

Children, Young People & Families Overview and Scrutiny Committee

26 February, 2008

Agenda

A meeting of the Children, Young People and Families Overview and Scrutiny Committee will take place at the **SHIRE HALL, WARWICK** on **TUESDAY, 26 FEBRUARY, 2008 at 10.00 am.**

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.

(3) Minutes of the Children, Young People and Families Overview and Scrutiny Committee meeting held on 23 January 2008

(4) 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 Ann Mawdsley on 01926 418079 or e-mail annmawdsley@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. Challenges for the next 12 months – Councillor Izzi Seccombe and Councillor John Burton

4. Key Stage 4 - Performance

Report of the Strategic Director for Children, Young People and Families

This report outlines the results of pupils in national tests in Key Stage 4 in Warwickshire's schools and the planned actions proposed to further raise levels of attainment and achievement.

Recommendation:

That the Committee scrutinise the results of pupils in national tests in Key Stage 4 in Warwickshire schools and support the planned actions proposed to further raise levels of attainment and achievement.

For further information please contact Mark Gore, Head of Service – Education Partnership & School Development Division, Tel: 01926 742588 E-mail markgore@warwickshire.gov.uk or Bob Hooper, Head of School Performance, Tel: 01926 742008, E-mail bobhooper@warwickshire.gov.uk.

5. Joint Area Review (JAR) Preparation

Report of the Strategic Director for Children, Young People and Families

This presentation is the beginning of raising awareness on the lead up to the Joint Area Review (and the Comprehensive Performance Assessment (CPA) which is happening at the same time) from 30th June to 11th July 2008.

Recommendation:

That the Committee:

- (a) consider and comment on the information contained within this report and presentation, and
- (b) request any advice/guidance/comment on any further information required at this stage on this subject.

For further information please contact Geoff King, Head of Service – Commissioning, Planning and Partnership Division, Tel: 01926 742389 E-mail geoffking@warwickshire.gov.uk or David Macniven, Education Officer – Information, Tel: 01926 742468 E-mail davidmacniven@warwickshire.gov.uk.

6. Information held about Children, Young People and Families – Information the Directorate collects and reports to Government

Report of the Strategic Director for Children, Young People and Families

This report details the individual data items collected and sent to the Department for Children, Schools and Families by the Children, Young People and Families Directorate.

Recommendation:

That the Committee:

- (a) consider and comment on the information contained within this report and presentation, and
- (b) request any advice/guidance/comment on any further information required at this stage on this subject.

For further information please contact David Macniven, Education Officer – Information, Tel: 01926 742468 E-mail davidmacniven@warwickshire.gov.uk.

This report is being circulated separately as it was not available at the deadline for print.

7. 1st Draft of the Corporate Business Plan 2008-11

Report of the Strategic Director for Performance and Development

This report presents the first draft of the Corporate Business Plan 2008-11 and the updated Corporate risk register for comment, following their consideration by Cabinet and with the intention of a final version being agreed by Full Council on 18th March 2008.

Recommendation:

That the Committee:

- (a) consider and agree the 1st draft of the Corporate Business Plan 2008-11, prior to its consideration by Full Council on 18th March 2008
- (b) accept the key corporate risks facing the County Council in delivering its objectives and the actions put in place to manage them.

For further information please contact Gereint Stoneman, Corporate Planning Manager, Tel: 01926 412378 E-mail gereintstoneman@warwickshire.gov.uk.

8. LAA Quarter 3 Performance Update and Suggested Priorities and Indicators for the new LAA

Report of the Strategic Director for Performance and Development

(This report was not available at the time the agenda was printed and will be forwarded separately).

Overall summary of performance at quarter 3 2008, and the suggested priorities and indicators for inclusion in the new LAA.

Recommendation:

That the Committee:

- (a) welcomes the comprehensive performance management information contained in this report, and
- (b) makes comments on the suggested priorities and indicators identified for the new LAA.

For further information please contact David Macniven, Education Officer – Information, Tel: 01926 742468 E-mail davidmacniven@warwickshire.gov.uk.

9. Provisional Items for Future Meetings and Forward Plan Items Relevant to the Work of this Committee

A table setting out provisional items for future meetings is attached.

Forward Plan

For information:

Cabinet – 23 April 2008
In-Year Fair Access Protocol
Behaviour Review Strategy
Exclusions from School

10. Any Other Items

Which the Chair decides are urgent.

Jim Graham
Chief Executive

Children, Young People and Families Overview and Scrutiny Committee **Membership**

County Councillors:- Jill Dill-Russell, Richard Grant, Katherine King, Helen McCarthy, Mike Perry, John Ross, Dave Shilton, Kam Singh, Mota Singh, Heather Timms, John Wells and John Whitehouse

Cabinet Portfolio Holders:- Councillors John Burton (Schools), Izzi Seccombe (Children's Services)

Church Representatives:- Dr Rex Pogson

Parent Governor Representatives:- Ruth Davies-McCrorie and Tim Sturges

The reports referred to are available in large print if requested

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Enquiries about specific reports: Please contact the officers named in the reports.