

Children and Families Committee

Agenda

Date:	Monday, 9th June, 2025
Time:	2.00 pm
Venue:	The Capesthorpe Room - Town Hall, Macclesfield SK10 1EA

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.

It should be noted that Part 1 items of Cheshire East Council decision making, and Overview and Scrutiny 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 interests, other registerable interests, and non-registerable interests in any item on the agenda.

3. **Minutes of Previous Meeting (Pages 5 - 14)**

To approve as a correct record the minutes of the previous meeting held on 7 April 2025.

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.

Petitions - To receive any petitions which have met the criteria - [Petitions Scheme Criteria](#), and falls within the remit of the Committee. Petition organisers will be allowed up to three minutes to speak.

5. **Cheshire East Domestic Abuse Service (Pages 15 - 152)**

To consider a report on the Council's approach to domestic abuse support within the borough including the current service offer and the initial stages taken to review the service.

6. **Cheshire East SEND and AP 'One Plan' (Pages 153 - 232)**

To consider a report on the Cheshire East SEND and AP 'One Plan.'

7. **Final Outturn 2024/25 (Pages 233 - 344)**

To receive a report which provides an overview of the Cheshire East Council final outturn for the financial year 2024/25.

8. **Children and Families Capital Programme - School Condition Programme 2025/26 (Pages 345 - 356)**

To consider a report on the School Condition Programme 2025-26.

9. **Councillor Frontline Visits (Pages 357 - 372)**

To consider a report on the proposed new arrangements for councillor visits to frontline children's social care services to strengthen councillor oversight of the impact of services on children's outcomes.

10. **Supported Accommodation for 16-25-year-old Children in Care and Care Leavers (Pages 373 - 390)**

To consider a report on the new service model and pathway for supported accommodation.

11. **Improvement Plan Progress (Pages 391 - 474)**

To provide an update on progress against the children's services improvement plan to address the findings from the Ofsted inspection of local authority children's services (ILACS) conducted in February and March 2024.

12. **Proposal to formally increase the number of places at Park Lane School, Macclesfield (Pages 475 - 510)**

To consider a report on the proposal to formally increase the number of places at Park Lane School, Macclesfield.

13. **Appointments to Sub-Committees, Working Groups, Panels, Boards and Joint Committees (Pages 511 - 524)**

To consider a report to nominate members to the bodies referred to in the report.

14. **Work Programme (Pages 525 - 528)**

To consider the Work Programme and determine any required amendments.

15. **SEND Sufficiency Statement for children and young people with an education, health, care plan (EHCP) (Pages 529 - 542)**

To consider a report on the SEND Sufficiency Statement for children and young people with an education, health, care plan (EHCP).

16. **Exclusion of the Press and Public**

The reports relating to the remaining items on the agenda have been withheld from public circulation and deposit pursuant to Section 100(B)(2) of the Local Government Act 1972 on the grounds that the matters may be determined with the press and public excluded. The Committee may decide that the press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following items pursuant to Section 100(A)4 of the Local Government Act 1972 on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraph 2 and 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972 and public interest would not be served in publishing the information.

PART 2 – MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED WITHOUT THE PUBLIC AND PRESS PRESENT

17. **SEND Sufficiency Statement for children and young people with an education, health, care plan (EHCP) (Pages 543 - 592)**

To consider the confidential appendix to the report.

Membership: Councillors R Bailey, M Beanland, S Bennett-Wake, J Bird, L Crane (Chair), E Gilman (Vice-Chair), G Hayes, R Moreton, B Posnett, B Puddicombe, J Saunders, G Smith and B Wye