



Buckinghamshire County Council
Select Committee
Children's Social Care and Learning

Date: Friday 5 June 2015

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

Agenda Item	Time	Page No
1 ELECTION OF COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN		
2 APPOINTMENT OF VICE-CHAIRMAN		
3 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE		
4 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST To declare any Personal or Dislosable Pecuniary Interests.		
5 MINUTES Minutes of the meeting held on 7 th April 2015.		7 - 10
6 PUBLIC QUESTIONS		



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| 7 | CHAIRMAN'S REPORT
For the chairman of the Committee to provide an update to the Committee on recent scrutiny related activity. | 10:10 | |
| 8 | COMMITTEE MEMBER UPDATES
For members of the Committee to update the Committee on any issue they are investigating on behalf of the Committee. | | |
| 9 | IMPROVING CHILDREN'S SOCIAL CARE INQUIRY -
REPORT OF THE SELECT COMMITTEE
To agree the Select Committee's report recording its scrutiny of the Children's Services Improvement Programme (Sept 14-March 2015).

Contributors:
Mr Reece Bowman - Committee Adviser
Mr Maurice Emberson - Expert Adviser | | 11 - 28 |
| 10 | CHILDREN'S SERVICE IMPROVEMENT PROGRAMME
UPDATE REPORT
A report to update the committee on progress of implementation of the Children's Services Improvement Plan (all workstreams).

Contributors:
Ms Lin Hazell – Cabinet Member for Children's Services
Mr David Johnston – Managing Director Children's Social Care and Learning
Mr John Goldup – Chair, Improvement Board | 10:20 | 29 - 36 |
| 11 | EDUCATIONAL STANDARDS IN BUCKINGHAMSHIRE
For the Committee to consider a report on educational attainment across the County. | 11:20 | 37 - 76 |

Contributors:

Mr Zahir Mohammed - Cabinet Member for Education and Skills
Ms Atifa Sayani – Education Champion
Ms Pauline Cue – Data team
Ms Louise Goll – Interim Director of Education
Ms Amanda Taylor-Hopkins – Director of Education – Bucks Learning Trust

12 NARROWING THE GAP 11:50 77 - 86

For the Committee to receive a 12 month update and to ask questions on the implementation of the Narrowing the Gap Select Committee Inquiry agreed recommendations. Cabinet provided its initial response to the recommendations on [17th March 2014](#).

For members to make an assessment of progress against recommendations based on the update and questioning of the Cabinet Member and to highlight the completion status of each of the recommendations.

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Mr Zahir Mohammed - Cabinet Member for Education and Skills
Ms Atifa Sayani – Education Champion – Bucks Learning Trust
Ms Amanda Taylor-Hopkins - Director of Education - Bucks Learning Trust

13 EDUCATIONAL SUPPORT FOR SERVICE CHILDREN 12:20 87 - 108

A report to update the committee on the provision of educational support for service children in Buckinghamshire.

Contributors:

Mr Zahir Mohammed - Cabinet Member for Education and Skills
Mr Ed Mallam - Head of Children's Partnerships
Mr Rob Beadel
Ms Joy O'Neill

14 CHILDREN'S SOCIAL CARE & LEARNING SELECT COMMITTEE WORK PROGRAMME 109 - 112

To discuss and agree the work programme.

15 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

To note the next meeting of the Education, Skills and Children's Services Select Committee on 22nd September 2015.

16 EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

To resolve to exclude the press and public as the following item is exempt by virtue of Paragraph 1 of Part 1 of Schedule 12a of the Local Government Act 1972 because it contains information relating to an individual

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| 17 | CHILD SEXUAL EXPLOITATION MEMBER BRIEFING
To receive the briefing of the Managing Director Children's Social Care and Learning. | 12:50 | 113 - 120 |
| 18 | INCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC
To resolve to reopen the meeting to the press and public. | | |
| 19 | TO AGREE THE SCOPE OF THE PREVENTING CHILD SEXUAL EXPLOITATION INQUIRY
Members to discuss and agree the scope of the Preventing Child Sexual Exploitation Inquiry. | | 121 - 124 |

Purpose of the committee

The role of the Children's Social Care and Learning Select Committee is to hold decision-makers to account for improving outcomes and services for Buckinghamshire.

The Children's Social Care and Learning Select Committee shall have the power to scrutinise all issues in relation to the remit of the Children's Social Care and Learning Business Unit. This will include, but not exclusively, responsibility for scrutinising issues in relation to:

- 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
- 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

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