

Agenda for a meeting of the Children's Services Overview and Scrutiny Committee to be held on Tuesday, 14 February 2017 at 4.30 pm in Committee Room 1 - City Hall, Bradford

Members of the Committee – Councillors

CONSERVATIVE	LABOUR	LIBERAL DEMOCRAT	INDEPENDENT
D Smith (Chair) M Pollard (Dch)	Engel Mullaney Peart Shaheen Tait	Ward	Sajawal

Alternates:

CONSERVATIVE	LABOUR	LIBERAL DEMOCRAT	INDEPENDENT
Carmody Rickard	Akhtar Bacon Abid Hussain Thirkill	J Sunderland	

VOTING CO-OPTED MEMBERS:

Sidiq Ali
Claire Parr
Joyce Simpson
Gull Hussain

Parent Governor Representative
Church Representative (RC)
Church Representative (CE)
Parent Governor Representative

NON VOTING CO-OPTED MEMBERS

Kerr Kennedy
Stephen Pickles
Tom Bright
Tina Wildy

Voluntary Sector Representative
Teachers Primary Schools Representative
Teachers Secondary School Representative
Health Representative

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A. PROCEDURAL ITEMS

1. ALTERNATE MEMBERS (Standing Order 34)

The 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 7 December 2016 be signed as a correct record (previously circulated).

(Fatima Butt – 01274 432227)



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 432227)

5. **REFERRALS TO THE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE**

Any referrals that have been made to this Committee up to and including the date of publication of this agenda will be reported at the meeting.

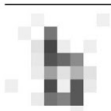
B. OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY ACTIVITIES

6. **BETTER START BRADFORD PROGRAMME UPDATE**

Better Start Bradford (BSB) is an opportunity for Bradford to test out and add to the evidence base of 'what works' in improving child health and development outcomes in the early years, improving maternal and child health and school readiness.

Learning from developing the BSB programme has been instrumental in supporting the development of the district's Integrated Early Years Strategy and the plans for transforming early years and early help.

The Strategic Director, Children's Services will submit **Document "AH"** which outlines the background to the Better Start Bradford Programme, the key principles of the approach and reports on the progress in implementation and key aspects of evaluation and learning across the district.



Recommended-

That 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 be considered and noted.

(Michaela Howell – 01274 513227)

7. ARRANGEMENTS BY THE COUNCIL AND ITS PARTNERS TO TACKLE CHILD SEXUAL EXPLOITATION

Previous Reference: Minute 21 (2016/17)

The Strategic Director, Children's Services will submit **Document "AI"** which provides an update to the report presented to this Committee on 6th September 2016. It contains information on developments in the intervening five months and responds to the specific recommendations made at that meeting.

Recommended-

That the Committee note the contents of the report and receive a full update in September 2017.

(Tony Griffin – 01274 431227)

8. PROGRESS REPORT ON THE CHILDREN'S CENTRE CLUSTERS

Previous Reference: Minute 5 (2016/17)

Children's centres were launched with the aim of giving disadvantaged children the 'best possible start in life,' and were intended to be one of the main vehicles for ensuring there are integrated and good quality accessible family services to support young children and their families.

In summer 2013 a review of children's centres across the Bradford district was carried out followed by a statutory consultation and a proposal for a new model for future delivery in November 2014. As a result of this the Executive agreed to a new seven cluster model of delivery for children's centres managed by a variety of different providers – a 'mixed economy' model. Implementation of phase 1 i.e. the three nursery school clusters and the local authority cluster in Keighley was completed by 1st September 2015 and phase 2 the external clusters managed by the voluntary sector completed on the 1st August 2016.



The Deputy Director, Education, Employment and Skills will submit **Document “AJ”** which provides a progress update to the committee as requested at the meeting of 7 June 2016.

Recommended-

That the information in the report be noted.

(Lynn Donohue – 01274 439606)

(Susan Moreau – 01274 431390)

**9. CHILDREN'S SERVICES OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE
WORK PROGRAMME 2016/17**

The report of the Chair of the Children's Services Overview and Scrutiny Committee (**Document “AK”**) presents the Committee's Work Programme 2016-17.

Recommended –

That the Work Programme 2016-17 continues to be regularly reviewed during the year.

(Licia Woodhead – 01274 432119)

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