

Children and Young People Overview & Scrutiny Committee

Agenda

6 November 2012

**TUESDAY 6 NOVEMBER 2012, 10.00am
COMMITTEE ROOM 2, SHIRE HALL, WARWICK**

1. General

(1) Apologies for Absence

(2) Disclosures of Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary Interests

Members are required to register their disclosable pecuniary interests within 28 days of their election or appointment to the Council. A member attending a meeting where a matter arises in which s/he has a disclosable pecuniary interest must (unless s/he has a dispensation):

- Declare the interest if s/he has not already registered it
- Not participate in any discussion or vote
- Must leave the meeting room until the matter has been dealt with (Standing Order 42)
- Give written notice of any unregistered interest to the Monitoring Officer within 28 days of the meeting

Non-pecuniary interests must still be declared in accordance with the new Code of Conduct. These should be declared at the commencement of the meeting.

(3) Minutes of the meeting held on 6 September 2012

(4) Chair's Announcements

2. Public Question Time (Standing Order 34)

30 minutes of the meeting are available for members of the public to ask questions on any matters relevant to the Committee. Questioners may ask two questions and can speak for up to three minutes on each. If you wish to ask a question, please contact Richard Maybey on 01926 476876 or richardmaybey@warwickshire.gov.uk

3. Questions to the Portfolio Holder

30 minutes of the meeting are available for members to question Cllr Heather Timms (Portfolio Holder, Children and Schools) on any matters relevant to the Committee.

4. Removal of Passenger Transport Assistants from Home to School Transport

This report provides an update on how the new arrangements for school bus routes without Passenger Transport Assistants are working, and details of any incidents reported by operators, schools or parents regarding the health, safety and behaviour of young people travelling on those routes.

At this point of the meeting, representatives from the Youth Council (VOX) will be invited to discuss issues of concern, such as preparing young people for work and careers guidance.

5. Area Behaviour Partnerships (ABPs)

The Committee has asked for this report to consider how the new arrangements for excluded pupils and those at risk of exclusion are working, now that this is full WCC policy. Specifically, it has asked to review progress of the Eastern ABP and how the barriers identified in the ABP Chair reports from April are being overcome.

6. Performance of Warwickshire Children and Young People in 2012 National Tests and Examinations

The Committee will receive a report and presentation on the latest available school attainment results.

7. The 2013/14 Schools Funding Reforms

This report provides an update on the progress and conclusions of the implementation of the revised schools funding formula, which impacts on all schools from April 2013 and Academies from September 2013. The Schools Forum considered this report in October, and is now brought to the Committee in advance of a Cabinet decision in December.

8. Progress of the Green Paper 'Support and Aspiration', Disability and Special Educational Needs (SEN) Reform

This report provides an update on progress of the government's legislative changes for disability and special educational needs.

9. Work Programme 2012-13

The Committee is asked to agree its work programme for the year ahead, and propose any new topics that may be suitable for scrutiny via a Task & Finish Group.

10. Any Other Items

Which the Chair decides are urgent.

Jim Graham
Chief Executive

Children and Young People Overview & Scrutiny Committee Membership

Councillors:

Peter Balaam, Jim Foster, Carol Fox, Peter Fowler, Julie Jackson (Chair), Mike Perry, Clive Rickhards, John Ross (Vice Chair), Martin Shaw, June Tandy

Co-opted members for Education matters:

Joseph Cannon and Dr Rex Pogson, Church Representatives
Alison Livesey and 1 vacancy, Parent Governor Representatives

Portfolio Holder relevant to the remit of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee

Councillor Heather Timms – Children and Schools

General enquiries

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