

Notice of Meeting

Children, Families, Lifelong Learning & Culture Select Committee

**Date & time**

Wednesday, 20
January 2021 at
10.00 am

Place

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Independent Representatives:

Mr Simon Parr (Diocesan Representative for the Catholic Church), Mrs Tanya Quddus (Parent Governor Representative) and Mr Alex Tear (Diocesan Representative for the Anglican Church, Diocese of Guildford)

TERMS OF REFERENCE

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Children's Services (including safeguarding)
Early Help
Corporate Parenting
Education
Special needs and/or Disabilities
Adult Learning
Apprenticeships
Libraries, Arts and Heritage
Voluntary Sector

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AGENDA

- 7 EDUCATION AND CAREERS SUPPORT FOR VULNERABLE YOUNG PEOPLE** (Pages 3 - 4)

Purpose of the report:

To provide the Select Committee with information regarding the education and careers support that is available for vulnerable young people in Surrey, including the current priorities for increasing vulnerable learners' participation in education, employment and training.

**Joanna Killian
Chief Executive**

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Annex 1**Case Study from the Year 11/12 Transition Service****Feedback from a young person**

'Hi XX,

I was going to do this via text. So I'm hoping it still finds you well. I have been meaning to update you on my progress for a very long time, I apologise for it taking so long.

Without your help- especially with the train pass to XX College, I don't think I would be where I am today. I certainly couldn't afford it, nor could my parents, and without it I would have had to transfer to a college that I didn't want to go to, or dropped out of post-18 education altogether. Not long after we last were in contact, I was referred by my GP for an autism diagnosis, which if you remember some of the problems I had at school- will come as little surprise. It has been a long tiresome experience, but I'm making the best of it all.

I was finally diagnosed in XX, and have gone onto document my experiences with this and my mental health on This started my writing career all in XX.. I now also run a blog, write fiction, non-fiction, and am trying to get into helping other disabled people.

All of this would not have been possible without your support in the earlier years. And I am so grateful, and never quite know how best to word it. Even with my vast vocabulary.

I'm now studying at XX University. I take XX, (I recently transferred to this course from XX, so I could work on a broader range of study).

I think overall- looking backyou were probably the first person in my life to teach me to stand up for myself when it came to my needs. I do this everyday that I am able, and I'm now trying to pass that message onto others in the work that I do. It's a message that was continued at college by my autism mentor, and now too by my new autism mentor, as well as my partner, and the positive people I keep as loved ones in my private time.

So thank you again, for having such a positive influence on my life. It hasn't always been easy, it is at times in fact ludicrously difficult, but it's things like this- and the people that helped me fight that keep me trying.'

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