



# Buckinghamshire Council Children's & Education Select Committee

## Agenda

**Date:** Thursday 9 September 2021

**Time:** 2.00 pm

**Venue:** The Oculus, Buckinghamshire Council, Gatehouse Road, HP19 8FF - Aylesbury

**Membership:** P Birchley (Chairman), S Adoh, K Bates, D Blamires, A Collingwood, M Dormer, R Gaster, N Hussain, S James, C Jones, S Kayani, R Matthews, A Osibogun, D Summers and P Turner

Agenda Item	Time	Page No
1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE	14:00	
2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST		
3 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING The minutes of the meeting held on 24 <sup>th</sup> June 2021 be confirmed as a correct record.		3 - 6
4 PUBLIC QUESTIONS		
5 EMOTIONAL HEALTH IN SCHOOLS The Committee will consider a report outlining the significant amount of work undertaken in relation to the emotional health of Buckinghamshire's school pupils, particularly in the light of the Covid pandemic.  The report gives details of current issues, the profile of need, current work underway in schools and steps for the future.  Contributors: Richard Nash, Corporate Director Children's Services Simon James, Service Director Education Elizabeth Biggs, Public Health Principal Gareth Drawmer, Head of Achievement & Learning Dr Tim Jones, Principal Educational Psychologist	14:10	7 - 20
6 CLOSING THE ATTAINMENT GAP IN BUCKINGHAMSHIRE	15:10	21 - 28

The Committee will consider a report giving details of the current attainment gap in schools, the Buckinghamshire versus national levels; key actions to address the gap and the delivery plan for the next academic year.

Contributors:

Richard Nash, Corporate Director Children's Services  
Simon James, Service Director – Education  
Gareth Drawmer, Head of Achievement and Learning.

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| <b>7</b> | <b>WORK PROGRAMME 2021-2022</b>   | <b>16:00</b> | <b>29 - 34</b> |
|          | The Committee will consider the draft work programme for the municipal year 2021-2022. There will be an opportunity to discuss areas of the programme which might be considered for more detailed work. |              |                |
| <b>8</b> | <b>DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING</b>   |              |                |
|          | The next meeting of the Children's and Education Select Committee will be held on 11 <sup>th</sup> November 2021 at 2.00 p.m. at The Gateway, Buckinghamshire Council.                                  |              |                |

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