



Buckinghamshire Council Children's & Education Select Committee

Agenda

Date: Thursday 11 November 2021

Time: 2.00 pm

Venue: The Paralympic Room, Buckinghamshire Council, Gatehouse Road, HP19 8FF

Membership: Bull, Williams, Wilson, 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

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1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE		
2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST		
3 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING To confirm as a correct record the minutes of the previous meeting held on 9 th September 2021.		5 - 10
4 PUBLIC QUESTIONS The agenda item "Public Questions" is an opportunity for people who live, work or study in Buckinghamshire to put a question to a Select Committee. The Committee will hear from members of the public who have submitted questions in advance relating to items on the agenda. The Cabinet Member, relevant key partners and responsible officers will be invited to respond. Further information on how to register can be found here: https://www.buckinghamshire.gov.uk/your-council/getinvolved-with-council-decisions/select-committees/ One question has been received as attached and will be responded to at the meeting.	14:05	11 - 12
5 CHAIRMAN'S UPDATE	14:15	
6 SEND IMPROVEMENT JOURNEY The Committee will consider a report outlining the Council's SEND	14:20	13 - 28

Improvement Journey, setting the context of improvement in relation to the overarching SEND and Inclusion Strategy and the local SEND landscape. The report also details the improvement priorities and progress made against them as captured by the SEND Improvement Plan. Details of the governance structure ensuring oversight, scrutiny and challenge to the journey is also detailed in the report as is information relating to the Quality Care Commission/Ofsted SEND inspection that is expected within the next six months and activity underway in preparation for that inspection.

Contributors:

Richard Nash, Corporate Director – Children’s Services

Simon James, Service Director – Education

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| 7 | SEND EDUCATION SUFFICIENCY
The Committee will consider a report providing an overview of the issues relating to the sufficiency of educational placements for pupils with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities. It outlines the issues and headline data that informed the development of the draft SEND Education Sufficiency Strategy, and details the steps taken to publicly consult on 6 proposals to meet the expected demand over the coming 5 years. The report summarises the outcome of the consultation and next steps. These next steps include working with Buckinghamshire’s parent/carer forum and existing schools and colleges to develop new or different provision, as well as exploring the feasibility of new building projects to meet growing demand.

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| 8 | WORK PROGRAMME
The Committee will receive the work programme for the council year 2021-2022. | 16:00 | 89 - 90 |
| 9 | DATE OF NEXT MEETING
The next meeting of the Children’s and Education Select Committee will be held on 20 th January 2021 at 2.00 p.m. at The Gateway, Buckinghamshire Council. | 16:10 | |

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