

# Children and Families Committee

## Agenda

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<b>Date:</b>	<b>Monday, 18th September, 2023</b>
<b>Time:</b>	<b>10.00 am</b>
<b>Venue:</b>	<b>Committee Suite 1,2 &amp; 3, Westfields, Middlewich Road, Sandbach CW11 1HZ</b>

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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 - 10)

To approve as a correct record the minutes of the previous meeting held on 10 July 2023.

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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 [Constitution](#), 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. **Dedicated Schools Grant Management Plan 2023/24 to 2027/28** (Pages 11 - 62)

To consider a report seeking approval of the updated Dedicated Schools Grant Management Plan for the period 2023/24 to 2027/28.

6. **Refreshed SEND Strategy 2021-2025** (Pages 63 - 114)

To consider a report seeking approval of the refreshed Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) Partnership Strategy.

7. **SEND Sufficiency Statement for Children and Young People with an Education, Health and Care Plan** (Pages 115 - 156)

To receive an overview of the Special Educational Needs and Disabilities Sufficiency Statement which has been updated to reflect the growing demand for specialist provisions.

8. **Allocation of Additional High Needs Funding and Additional Early Years Funding for 2023/24** (Pages 157 - 170)

To receive an update on the two additional funding streams announced for 2023/24 and approve how the funding streams should be allocated.

9. **Pupil Place Planning Sufficiency Report (SCAP Return)** (Pages 171 - 186)

To note the report on pupil place planning sufficiency.

10. **Annual Youth Justice Plan** (Pages 187 - 224)

To receive the annual Youth Justice Plan.

11. **Cared for Children and Care Leavers Committee Annual Report** (Pages 225 - 256)

To receive the Cared for Children and Care Leavers Committee annual report 2023-23.

12. **Children and Families Scorecard Q1** (Pages 257 - 266)  
To note the Children and Families scorecard for quarter 1 of 2023-24.
13. **Transformation of Travel Support for Children and Young People and Review of Available Walking Routes** (Pages 267 - 316)  
To consider a report on the transformation of travel support and available walking routes to schools.
14. **Children and Families Capital Programme – Implementation of Capital Schemes (including new and named schemes and School Condition Programme)** (Pages 317 - 338)  
To receive an update on progress with the school capital programme for 2023/24 and approve the progression of projects and named schemes as detailed the appendices.
15. **Special Educational Needs Inclusion Fund Policy (SENIF)** (Pages 339 - 356)  
To consider a report seeking approval to consult on revising the mechanism of support provided to enable children with special educational needs (SEN) to access their early education entitlements.
16. **School Causing Concern - St Gregory's** (Pages 357 - 366)  
To consider a report seeking approval to commence the structured process as outlined in the statutory guidance regarding the future viability of St Gregory's Catholic Primary School.
17. **Commissioning Children and Young People's Emotional Health and Wellbeing Service** (Pages 367 - 400)  
To consider a report seeking approval to recommission the Emotionally Healthy Children and Young People Service.
18. **Work Programme** (Pages 401 - 406)  
To consider the work programme and determine any required amendments.
19. **Minutes of Sub-Committees** (Pages 407 - 408)  
To note the minutes of the Cared for Children and Care Leavers Committee meeting of 20 June 2023.

**Membership:** Councillors L Anderson (Vice-Chair), R Bailey, M Beanland, S Bennett-Wake, C Bulman (Chair), D Clark, E Gilman, G Hayes, R Kain, B Posnett, J Saunders, G Smith and L Smith