



Buckinghamshire County Council
Select Committee
Children's Select Committee

Date: Friday 24 January 2020

Time: 11.00 am (pre-meeting for Committee Members at 10.30am)

Venue: Mezzanine Room 1, County Hall, Aylesbury

AGENDA

10.30 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.

11.00 am Formal Meeting Begins

Agenda Item	Time	Page No
1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE	11:00	
2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST To declare any Personal or Disclosable Pecuniary Interests.		
3 MINUTES Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 27 th November 2019 to be agreed as a correct record.		7 - 16
4 PUBLIC QUESTIONS	11:05	



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Members of the 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.

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The following questions have been submitted by Mr V Nicholas.

(1) What timetable does the County consider to be most feasible for the re-opening of the secondary school in Burnham as a through school?

(2) In the short term - by the end of the Summer Term 2020 - what assets at the school can be made available for community use and by other key stakeholders?

Furthermore - what usage can be anticipated during the 2020/21 academic year?

We are all mindful that the School's Sports Hall was significantly funded by the local community Burnham Health Promotion Trust and the outdoor all-weather pitches are also a valuable community asset.

(3) What strategy and plans are being developed to develop post-16 and adult education in order to retrain and up-skill potential employees in such locations as Slough Estate and Heathrow Airport? Such provision was delivered on the existing site 30 to 40 years ago and it may now be timely to consider again such an initiative. We should also be mindful as to the benefit of collaboration with the Aspire initiative which is supported by SEGRO.

(4) Access and Egress to and from the existing site has always been problematic and the School's boundary in Stomp Road remains most unsatisfactory. What steps can be taken to ensure that this issue can be addressed in a constructive manner?

The following questions have been submitted by Mrs S Hodges.

- (1) What training is provided and recorded for Educational Health and Care Coordinators to ensure they are fully up to date with current legislation and statutory requirements for the EHC plan Assessment and subsequent implementation if necessary and how is this reviewed?
- (2) What training is provided to transport officers to ensure they are upto date with current statutory requirements and legislation? Too frequently incorrect information is cited.

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| 5 | CHAIRMAN'S REPORT
For the Chairman of the Committee to provide an update to the Committee on recent scrutiny related activity. | 11:25 | |
| 6 | CHILDREN'S SELECT COMMITTEE - A RETROSPECTIVE
An opportunity for members of the Committee to consider the work the Committee has undertaken over the last year and to discuss how this has contributed to driving improvements. The Committee will also be able to highlight specific issues that the new Unitary Council might want to monitor going forwards.

Contributors:
All Committee Members | 11:30 | 17 - 22 |
| 7 | BSCB ANNUAL REPORT - INFORMATION ITEM
For the Committee to receive, for information, the Buckinghamshire Safeguarding Children Board Annual report for 2018-19. | | 23 - 54 |
| 8 | FAMILY SUPPORT SERVICE UPDATE
For the Committee to receive an update on the Family Support Service which was launched in September 2019.

Contributors:
Mr G Morgan, Head of Early Help | 11:35 | 55 - 60 |
| 9 | CABINET MEMBER'S QUESTION TIME
For the Committee to ask Cabinet Members questions on current key issues for their portfolios.

I. Mrs A Cranmer, Cabinet Member for Education and Skills
II. Mr W Whyte, Cabinet Member for Children's Services | 12:00 | |

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| 10 | OFSTED MONITORING VISIT UPDATE
For the Committee to review and discuss the results of the Ofsted Monitoring visit which took place on 16 th and 17 th October 2019. | 12:20 | 61 - 70 |
| | Contributors:
Mr W Whyte, Cabinet Member for Children's Services
Mr T Vouyioukas, Executive Director, Children's Services
Mr R Nash, Service Director, Children's Social Care | | |
| 11 | IMPROVEMENT PLAN UPDATE
For the Committee to review and discuss the improvement plan. | 12:55 | 71 - 82 |
| | Contributors:
Mr W Whyte, Cabinet Member for Children's Services
Mr T Vouyioukas, Executive Director, Children's Services
Mr R Nash, Service Director, Children's Social Care | | |
| 12 | DATE OF NEXT MEETING
This is the final meeting of the Children's Select Committee. | 13:15 | |

Purpose of the committee

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

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

- Nurseries and early years education
- Schools and further education
- 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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