

# Buckinghamshire Council Children's & Education Select Committee

# **Agenda**

Date: Thursday 25 January 2024

**Time:** 2.00 pm

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

**Membership:** J Ward (Chairman), M Dormer, S Adoh, K Bates, D Blamires, L Clarke OBE, I Darby, N Hussain, C Jones, S Kayani, S Lewin, Dr W Matthews, A Osibogun (Vice-Chairman), D Summers, P Turner, Z Williams and T Wilson

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#### 1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

#### 2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

For Committee Members to declare any personal or disclosable pecuniary interests.

# 3 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

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That the minutes of the meeting held on 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2023 be confirmed as a correct record.

# 4 PUBLIC QUESTIONS

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.

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# 5 YOUTH OFFENDING SERVICE - PROGRESS UPDATE

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For the Committee to note the improvements made by the Youth Offending Services since the HM Inspectorate of Probation (HMIP) published their findings in January 2023 following the service

inspection made by them in September 2022.

#### Contributors:

Cllr Anita Cranmer, Cabinet Portfolio Holder for Children's Services John Macilwraith, Corporate Director, Children's Services Aman Sekhon-Gill, Assistant Director of Quality Assurance and Standards, Children's Services

# 6 CHILDREN'S SERVICES TRANSFORMATION PROGRAMME UPDATE

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For the Select Committee to receive an update on the progress of the Children's Services Transformation Programme.

#### Contributors:

Cllr Anita Cranmer, Cabinet Portfolio Holder for Children's Services Errol Albert, Service Director, Transformation and Improvement, Children's Services

# 7 SCOPING DOCUMENT FOR REVIEW OF SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

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For the Committee to

- (i) consider and agree the draft scoping document for the Select Committee's review of school attendance issues and
- (ii) consider which committee members would like to take part in the review group.

#### Contributors:

Cllr Julie Ward, Select Committee Chairman Katie Dover, Senior Scrutiny Officer

#### 8 WORK PROGRAMME

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#### 9 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Select Committee will be held on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March at 2.00 p.m. in the Oculus, The Gateway, Aylesbury.

If you would like to attend a meeting, but need extra help to do so, for example because of a disability, please contact us as early as possible, so that we can try to put the right support in place.

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