies

To receive any apologies or substitutions for the meeting.

### 2 Minutes of the Previous Meeting (Pages 9 - 18)

To approve and sign the minutes of the previous meeting held on 19 January 2022.

#### 3 Declarations of Interest

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

#### 4 Chairman's Announcements

To receive any announcements through the Chairman.

## 5 **Public Participation**

The Council welcomes contributions from members of the public.

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#### Questions

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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.

## 6 Covid-19 update

To receive a verbal update from Directors on the Council's current situation for

services within the remit of the committee with regards to the impact of, and recovery from, the Covid-19 pandemic.

## 7 Regular updates

Updates on information valuable for the committee, but unlikely to require a decision.

Members of the committee are therefore invited to indicate in advance of the meeting if they would like further information or have questions on these regular updates, so that relevant officers can be invited to attend the meeting.

## 7a **Update from Wiltshire Youth Voice Representative**

An update including a summary of recent activities of the Wiltshire Youth Union (WYU) and Children in Care Council (CiCC).

#### 7b **School Ofsted Judgements** (Pages 19 - 24)

An update including information regarding the most recent Ofsted Inspection reports, presenting an ongoing view of the effectiveness of schools as seen by Ofsted Inspection.

7c **DfE Changes - Update from Department for Education** (Pages 25 - 30)

An update on developments relating to children's services arising from the Department for Education.

### 8 Corporate Parenting Panel Bi-annual report

The Children's Select Committee receives two reports a year from the Corporate Parenting Panel: the draft Annual Report and a 6-month update.

The 6-month update report, providing information on the progress made against each of the strategic priorities of the Corporate Parenting Panel, will be reviewed at this meeting.

The committee is asked to note the report from the Corporate Parenting Panel and include the draft full annual report in its forward work programme for September 2022.

# 9 Executive response to the Rapid Scrutiny on Provision of Accommodation for Young People at Transition Time - Gap Analysis (Pages 31 - 34)

The final report of the Rapid Scrutiny on Provision of Accommodation for Young People at Transition Time – Gap Analysis was considered by the committee at its last meeting (can be accessed <a href="https://example.com/here">here</a>).

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

# 10 Executive response to the Standing Task Group report on Traded Services (Pages 35 - 40)

The findings of the Standing Task Group on Traded Services were considered by the committee at its last meeting (can be accessed <a href="here">here</a>).

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

## 11 Overview and Scrutiny Activities Updates (Pages 41 - 44)

The committee will receive updates from active Task Groups, Rapid Scrutiny exercises 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.

## 12 Forward Work Programme (Pages 45 - 58)

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.

#### 13 Urgent Items

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

The next item on the agenda will be considered at 12.00noon. There may be a short comfort break, depending on time available.

## 14 **Getting to Outstanding** (Pages 59 - 62)

The committee received a verbal update on the council's strategy to achieve an Ofsted's Outstanding rating at its meeting on 7 September 2022. The full minutes can be accessed <a href="here">here</a>.

This was followed, at the committee's meeting on 4 November, by a report on plans and progress to date, including the four strands of work detailed at the previous meeting:

- Self-assessment.
- Service development.
- Roadmap to excellence.
- Line-of-sight.

At its November meeting the committee resolved to receive an update on the progress made, which is presented at this meeting, and to consider how Overview and Scrutiny can best add value to the process and the four strands of work focused on.

An Ofsted focused visit took place on 24 and 25 January 2022 looking at the council's arrangements for care leavers. A letter summarising the findings of the focused visit is included with this agenda.

## 15 Date of Next Meeting

To note that the next scheduled meeting is due to be held on Wednesday 8 June 2022 at County Hall, Trowbridge, starting at 10.30am.

## **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

None