

CHESHIRE EAST COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the Children and Families Overview and Scrutiny Committee

held on Monday, 24th February, 2020 at Committee Suite 1,2 & 3, Westfields,
Middlewich Road, Sandbach CW11 1HZ

PRESENT

Councillor J Saunders (Chairman)
Councillor P Butterill (Vice-Chairman)

Councillors J Barber, M Beanland, J Buckley, C Bulman, S Edgar, S Handley,
M Houston, A Moran, L Wardlaw and N Wylie

PORTFOLIO HOLDERS IN ATTENDANCE

Councillor K Flavell, Portfolio Holder for Children and Families

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE

Kerry Birtles, Head of Service Cared for Children & Care Leavers
Dr Kate Bonser, Consultant Clinical Psychologist (Manchester NHS Foundation Trust)
Annie Britton, Participation Lead Worker
Anne Casey, Head of Clinical Services (CAMHS)
Fiona Ellis, SEND Participation Worker / Senior Youth Support Worker
Jacky Forster, Director of Education and 14-19 Skills
Dr Matthew Howard, Clinical Director (CAMHS)
Mike Hall, Project Manager (Adoption Counts)
Louise Hurst, Head of Service Children in Need and Child Protection
Dave Leadbetter, Head of Service Children's Commissioning
Amanda McCaig, Home and Family Support Team Manager
Kay McIntyre, Youth Support Area Delivery Manager (North)
Mark Palethorpe, Executive Director People
Sarah Ramsey, Youth Support Area Delivery Manager (South)
Alison Stathers-Tracey, Director of Prevention and Early Help
Jamaila Tausif, Director of Strategy and Partnerships (NHS Cheshire Clinical Commissioning Group)
Joanne Watts, (Head of Operations, Cheshire and Wirral Partnership NHS Foundation Trust)
Sue Westwood, Regional Adoption Manager (Adoption Counts)
Claire Williamson, Head of Service Education Participation and Pupil Support

49 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors M Addison (substituted for by Councillor S Edgar) and D Brown (substituted for by Councillor L Wardlaw).

50 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

RESOLVED –

That the minutes of the previous meeting held on 27 January 2020 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

51 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

52 WHIPPING DECLARATIONS

There were no declarations of a party whip.

53 PUBLIC SPEAKING/OPEN SESSION

There were no members of the public present who wished to speak.

54 SPOTLIGHT REVIEW OF CHILDREN'S MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES IN CHESHIRE EAST

The committee considered a range of reports and presentations from a variety of council services, NHS providers and commissioners and other external partners on the provision and effectiveness of children's mental health services in Cheshire East.

During the meeting, the committee noted a number of key, salient issues raised by the witnesses, and discussed a number of recommendations that it wished to submit to the council and partners as part of its final report.

RESOLVED –

- 1 That the presentations and reports be noted, and witnesses be thanked for taking the time to attend the meeting and contribute to the review.
- 2 That the committee meet in private session on 23 March 2020 to discuss and finalise the recommendations to be included in the final report.

The meeting commenced at 10.00 am and concluded at 4.50 pm

Councillor J Saunders (Chairman)