AGENDA

Meeting: Children's Select Committee
Place: The Kennet Room - County Hall, Trowbridge BA14 8JN
Date: Tuesday 31 May 2016
Time: 2.30 pm

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Membership:
- Cllr Jon Hubbard (Chairman)
- Cllr Jacqui Lay (Vice Chairman)
- Cllr Pat Aves
- Cllr Mary Champion
- Cllr Mary Douglas
- Cllr Sue Evans
- Cllr Chris Hurst
- Cllr Atiqul Hoque
- Cllr Simon Jacobs
- Cllr Helen Osborn
- Cllr Ricky Rogers
- Cllr James Sheppard
- Cllr Philip Whalley

Substitutes:
- Cllr Dennis Drewett
- Cllr Andrew Davis
- Cllr Ian Thorn
- Cllr Terry Chivers
- Cllr John Walsh
- Cllr Stewart Dobson
- Cllr Chuck Berry
- Cllr Trevor Carbin
- Cllr Bill Moss
- Cllr Peter Edge

Non-Elected Voting Members:
- Mr Ken Brough Parent Governor Representative (Primary)
- Rev Alice Kemp Parent Governor Representative (SEN)
- Dr Mike Thompson Clifton Diocesan RC Representative
- Mrs Lynne Swainston Bristol Diocesan Church of England Representative
Non-Elected Non-Voting Members:
Miss Sarah Busby  Secondary Schools Headteacher Representative
Miss Tracy Cornelius Primary Schools Headteacher Representative
Mr John Hawkins  School Teacher Representative
Miss Cathy Shahrokni Further Education Representative
James Wilkins   Children & Young People’s Representative

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PART I

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

1. **Election of Chairman**
   To elect a Chairman for the ensuing year.

2. **Election of Vice-Chairman**
   To elect a Vice-Chairman for the ensuing year.

3. **Membership and Apologies**
   To note any changes of membership following the Annual Meeting of Council on 10 May 2016.
   To receive any apologies or substitutions for the meeting.

4. **Minutes of the Previous Meeting (Pages 7 - 16)**
   To approve and sign the minutes of the previous meeting held on 22 March 2016.

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 above 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 above (acting on behalf of the Corporate Director) no later than 5pm on **Monday 23 May 2016**. Please contact the officer named on the first page 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 **DfE Changes - Update from Department for Education** *(Pages 17 - 22)*

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

9 **Adoption West Update**

To receive a verbal update regarding regional progress with Adoption West.

10 **Re-commissioning Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services (CAMHS)** *(Pages 23 - 62)*

Primary and Specialist Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services (CAMHS) in Wiltshire are provided by Oxford Health NHS Foundation Trust under separate but linked contracts.

Wiltshire Council funds and holds the contract for Primary CAMHS which provides interventions and treatment for children and young people assessed as having mild to moderate mental health needs.

Both contracts commenced in April 2009 and are due to expire in March 2017. Consequently, a re-commissioning process needs to be agreed to ensure the continuity of a safe and effective Child and Adolescent Mental Health Service to meet the needs of Wiltshire’s children and young people from 1 April 2017.

At the 17 May 2016 meeting of Cabinet the attached reports and appendices were considered and agreed. The relevant draft minute extract from the meeting of Cabinet is included for information.

The Committee is asked to consider the resolutions of Cabinet and discuss possible input into the development of the new service model.

11 **Pupil Performance in Public Tests and Examinations 2015** *(Pages 63 - 68)*

At the 26 January 2016 meeting of the Children's Select Committee members received a report detailing Pupil Performance in Public Tests and Examinations for the 2014/2015 academic year.

As requested by the Committee updated results reflecting the attainment of students aged 16-19 at the end of advanced (level 3) study in the 2015 academic year are included in this agenda for consideration.

12 **Early Help Strategy Task Group** *(Pages 69 - 80)*

At the Children's Select Committee meeting on 14 April 2015 the Committee endorsed the report of the Early Help Strategy Task Group, which advised the Committee of whether the current data set was a suitable mechanism for
monitoring the delivery of the Early Help Strategy, whether it met the task
group’s initial recommendations and how it could monitor the implementation of
the Early Help Strategy going forward.

The Committee resolved to endorse the report and its recommendations,
including the following recommendation from the Data Set review in January
and March 2015:

18 Scrutiny should review the data set again in 12 months to understand the
developments that have taken place and assure itself that that data set is
still fit for purpose.

In line with the above recommendation the latest version of the data set has
been included with this agenda. The Committee is asked to consider whether
the data set is fit for purpose.

Executive Response to the Final Report of the Obesity and Child Poverty
Task Group (Pages 81 - 86)

On 22 March 2016 the Children’s Select Committee endorsed the Final Report
of the Obesity and Child Poverty Task Group. The Committee resolved to refer
the following Task Group’s recommendations to the relevant Cabinet members
for response at the Committee’s next meeting and to the Health Select
Committee on 21 June 2016.

The response of the relevant Cabinet Members to the task group’s final report is
attached to this agenda for consideration.

Executive Response to the Final Report of the Children’s Community
Health Services Rapid Scrutiny Exercise (Pages 87 - 92)

On 22 March 2016 the Children's Select Committee endorsed the Final Report
of the Children's Community Services Rapid Scrutiny Exercise. The Committee
resolved to refer the report’s recommendations to the relevant Cabinet member
for response at the Committee’s next meeting.

The response of the Cabinet Member for Children’s Services to the Final Report
of the Rapid Scrutiny Exercise is attached to this agenda for consideration.

Academisation Task Group (Pages 93 - 96)

On 10 May 2016 Council received a Motion from Councillors Jon Hubbard and
Glenis Ansell entitled ‘Forced Academisation of Schools’. As a result of recent
announcements from central government on planned academisation, the motion
was replaced with the following referral:

To refer the motion to Scrutiny, to suggest a working group investigate with the
executive on options for Wiltshire Council to explore what routes are available to
continue to support schools, such as county wide multi academy trusts or other
options.
The original motion as submitted is attached for information.

On Tuesday 24th May 2016 the Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee will be asked to endorse the referred motion and refer to the Children's Select Committee for further discussion and scoping.

Members are asked to discuss the motion in the light of the of the Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee’s resolutions.

16 Task Group Updates (Pages 97 - 100)

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

17 Forward Work Programme (Pages 101 - 104)

The Committee is asked to note the attached document showing the relevant items from the overview and scrutiny forward work programme plus relevant items on the current Cabinet work programme.

18 Date of Next Meeting

To note that the next scheduled meeting is due to be held on Tuesday 26 July 2016 at County Hall, Trowbridge, starting at 10.30am.

There will be an additional meeting to consider the Government’s White Paper Educational Excellence Everywhere on Tuesday 21 June 2016, starting at 2.30pm.

19 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

None