

Children and Families Scrutiny Committee

Agenda

Date: Tuesday, 29th June, 2010
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 - 6)

To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 1 June 2010.

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**

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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A total period of 15 minutes is allocated for members of the public to make a statement(s) on any matter that falls within the remit of the Committee.

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 members of the public notified the Scrutiny officer listed at the foot of the agenda, at least one working day before the meeting with brief details of the matter to be covered.

5. **Work Programme Update**

To consider issues arising from the emerging work programme approved at the previous meeting. (see minutes of the meeting held on 1 June 2010 for details)

6. **Consultation on School Re-organisation Proposals in Macclesfield**

The Head of Services for Children and Families to update the Committee on proposals to re-organise schools in Macclesfield.

7. **Changing Policy Landscape in Children's Services**

The Head of Services for Children and Families to provide a verbal update on the Coalition Government's proposals as they relate to Children's Services.

8. **Presentation on Adoption, prior to a forthcoming inspection of the service by OFSTED**

To receive a presentation by the Head of Services for Children and Families

9. **Performance - Outturn** (Pages 7 - 28)

To consider a report of the Head of Service Children and Families.

10. **Corporate Plan** (Pages 29 - 64)

To consider a report of the Head of Human Resources considered by Cabinet on 14 June 2010, which set in motion the formal process to consult Overview and Scrutiny Committees in accordance with the Budget and Policy Framework procedure rules. The Committee is asked to consider making observations on the Corporate Plan which will be considered by Cabinet on 19 July 2010.

11. **Forward Plan - extracts** (Pages 65 - 68)

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

12. **Consultations from Cabinet**

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

13. **Start time of Meetings**

The Chairman to seek the views of the Committee about the possibility of starting meetings of the Children and Families Committee at 2.00pm to avoid clashing with CMT on Tuesdays mornings.