

Buckinghamshire County Council Select Committee

Education, Skills and Children's Services

Date: Tuesday 7 October 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

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- 1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE
- 2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

To declare any Personal or Disclosable Pecuniary Interests.

3 MINUTES 7 - 16

Minutes of the meeting held on 8 September 2014.





4 PUBLIC QUESTIONS

10.05am

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

10.20am

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

6 COMMITTEE MEMBER UPDATES

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

7 QUESTIONS TO THE CABINET MEMBER FOR CHILDREN'S SERVICES

10.25am

Questions to the Cabinet Member for Children's Services on any matters within her portfolio.

Contributors

Mrs Angela Macpherson, Cabinet Member for Children's Services

Mr David Johnston – Service Director, Children & Family Service

8 CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE'S SERVICE PORTFOLIO PLAN

10.40am 17 - 40

Questions to the Cabinet Member for Children's Services and chief officers on the Children and Young People Services Portfolio Plan 2014-15.

Contributors

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Mr David Johnston – Service Director, Children & Family Service

Papers

Children and Young People's Services Portfolio Plan 2014-15

9 UPDATE ON THE CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE'S PLAN

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Contributors

Mrs Angela Macpherson, Cabinet Member for Children's Services

Mr Ed Mallam - Head of Children's Partnerships

Mr David Johnston – Service Director, Children & Family Service

Papers

The Children and Young People's Plan 2014-18

10 PERFORMANCE REPORTS - CHILDREN'S SERVICES PORTFOLIO - QUARTER 1

11.10am 47 - 68

Questions to the Cabinet Member for Children's Services and chief officers on Children's Services performance for the first quarter 2014-2015.

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Mrs Angela Macpherson, Cabinet Member for Children's Services

Mr David Johnston – Service Director, Children & Family Service

Mr Ed Mallam - Head of Children's Partnerships

Papers

Quarter 1 Portfolio Performance Report

11 EDUCATION, SKILLS AND CHILDREN'S SERVICES SELECT COMMITTEE WORK PROGRAMME 2014-15

11.25am

To Follow

Members will review and plan the Committee's Work Programme.

Contributors

Mrs Val Letheren – Chairman of the ESCS Select Committee

Mr Michael Carr – Scrutiny Policy Officer

Papers

Draft Committee Work Programme

12 CHILDREN'S SERVICES DRAFT IMPROVEMENT PLAN

11.30am

To Follow

Questions to the Cabinet Member for Children's Services

and Chief Officers on the Draft Children's Services Improvement Plan of the Local Authority and of the Buckinghamshire Local Safeguarding Children Board.

Contributors

Mrs Angela Macpherson, Cabinet Member for Children's Services

Mr Trevor Boyd – Strategic Director, Children and Young People

Mr David Johnston – Service Director, Children & Family Service

Papers

Buckinghamshire County Council Draft Children's Services Improvement Plan (confidential)

13 BUCKINGHAMSHIRE SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN BOARD

Questions to the Chairman of the Buckinghamshire Safeguarding Children Board on the Draft BSCB Improvement Plan (confidential)

Contributors

Mr Donald McPhail, Chairman of the Buckinghamshire Children's Safeguarding Board.

Mrs Angela MacPherson – Cabinet Member for Children's Services

Trevor Boyd Strategic Director Children and Young People David Johnston – Service Director Children and Family Service

14 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

To note the next meeting of the Education, Skills and Children's Services Select Committee on Tuesday 4th November 2014 at 10am in Mezzanine Room 2

15 EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

To resolve to exclude the press and public as the following item is exempt by virtue of Paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12a of the Local Government Act 1972 because it contains information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information):-

Item 12 - Children's Services Draft Improvement Plan (to follow)

Item 13 – Buckinghamshire Safeguarding Children's Board (to follow)

12.30pm To Follow

1.30pm

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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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Mr D Dhillon (VC) Mr R Stuchbury
Mr P Gomm Mr D Watson
Mr P Irwin Ms K Wood

Mrs V Letheren (C)

Co-opted Members

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