Children and Young People Overview and Scrutiny Committee

8 June 2011

Agenda

A meeting of the Children and Young People Overview and Scrutiny Committee will take place at the SHIRE HALL, WARWICK on WEDNESDAY, 8 JUNE 2011 at 10.00am.

The agenda will be:-

1. General

- (1) Election of Chair and Vice-Chair
- (2) Apologies for Absence
- (3) Members' Declarations of Personal and Prejudicial Interests

Members are reminded that they should declare the existence and nature of their personal interests at the commencement of the item (or as soon as the interest becomes apparent). If that interest is a prejudicial interest the Member must withdraw from the room unless one of the exceptions applies.

Membership of a district or borough council is classed as a personal interest under the Code of Conduct. A Member does not need to declare this interest unless the Member chooses to speak on a matter relating to their membership. If the Member does not wish to speak on



the matter, the Member may still vote on the matter without making a declaration.

- (4) Minutes of the Children and Young People Overview and Scrutiny Committee meeting held on 6 April 2011
- (5) Minutes of the special Children and Young People Overview and Scrutiny Committee meeting held on 10 May 2011
- (6) Chair's Announcements

2. Public Question Time (Standing Order 34)

Up to 30 minutes of the meeting is available for members of the public to ask questions on any matters relevant to the business of the Children and Young People Overview and Scrutiny Committee.

Questioners may ask two questions and can speak for up to three minutes each.

To be sure of receiving an answer to an appropriate question, please contact Richard Maybey on 01926 476876 or richardmaybey@warwickshire.gov.uk at least five working days before the meeting. Otherwise, please arrive at least 15 minutes before the start of the meeting and ensure that Council staff are aware of the matter on which you wish to speak.

3. Questions to the Portfolio Holder

Up to 30 minutes of the meeting is available for Members of the Committee to put questions to the Portfolio Holder (Councillor Heather Timms (Child Safeguarding, Early Intervention and Schools)) on any matters relevant to the Children and Young People Overview and Scrutiny Committee's remit and for the Portfolio Holder to update the Committee on relevant issues.

4. SEN Green Paper (consultation with stakeholders)

This report details the SEN Green Paper Consultation Questions and asks for comments which will be reported to Cabinet on 16.06.11 and included in the LA response to the Department for Education.

Recommendation

That members:

- Consider the proposal that the Local Authority volunteers as a pathfinder with a focus on effective assessment of special educational needs and disability
- Consider the issues raised in the consultation questions as part of a wider discussion with parents and teachers on 8th June 2011, and that the



Overview and Scrutiny Committee then makes recommendations to Cabinet about the response to the Department of Education.

For further information, please contact:

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5. Impact of Government Spending Review

This report details further analysis around the individual elements that make up the 2011/12 allocation for the Children, Young People and Families Directorate and give detail of the approach that was taken.

Recommendation

To consider the impact of the Government Spending Review on the Children, Young People and Families Directorate and identify areas for scrutiny as appropriate.

For further information, please contact: Simon Smith, Strategic Finance Manager

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6. Scrutiny of Bullying

An update on the implementation of recommendations from "Scrutiny of Bullying: Report of the County Youth Panel" was provided in December 2009. The purpose of this report is to advise members of the progress that has been made since that time.

Recommendation

That the Overview and Scrutiny Committee consider the progress that has been made through the work of the Anti-Bullying Coordinator and support the recommendation for a sub-regional approach in the future.

For further information, please contact: Viv Sales, Principal Educational Social Worker

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7. Work Programme 2011-12

The Children and Young People Overview and Scrutiny Committee is asked to consider its work programme.

Recommendation

That members consider the draft work programme at Appendix 1 and amend as appropriate.

For further information please contact Michelle McHugh, Overview & Scrutiny Manager

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8. Any Other Items

Which the Chair decides are urgent.

Jim Graham Chief Executive



Children and Young People Overview and Scrutiny Committee Membership

County Councillors: Peter Balaam, Carol Fox, Julie Jackson, Mike Perry, Clive Rickhards, Carolyn Robbins, John Ross, Martin Shaw, June Tandy (Chair), Sonja Wilson

Cabinet Portfolio Holder: Councillor Heather Timms (Child Safeguarding, Early Intervention and Schools)

Church Representatives: Mr Joseph Cannon, Dr Rex Pogson

Parent Governor Representatives: Alison Livesey and 1 Vacancy

The reports referred to are available in large print if requested

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