

## Agenda for a meeting of the Children's Services Overview and Scrutiny Committee to be held on Wednesday, 23 March 2022 at 4.30 pm in the Council Chamber, City Hall, Bradford

### Members of the Committee – Councillors

LABOUR	CONSERVATIVE	LIBERAL DEMOCRAT	BRADFORD INDEPENDENT GROUP
Alipoor Choudhry Humphreys Jamil Mohammed	Winnard Pollard	Stubbs	Sajawal

### Alternates:

LABOUR	CONSERVATIVE	LIBERAL DEMOCRAT	BRADFORD INDEPENDENT GROUP
Firth H Khan Mir Wood	K Green Felstead	Knox	

### VOTING CO-OPTED MEMBERS:

Joyce Simpson Church Representative (CE)  
Fauzia Raza Parent Governor Representative

### NON VOTING CO-OPTED MEMBERS

Tom Bright Teachers Secondary School Representative  
Dr Samina Karim Children's Social Care 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 9 February 2022 be signed as a correct record (previously circulated).**

(Jill Bell/Kanwal Amrez –07970 43716 / 07929 070288 )

#### 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/Kanwal Amrez –07970 43716 / 07929 070288)

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

To consider referrals that have been made to this Committee.

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.

### B. OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY ACTIVITIES

#### 6. MONITORING OF THE CHILDREN'S SOCIAL CARE IMPROVEMENT PLAN

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The report of the Strategic Director of Children's Services (**Document "AA"**) will present the improvement plan that has been revised to make it more outcome focused and more streamlined so we can quickly accelerate the improvement Ofsted require in key areas and make sure that we see better outcomes for children and young people.

**Recommended –**

**That the Committee notes the contents of this report and the progress being made.**

(Mariam Haque – 01274 436625)

#### 7. YOUNG CARERS

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The report of the Strategic Director of Children's Services (**Document "AB"**) provides an annual update, specifically focusing on performance, targets and standards, as requested.

The Young Carers Service is a commissioned service which meets the Council's statutory duty to provide an assessment for Young Carers, as well as providing other resources following assessment. The Carers Resource currently holds the contract.

Appendix 1 shows the actual data from Quarter 3 and Appendix 2 is a graphical representation of some of the key data.

**Recommended -**

- (1) That the Committee receive Document "AB for information, note the progress and support continued development in our jointly commissioned service.**
- (2) That the Committee to continue to receive annual reports from the service.**

(Cath Dew – 01274 437949)

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