

Notice of Meeting

Children, Families, Lifelong Learning and Culture Select Committee

**Date & time**

Tuesday, 4 October
2022 at 10.00 am

Place

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Elected Members

Liz Bowes (Chairman), Fiona Davidson (Guildford South-East), Jonathan Essex, Rebecca Jennings-Evans (Lightwater, West End and Bisley), Rachael Lake, Michaela Martin, Lesley Steeds, Mark Sugden, Liz Townsend, Chris Townsend (Vice-Chairman), Jeremy Webster (Vice-Chairman) and Fiona White (Guildford West)

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

The Committee is responsible for the following areas:

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

AGENDA

1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND SUBSTITUTIONS

2 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING: 6 JULY 2022

(Pages 7
- 20)

To agree the minutes of the previous meeting of the Children, Families, Lifelong Learning and Culture as a true and accurate record of proceedings.

3 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

All Members present are required to declare, at this point in the meeting or as soon as possible thereafter:

- I. Any disclosable pecuniary interests and / or
- II. Other interests arising under the Code of Conduct in respect of any item(s) of business being considered at this meeting

NOTES:

- Members are reminded that they must not participate in any item where they have a disclosable pecuniary interest
- As well as an interest of the Member, this includes any interest, of which the Member is aware, that relates to the Member's spouse or civil partner (or any person with whom the Member is living as a spouse or civil partner)
- Members with a significant personal interest may participate in the discussion and vote on that matter unless that interest could be reasonably regarded as prejudicial.

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 (*19 June 2020*).
2. The deadline for public questions is seven days before the meeting (*18 June 2020*)
3. The deadline for petitions was 14 days before the meeting, and no petitions have been received.

The public retain their right to submit questions for written response, with such answers recorded in the minutes of the meeting; questioners may participate in meetings to ask a supplementary question. Petitioners may address the Committee on their petition for up to three minutes Guidance will be made available to any member of the public wishing to speak at a

meeting.

5 SPECIAL EDUCATIONAL NEEDS AND DISABILITIES STRATEGY

(Pages
21 - 32)

Purpose of the report:

To provide the Children, Families, Lifelong Learning and Culture Select Committee with a progress update on the Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) self-evaluation and strategy (which is being taken forward as the Additional Needs and Disabilities Strategy, in line with feedback outlined below), including an assessment of current performance, recent progress and next steps.

6 FAMILY CENTRES

(Pages
33 - 44)

Purpose of the report:

To review the Family Centre model of providing support to families, including usage, outcomes for service users and impact data of the new provision.

7 CHILDREN'S SOCIAL CARE WORKFORCE STRATEGY / RECRUITMENT & RETENTION UPDATE

(Pages
45 - 72)

Purpose of the report:

This report provides an update on the Recruitment, Retention & Culture Programme, its aims, scope, activity so far this year and the priorities going forward. The Children's Social Care Workforce Strategy has recently been developed and is included in this report along with an initial thematic analysis of recent exit survey responses. An update on recruitment and retention of children's social care staff with key performance information has been included as well.

8 SURREY HOMES FOR SURREY CHILDREN: A STRATEGIC APPROACH TO GROWING CAPACITY IN CHILDREN'S HOMES IN SURREY

(Pages
73 - 88)

Purpose of the report:

To consider a proposed approach to developing the capacity of children's homes in Surrey to enable the longer-term ambitions of the Council's Looked After Children and Care Leaver Sufficiency Strategy 2020-2025, ahead of formal proposals being considered by Surrey County Council's Cabinet later in 2022.

9 EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC

Purpose of the item:

That under Section 100(A) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information under the relevant paragraphs of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act.

10 LEARNINGS FROM THE REVIEW INTO THE EVENTS LEADING TO THE CLOSURE OF A CHILDREN'S HOME: IMPROVEMENT PLAN

(Pages
89 - 96)

Purpose of the report:

This Part 2 report contains information which is exempt from Access to Information requirements by virtue of paragraphs 1 and 2 – information relating to any individual and information which is likely to reveal the identity of an individual.

Confidential: Not for publication under Paragraph 1, 2

Information relating to any individual.

Information which is likely to reveal the identity of an individual.

11 PUBLICITY OF PART TWO ITEMS

Purpose of the item:

To consider whether the item considered under Part 2 of the agenda should be made available to the Press and public.

12 ACTIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS TRACKER AND FORWARD WORK PLAN

(Pages
97 - 116)

For the Select Committee to review the attached actions and recommendations tracker and forward work programme, making suggestions or amendments as appropriate.

13 DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING

The next public meeting of the Select Committee will be held on Thursday, 15 December 2022.

Joanna Killian
Chief Executive
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