

# Children and Families Overview and Scrutiny Committee

## Agenda

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**Date:** Monday, 23rd November, 2020

**Time:** 1.30 pm

**Venue:** Virtual Meeting

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

1. **Apologies for Absence**
2. **Minutes of Previous meeting** (Pages 5 - 10)

To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 28 September 2020.

3. **Declarations of Interest**

To provide an opportunity for Members and Officers to declare any disclosable pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests in any item on the agenda.

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For requests for further information

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4. **Whipping Declarations**

To provide an opportunity for Members to declare the existence of a party whip in relation to any item on the agenda

5. **Public Speaking/Open Session**

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.

Members of the public wishing to make a statement should provide at notice in writing at least three clear working days before the meeting takes place.

6. **Child / Young Person's Story**

7. **Covid-19 Update** (Pages 11 - 20)

To consider the committee's standing update report on Covid-19 in relation to Children's Services.

8. **Children's Services Performance Scorecard - Quarter 2, 2020/21** (Pages 21 - 30)

To consider the performance data for Children's Services from Quarter 2 of 2020/21.

9. **Covid-19 and Children's Mental Health Support** (Pages 31 - 38)

To consider a report on the approach taken by the council and partners to support children and young people's mental health during the Covid-19 pandemic.

10. **Domestic Abuse** (Pages 39 - 56)

To consider an update on domestic abuse and how the Covid-19 pandemic has impacted on it.

11. **NEET Summit and Action Plan** (Pages 57 - 62)

To consider an update on the NEET Problem Solving Summit and the approach being taken by the council to support post-16 skills development.

12. **High Needs Funding** (Pages 63 - 70)

To consider an update on the work being carried out through the Schools Forum to develop a proposed new model for allocating High Needs top-up funding, along with details of planned next steps for this work.

13. **Forward Plan** (Pages 71 - 84)

To give consideration to the areas of the forward plan which fall within the remit of the Committee.

14. **Work Programme** (Pages 85 - 94)

To give consideration to the work programme.

**Membership:** Councillors M Addison, J Barber, M Beanland, D Brown, J Buckley, C Bulman (Vice-Chairman), P Butterill, S Handley, A Moran, J Saunders (Chairman), L Smith and N Wylie