

Children and Young People Overview & Scrutiny Committee

Agenda

17 January 2012

A special meeting of the Children and Young People Overview & Scrutiny Committee will take place in **COMMITTEE ROOM 2, SHIRE HALL, WARWICK** on **TUESDAY, 17 JANUARY 2012 at 2.00pm** to conclude the agenda from the 14 December 2011 meeting. The agenda will be:

1. General

(1) Apologies for Absence

(2) 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.

Items 2-7 – already covered at 15 December 2011 meeting

8. Performance Management

The Committee will receive a presentation on effective performance management and how it links to the overview and scrutiny process.

Recommendation

That the Committee notes the progress to date.

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9. Munro Review

This report outlines the independent review of child protection by Professor Eileen Munro and the impacts for Warwickshire.

Recommendation

That the Committee considers the implications and recommendations of the Munro Review of Child Protection for Warwickshire, along with the Government response and the actions taken or planned thus far in Warwickshire.

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10. Improving Safeguarding Outcomes

To update the Committee on the action plan put in place to address the inconsistent practices identified by Ofsted and to provide an update on the recommendations of the Committee's previous review of safeguarding.

Recommendation

That the Committee approves the actions for improving safeguarding outcomes for children and young people.

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11. Education of Vulnerable Pupils – Joint Strategy

To consider the progress of an overarching strategy for the Education of Vulnerable Children, jointly developed by the Council's Early Intervention and Learning & Achievement business units.

Recommendation

That the Committee:

- (1) Agrees any areas for scrutiny, as appropriate.
- (2) Considers and comments on the approach to early intervention and prevention, set out in this report, as part of a strategy for supporting the education of vulnerable children.

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12. Academies and Traded Services

This report provides an update on the offer that the local authority will be making available to Academies and the guidance issued to local authority governors.

Recommendation

That the Committee:

- (1) Considers any implications of the development of the Academy programme within Warwickshire and the service provision for 2012/13.
- (2) Agrees any areas for scrutiny, as appropriate.

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13. Work Programme 2011-12

Recommendation

That the Committee considers the draft work programme at Appendix A and amends as appropriate.

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14. Any Other Items

Which the Chair decides are urgent.

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

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

Church Representatives: Joseph Cannon and Dr Rex Pogson

Parent Governor Representatives: Sharon Ansell and Alison Livesey

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