

Agenda for a meeting of the Children's Services Overview and Scrutiny Committee to be held on Wednesday, 27 September 2017 at 4.30 pm in Ernest Saville Room - City Hall, Bradford

Members of the Committee – Councillors

CONSERVATIVE	LABOUR	LIBERAL DEMOCRAT AND INDEPENDENT	INDEPENDENT
D Smith M Pollard	Engel Mullaney Peart Shaheen Tait	Ward	Sajawal

Alternates:

CONSERVATIVE	LABOUR	LIBERAL DEMOCRAT AND INDEPENDENT
Rickard Riaz	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

Irene Docherty

Tina Wildy

Voluntary Sector Representative

Teachers Primary Schools Representative

Teachers Secondary School Representative

Teachers Special 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 26 July 2017 be signed as a correct record (previously circulated).

(Jill Bell – 01274 434580)

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.

(Jill Bell - 01274 434580)

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

The following referrals have been made to this Committee up to and including the date of publication of this agenda.

The Committee is asked to note the referrals listed above 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.

B. OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY ACTIVITIES

6. **YOUNG CARERS**

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The report of the Director of Children's Services (**Document "E"**) provides an annual update on plans to meet the needs of Young Carers, within the Bradford District, following the implementation of the Memorandum of Understanding 2010, refreshed in Feb 2014, and previous annual reports presented.

Recommended -

That the Committee comment on the service provision.

(Cath Dew – 01274 437949)

7. **PROGRESS OF THE FOSTERING SERVICE**

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The Director of Children's Services will present a report (**Document "F"**) that provides an update on the progress of the fostering service noting the positive direction of travel.

Recommended -

That progress on the implementation of the action plan for the Fostering Service be noted.

(Jim Hopkinson – 01274 432904)

8. SCHOOLS FORUM UPDATE

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The Director of children's Services will present an update on the work of the Schools Forum (**Document "G"**). The last update was presented to the Committee on 11 April 2017. The Schools Forum has met twice since on 5 July and 20 September 2017. The decisions lists from these meetings are attached at Appendix 1 and Appendix 2 (TO FOLLOW).

Recommended –

That the information provided in this update be considered and noted.

(Andrew Redding - 01274 432678)

9. CHILDREN'S SERVICES OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE WORK PROGRAMME 2017-18

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The report of the Chair of Children's Services Overview and Scrutiny Committee (**Document "H"**) presents the Committee's Work Programme 2017-18.

Recommended -

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

(Licia Woodhead – 01274 432119)