

## **Decisions of the Children's Services Overview and Scrutiny Committee on Wednesday, 14 February 2018**

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### **Decisions**

#### **4. PROGRESS REPORT ON CHILDREN'S CENTRE CLUSTERS**

##### **Resolved -**

- (1) That the Executive be requested to take account of the views expressed by the Committee in respect of the future of the Children's Centre Clusters as follows:**
  - (a) The Committee recognises the imperative for meaningful contact and assessment of the needs of children and their families at their house door and therefore the need for an appropriate number of frontline workers.**
  - (b) The model should be applied flexibly across the district.**
  - (c) Further consideration should be given to the implications of the retention and cost of under used buildings.**
  - (d) Further consideration should be given to the alternative model put forward by the Nursery Schools.**
  - (e) The Committee calls for greater co-operation between partners to link IT systems and improve the pathway of referrals.**
  - (f) The Committee recognises and expresses thanks for the commitment and skills of those supporting our young people and families.**
- (2) That the Chair lobby the Government, on behalf of the Committee, to review its funding proposals which clearly have a detrimental impact upon those children and families in greatest need and the areas of greatest deprivation.**

**ACTION:**     **Strategic Director, Children's Services**  
                  **Interim City Solicitor**  
                  **Scrutiny Lead**

(Lynn Donohue/Susan Moreau – 01274 439606/431390)

#### **5. EDUCATIONAL STANDARDS 2017 - EARLY YEARS TO KEY STAGE 5 - FINAL REPORT**

##### **Resolved-**

- (1) That the report on the performance of Bradford's Children and Young People in Key Stage tests for 2017 (Document "AB"), which highlights the improvement in attainment for Bradford's young people, be welcomed.
- (2) That all Elected Members be requested to continue to encourage families in their wards to become more actively engaged with their children's learning and attendance in order to further improve their children's learning capacity and resilience.

**ACTION:** *Strategic Director, Children's Services*

(Judith Kirk – 01274 431078)

6. **PROPOSALS FOR THE RESTRUCTURE OF SPECIAL EDUCATIONAL NEEDS AND DISABILITIES (SEND) SPECIALIST TEACHING SUPPORT SERVICES FOR CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE WITH SEND**

**Resolved –**

**That Document "AC" be noted.**

**ACTION:** *Strategic Director, Children's Services*

(Judith Kirk – 01274 439255)

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

**Resolved -**

**That an item be added to the Committee's Work Programme in respect of those young people who do not attend mainstream school and are being educated in alternative provision.**

**ACTION:** *Scrutiny Lead*

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