

Notice of Meeting

Children & Education Select Committee



Date & time
Thursday, 27 March
2014 at 10.00 am

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Elected Members

Mrs Liz Bowes, Mr Ben Carasco, Mr Robert Evans, Mr Denis Fuller (Vice-Chairman), Dr Zully Grant-Duff (Chairman), Mr Ken Gulati, Mr Colin Kemp, Mrs Stella Lallement, Mrs Mary Lewis, Mrs Marsha Moseley, Mr Chris Townsend and Miss Marisa Heath

Independent Representatives:

Cecile White (Parent Governor Representative), Duncan Hewson (Parent Governor Representative), Derek Holbird (Diocesan Representative for the Anglican Church) and Mary Reynolds (Diocesan Representative for the Catholic Church)

TERMS OF REFERENCE

The Committee is responsible for the following areas:

Children's Services (including Looked after children, Fostering, Adoption, Child Protection, Children with disabilities, and Transition)

Schools and Learning

Services for Young People (including Surrey Youth Support Service)

AGENDA

1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND SUBSTITUTIONS

2 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING: 27 JANUARY 2014

(Pages 1
- 10)

To agree the minutes as a true record of the meeting.

3 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

To receive any declarations of disclosable pecuniary interests from Members in respect of any item to be considered at the meeting.

Notes:

- In line with the Relevant Authorities (Disclosable Pecuniary Interests) Regulations 2012, declarations may relate to the interest of the member, or the member's spouse or civil partner, or a person with whom the member is living as husband or wife, or a person with whom the member is living as if they were civil partners and the member is aware they have the interest.
- Members need only disclose interests not currently listed on the Register of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests.
- Members must notify the Monitoring Officer of any interests disclosed at the meeting so they may be added to the Register.
- Members are reminded that they must not participate in any item where they have a disclosable pecuniary interest.

4 QUESTIONS AND PETITIONS

To receive any questions or petitions.

Notes:

1. The deadline for Member's questions is 12.00pm four working days before the meeting (21 March 2014).
2. The deadline for public questions is seven days before the meeting (22 March 2014).
3. The deadline for petitions was 14 days before the meeting, and no petitions have been received.

5 RESPONSES FROM THE CABINET TO ISSUES REFERRED BY THE SELECT COMMITTEE

The Committee made no recommendations to Cabinet at its last meeting, so There are no responses to report.

6 CHAIRMAN'S INTRODUCTION

The Committee will use the meeting to explore how Surrey schools and the Council work to reduce the attainment gap in Surrey. Areas the Committee has previously wished to explore include:

- How can the attainment gap in Surrey (5+ A*-C including English and Mathematics) be improved?
- How is the School Improvement Programme helping to narrow the gap?

- How different are schools using the pupil premium and what impact it is having on outcomes for disadvantaged pupils?

Why scrutinise this area?

- During 2012/13 the Education Select Committee identified that the attainment gap in Surrey was larger than many comparative authorities.
- Investing in support to schools to further improve the attainment of pupils, especially those from vulnerable groups is a priority of the Council's Children and Young People Plan.

The Committee will also be considering Home to School Transport, specifically the outcome of the public consultation, and the use of Personal Education Plans for Children in care.

7	EDUCATION & ACHIEVEMENT PLAN	To Follow
8	EDUCATION PERFORMANCE & SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT STRATEGY	(Pages 11 - 64)
	Purpose of the report: Scrutiny of Services and Budgets/Performance Management	
	The aim of this item is to share the performance outcomes for all key stages for the academic year ending in the summer of 2013 including analysis of the performance of disadvantaged pupils.	
	In addition, it also includes an update on the Surrey School Improvement Strategy and in particular the strategy for raising the achievement of disadvantaged pupils.	
9	HOME TO SCHOOL TRANSPORT CONSULTATION	(Pages 65 - 120)
	Purpose of the report: Policy Development and Review	
	To consider the outcome of the consultation on Surrey's Home to School Transport policy	
10	PERSONAL EDUCATION PLANS	(Pages 121 - 126)
	Purpose of the report: Scrutiny of Services	
	To respond to a request for more information on Personal Education Plans for Children in Care.	
11	RECOMMENDATION TRACKER AND FORWARD WORK PROGRAMME	(Pages 127 - 138)
	The Committee is asked to monitor progress on the implementation of recommendations from previous meetings, and to review its Forward Work Programme.	
12	DATE OF NEXT MEETING	
	The next meeting of the Committee will be held at 10am on 14 May 2014.	

David McNulty
Chief Executive

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