

Children and Families Scrutiny Committee

Agenda

Date: Monday, 8th June, 2009
Time: 10.30 am
Venue: Committee Suite 1,2 & 3, Westfields, Middlewich Road, Sandbach
CW11 1HZ

The agenda is divided into 2 parts. Part 1 is taken in the presence of the public and press. Part 2 items will be considered in the absence of the public and press for the reasons indicated on the agenda and at the foot of each report.

PART 1 – MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED WITH THE PUBLIC AND PRESS PRESENT

1. **Apologies for Absence**

2. **Minutes of Previous Meeting** (Pages 1 - 4)

To approve the minutes of the informal meeting held on 11 May 2009.

3. **Declaration of Interest/Party Whip**

To provide an opportunity for Members and Officers to declare any personal and/or prejudicial interests and for members to declare the existence of a party whip in relation to any item on the agenda.

4. **Public Speaking Time/Open Session**

In accordance with Procedure Rules Nos.11 and 35 a total period of 10 minutes is allocated for members of the public to address the Committee on any matter relevant to the work of the Committee.

For any apologies or requests for further information, or to give notice of a question to be asked by a member of the public

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Individual members of the public may speak for up to 5 minutes but the Chairman will decide how the period of time allocated for public speaking will be apportioned where there are a number of speakers.

Note: In order for officers to undertake any background research it would be helpful if questions were submitted at least one working day before the meeting.

5. **Work Programme Up-date** (Pages 5 - 8)

6. **Forward Plan - Extracts** (Pages 9 - 14)

To note the current Forward Plan, identify any new items and to determine whether any further examination of new issues is appropriate

7. **Consultations from Cabinet**

To note any consultations referred to the Committee from Cabinet and to determine whether any further action is appropriate.

8. **Safeguarding Children** (Pages 15 - 44)

To up-date the Committee on matters raised in the Lord Laming Report on Child Protection, particularly in respect of how Safeguarding will operate across Cheshire East.

The report of the Services Manager, Children and Families, is attached for consideration. Members may also find it helpful to bring to the meeting their own copy of the Lord Laming Report.

NOTE: THERE ARE NO PART 2 ITEMS