

Children and Families Committee Agenda

Date: Monday, 20th March, 2023

Time: 2.00 pm

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 top of each report.

It should be noted that Part 1 items of Cheshire East Council decision making meetings are audio recorded and the recordings will be uploaded to the Council's website

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

1. Apologies for Absence

To note any apologies for absence from Members.

2. **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.

3. **Minutes of Previous Meeting** (Pages 5 - 12)

To approve as a correct record the minutes of the previous meeting held on 13 February 2023.

For requests for further information

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4. Public Speaking/Open Session

In accordance with paragraph 2.24 of the Council's Committee Procedure Rules and Appendix on Public Speaking, set out in the <u>Constitution</u>, a total period of 15 minutes is allocated for members of the public to put questions to the committee on any matter relating to this agenda. Each member of the public will be allowed up to two minutes each to speak, and the Chair will have discretion to vary this where they consider it appropriate.

Members of the public wishing to speak are required to provide notice of this at least three clear working days in advance of the meeting.

5. **Children's Residential Provision** (Pages 13 - 36)

To consider the report on children's residential provision in Cheshire East.

6. **Department for Education Delivering Better Value Programme** (Pages 37 - 54)

To consider the report on the Department for Education Delivering Better Value programme which Cheshire East Council joined in July 2022.

7. **High Needs Funding Post-Pilot Update** (Pages 55 - 98)

To receive an update on the results of the recent pilot and consider the next steps.

8. Educational Psychology Service Progress Update (Pages 99 - 118)

To receive an update on the Educational Psychology service.

9. Update on the transformation of travel support for children and young people (Pages 119 - 140)

To receive an update on the transformation of travel support for children and young people and consider the next steps.

10. Household Support Fund 4 & 5 (HSF4/HSF5) Grant Delivery (Pages 141 - 152)

To consider the report on the delivery of the Household Support Fund 4 & 5.

11. **2022/23 Financial Update** (Pages 153 - 186)

To receive the financial update for the year 2022/23.

12. School Organisation : Overview of planned capital schemes including funding revisions (Pages 187 - 216)

To receive the school organisation report on priority projects in Cheshire East.

13. School Organisation: Academisation of Schools: Forward Plan (Pages 217 - 220)

To receive the report on the status of academy conversions across Cheshire East schools.

14. **Work Programme** (Pages 221 - 222)

To consider the work programme and determine any required amendments.

15. **Minutes of Sub Committees** (Pages 223 - 232)

To note the minutes of the following sub committees:

Local Authority School Governor Nomination Sub Committee – 5 October 2022 Corporate Parenting Committee – 1 November 2022 Corporate Parenting Committee – 10 January 2023

Membership: Councillors M Addison, L Anderson, M Beanland, J Buckley, C Bulman (Vice-Chair), K Flavell (Chair), A Gregory, S Handley, G Hayes, I Macfarlane, J Saunders, L Smetham and L Smith