

Buckinghamshire County Council Select Committee

Children's Social Care and Learning

Date: Tuesday 18 July 2017

Time: 10.00 am

Venue: Mezzanine Room 1, 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/CHANGES IN 10:00

MEMBERSHIP

2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST
To declare any Personal or Disclosable Pecuniary Interests.

3 MINUTES 5 - 14

MINUTES

To agree the minutes of the meeting held on 21st March

2017 and 23rd May 2017 as a correct record.

4 CHAIRMAN'S WELCOME

5 CABINET MEMBER FOR EDUCATION AND SKILLS - 10:05 QUESTION TIME

An opportunity for the Committee to ask the Cabinet Member for Education and Skills questions on their portfolio area.

Contributors:

Mr Mike Appleyard, Cabinet Member for Education and Skills

All Members of the Committee



6 GROWTH INQUIRY. IS THE COUNTY COUNCIL READY 10:30 FOR GROWTH?

Buckinghamshire will experience significant housing growth in the forthcoming decades which will be set out in the District Council Local Plans. This will have significant impact on the future demand for County Council Services.

As part of an Inquiry each of the County Council's four Select Committees are holding themed meetings during July 2017 to investigate whether the County Council is ready for growth. The outline scope for this piece of work was agreed by the Transport, Environment and Communities Select Committee on 21st March 2017 and the final scoping document is attached for information.

This item is an opportunity for the Children's Social Care and Learning Select Committee to consider Children's Services plans for managing growth and the opportunities, risks and impact of growth on services delivered by the Council's Children's Services business unit.

Officers attending from the Business Unit will undertake a short presentation for Members who will then have an opportunity to ask questions to gather evidence to inform the inquiry.

Contributors:

Mike Appleyard – Cabinet Member for Education and Skills

Gladys Rhodes White - Executive Director for Children's Services

Carol Douch – Service Director, Children's Social Care Debbie Munday – Admissions Manager, Education Paula Campbell-Balcombe – Commissioner (schools) Deborah Andrews – Finance Director

7 COMMITTEE WORK PROGRAMME

For the Committee to note the current work programme. The newly established Committee will be having a work programme workshop on the afternoon of 18th July and the current work programme will be used as a basis for discussions with an opportunity for Committee Members to add, remove, or amend items.

8 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on 5th September at 10.30am in Mezzanine Room 1, New County Hall, Aylesbury.

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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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Mrs W Mallen Ms K Wood

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Mrs M Aston
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Mr K Hamblin, Maintained Primary School Parent Governor Representative

Mr M Moore, Roman Catholic Church

