

Agenda for a meeting of the Children's Services Overview and Scrutiny Committee to be held on Wednesday 27 January 2016 at 1630 in Committee Room 1, City Hall, Bradford

Members of the Committee - Councillors

| Conservative | Labour | Liberal Democrat | Bradford Independents |
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| Sykes (Ch) | Engel | J Sunderland | F Khan |
| M Pollard (DCh) | Peart | | |
| | Shaheen | | |
| | Tait | | |
| | Thirkill | | |

Alternates:

| <u>Conservative</u> | <u>Labour</u> | <u>Liberal Democrat</u> | <u>Bradford Independents</u> |
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| Carmody | Bacon | N Pollard | Collector |
| Rickard | Abid Hussain | | |
| | Lee | | |
| | Akhtar | | |

VOTING CO-OPTED MEMBERS:

Church representatives: Claire Parr (RC), Joyce Simpson (CE)

Parent Governor Representatives: Mr Sidiq Ali, vacancy

NON VOTING CO-OPTED MEMBERS:

Health Representative: Tina Wildy

Teachers Secondary School Representative: Tom Bright

Teachers Primary School Representative: Stephen Pickles

Teachers Special School Representative: Irene Docherty

Voluntary Sector Representative: Kerr Kennedy

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A. PROCEDURAL ITEMS

1. ALTERNATE MEMBERS (Standing Order 34)

The Interim City Solicitor will report the names of alternate Members who are attending the meeting in place of appointed Members.

2. DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

(Members Code of Conduct - Part 4A of the Constitution)

To receive disclosures of interests from members and co-opted members on matters to be considered at the meeting. The disclosure must include the nature of the interest.

An interest must also be disclosed in the meeting when it becomes apparent to the member during the meeting.

Notes:

- (1) Members may remain in the meeting and take part fully in discussion and voting unless the interest is a disclosable pecuniary interest or an interest which the Member feels would call into question their compliance with the wider principles set out in the Code of Conduct. Disclosable pecuniary interests relate to the Member concerned or their spouse/partner.
- (2) **Members in arrears of Council Tax by more than two months must not vote in decisions on, or which might affect, budget calculations, and must disclose at the meeting that this restriction applies to them. A failure to comply with these requirements is a criminal offence under section 106 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992.**
- (3) Members are also welcome to disclose interests which are not disclosable pecuniary interests but which they consider should be made in the interest of clarity.
- (4) Officers must disclose interests in accordance with Council Standing Order 44.

3. MINUTES

Recommended –

That the minutes of the meeting held on 9 and 15 December 2015 be signed as a correct record (previously circulated).

4. INSPECTION OF REPORTS AND BACKGROUND PAPERS

(Access to Information Procedure Rules – Part 3B of the Constitution)

Reports and background papers for agenda items may be inspected by contacting the person shown after each agenda item. Certain reports and background papers may be restricted.

Any request to remove the restriction on a report or background paper should be made to the relevant Strategic Director or Assistant Director whose name is shown on the front page of the report.



If that request is refused, there is a right of appeal to this meeting. Please contact the officer shown below in advance of the meeting if you wish to appeal.

(Fatima Butt - 01274 434580)

5. REFERRALS TO THE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

To receive referrals that have been made to this Committee after the publication of this agenda.

The Committee is asked to note the referrals and decide how it wishes to proceed, for example by incorporating the item into the work programme, requesting that it be subject to more detailed examination, or refer it to an appropriate Working Group/Committee.

(Fatima Butt - 01274 432227)

A. OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY ACTIVITIES

6 BETTER START BRADFORD PROGRAMME UPDATE

Previous Reference: Minute 57 (2014/15)

The Strategic Director Children's Services will submit **Document "AT"** which provides an update on setting up of the Better Start Bradford programme, early implementation and sharing of the learning from the programme across the Bradford district.

Recommended-

Members are asked to consider and note the information provided in the report and the high commitment within the District to improving outcomes and reducing inequalities for all young children through evidence based early intervention and prevention to ensure all children reach their potential.

(Michaela Howell – 01274 513227)

(Shirley Brierly – 01274 431772)

(Judith Kirk – 01274 385716)

7 NATIONAL LITERACY TRUST HUB IN BRADFORD

Previous Reference: Minute 56 (2014/15)

The Assistant Director, Education and School Improvement will submit **Document "AU"** which reports on Literacy Hubs. Literacy Hubs aim to create long-term change in places where low levels of literacy are entrenched, intergenerational and seriously impacting on people's lives. A Literacy Hub is envisaged as a ten year programme to have maximum impact and permanently embed change. They are a partnership between the National Literacy Trust, the local authority and a wide range of local partners including voluntary and community organisations, businesses, health, education and cultural organisations. Each Hub has a range of specific literacy priorities and activities based on the needs of the local community, as well as authority wide work including a local media campaign.



Recommended-

That the Committee support the Hub Senior Steering Group in identifying and Securing continuation funding for a range of initiatives and projects being delivered by the hub to operate beyond December 2016 (when the initial grant from the Esmée Fairbairn Foundation comes to an end).

(Imran Hafeez – 07736280232)

8 UPDATE ON THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE CHILDREN’S TRUST

Previous Reference: Minute 72 (2014/15)

The Assistant Director, Access and Inclusion will submit **Document “AV”** which provides an update following on from the survey of the Children’s Trust Board arrangements held in Spring 2015 and subsequent development work of the Board in Autumn 2015 which culminated in a development day for Board Members on 14 December 2015. It also outlines the next steps for the Trust as it moves into its next three year cycle 2016 -2019.

Recommended-

Members are requested to consider and note the information provided and that a further update be provided to the Committee in six months.

(Linda Mason - 01274 432438)

9. CHILDREN’S SERVICES OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE WORK PROGRAMME 2015-16

The report of the Chair of Children’s Services Overview and Scrutiny Committee (**Document “AW”**) presents the Committee’s Work Programme 2015-16.

Recommended -

That the Work Programme 2015-16 continues to be regularly reviewed during the year.

(Licia Woodhead - 01274 432119)

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