

# Buckinghamshire County Council Select Committee

Education, Skills and Children's Services

Date: Tuesday 25 March 2014

**Time:** 10.00 am

Venue: Mezzanine Room 2, County Hall, Aylesbury

# **AGENDA**

# 9.30 am Pre-meeting Discussion

This session is for members of the Committee only. It is to allow the members time to discuss lines of questioning, areas for discussion and what needs to be achieved during the meeting.

# 10.00 am Formal Meeting Begins

be agreed as a correct record.

Agenda Item		Time	Page No
1	APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE	10.00	
2	DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST To declare any Personal or Dislosable Pecuniary Interests.		
3	MINUTES The minutes of the meeting held on 18 <sup>th</sup> February 2014 to		1 - 12





#### 4 PUBLIC QUESTIONS

10.01

Public Questions is an opportunity for people who live, work or study in the county to put a question to a Scrutiny Committee about any issue that has an impact on their local community or the county as a whole.

Member of public, who have given prior notice, will be invited to put their question in person.

The Cabinet Member and responsible officers will then be invited to respond.

Further information and details on how to register can be found through the following link and by then clicking on 'Public Questions'.

http://democracy.buckscc.gov.uk/mgCommitteeDetails.aspx?ID=788

# 5 CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

10.16

For the chairman of the Committee to provide an update to the Committee on recent scrutiny related activity.

#### 6 COMMITTEE MEMBER UPDATES

10.25

For members of the Committee to update the Committee on any issue they are investigating on behalf of the Committee.

# 7 PERSONAL, SOCIAL, HEALTH AND ECONOMIC (PSHE) EDUCATION IN BUCKINGHAMSHIRE

10.30

13 - 22

A review of the delivery of Personal, Social, Health and Economic (PSHE) education in Buckinghamshire.

#### **Contributors**

Mr Mike Appleyard – Cabinet Member for Education and Skills Bill Moore – School Improvement Advisor – The Bucks Learning Trust Members of the Buckinghamshire Youth Parliament

#### **Papers**

A report on the delivery of Personal, Social, Health and Economic (PSHE) education in Buckinghamshire, including a summary of the requirements of the curriculum, the areas for local discretion, any guidance from the local authority / BLT on this and any areas for development, including, specifically, young people's work readiness.

# <u>Appendix</u>

A report of the Buckinghamshire Youth Parliament on PSHE (Physical, Social, Health and Economic) Education.

# 8 FAMILIES FIRST

11.15 23 - 30

A review of the progress of the Families First programme (Buckinghamshire's response to the "Troubled Families

initiative).

#### **Contributors**

Mrs Angela Macpherson – Cabinet Member for Children's Services

Stephen Bagnall - Service Director - Child & Family Service Joy Shakespeare – Head of Family Resilience

# **Papers**

A report on the Families First programme, Buckinghamshire's response to the Troubled Families initiative.

9 FOSTERING 11.35 31 - 40

A review of the arrangements, policies, and procedures for adoption and outcomes for children, young people and families.

#### **Contributors**

Mrs Angela Macpherson – Cabinet Member for Children's Services;

Stephen Bagnall - Service Director - Child & Family Service Steve Tanner – Head of Children's Care

#### **Papers**

A report on the arrangements, policies, and procedures for adoption and outcomes for children, young people and families.

10 ADOPTION 11.55 41 - 50

A review of the arrangements, policies, and procedures for fostering and outcomes for children, young people and families.

# **Contributors**

Mrs Angela Macpherson – Cabinet Member for Children's Services

Stephen Bagnall - Service Director - Child & Family Service.

Steve Tanner - Head of Children's Care

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A report on arrangements, policies, and procedures for adoption and outcomes for children, young people and families.

#### 11 THE MUNRO PROGRAMME

12.15

Questions to the Cabinet Member for Children's Services on the work and progress of the Munro Programme.

#### **Contributors**

Mrs Angela Macpherson – Cabinet Member for Children's Services Stephen Bagnall - Service Director - Child & Family Service

To consider and agree the updated Education, Skills and Children's Services Select Committee Work Programme 2013 - 2014.

#### **Contributors**

Councillor Mrs Val Letheren – Chairman of the Committee Michael Carr– Scrutiny Policy Officer, Policy, Performance and Communications

#### **Papers**

**Appendix 1:** The detailed Education, Skills and Children's Services Work Programme 2013-2014 and Committee Agenda Plan, from 18<sup>th</sup> February 2014.

# 13 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

12.30

To note the next meeting of the Education, Skills and Children's Services Select Committee on **22**<sup>nd</sup> **April 2014**, 10am, Mezz room 2, County Hall, Aylesbury, Buckinghamshire.

# Purpose of the committee

The Education, Skills and Children's Services Select Committee shall carry out the local authority scrutiny functions for all policies and services relating to education and learning and children and young people, including: Nurseries and early years education; Schools and further education; The Bucks Learning Trust; Quality standards and performance in education; Special Educational Needs (SEN); Learning and skills; Culture and learning; Adult learning; Children and family services; Early intervention; Child protection, safeguarding and prevention; Children in care (looked after children); Children's psychology; Children's partnerships; Youth provision; The Youth Offending Service; Libraries; The County Museum; and Registrars.

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#### **Members**

Mr C Adams Mrs W Mallen
Mrs M Aston Mr M Shaw
Mr J Chilver Mr R Stuchbury
Mr D Dhillon (VC) Ms R Vigor-Hedderly

Mr P Irwin Ms K Wood

Mrs V Letheren (C)

# **Co-opted Members**

Mr D Babb, Church of England Representative Ms R Burchell, Secondary School Sector Mr M Moore, Roman Catholic Church Ms M Nowers, Primary School Sector