

Children and Families Overview and Scrutiny Committee

Agenda

Date: Monday, 22nd March, 2021

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 - 8)

To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 26 February 2021.

For requests for further information

Contact Joel Hammond-Gant

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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.

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.

Note: In order for officers to undertake any background research, it would be helpful if members of the public contacted the Scrutiny officer listed at the foot of the agenda, at least one working day before the meeting to provide brief details of the matter to be covered.

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

To receive a short verbal update on a child/young person's story.

7. **Covid-19 Update** (Pages 9 - 14)

To consider the standing Covid-19 update.

8. **Children and Families Performance Scorecard - Quarter 3, 2020/21** (Pages 15 - 24)

To consider the performance data relating to Children and Families Services from quarter 3 of 2020/21.

9. **Update on Progress Against the SEND Written Statement of Action** (Pages 25 - 50)

To consider a six-month update on progress made against the SEND Written Statement of Action.

10. **Update on School Organisation and School Capital** (Pages 51 - 60)

To consider a report highlighting the schemes targeted at ensuring sufficiency of school places across all planning areas in the borough, including the work to support the increasing demand for specialist SEN school places, and the ongoing work undertaken to support the overall condition of maintained school buildings in Cheshire East.

11. **Update on Member Frontline Visits** (Pages 61 - 86)

To consider a six-month update on Member frontline visits.

12. **Forward Plan** (Pages 87 - 100)

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

13. **Work Programme** (Pages 101 - 106)

To review 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