

Decision Summary

Committee:

Date:

Committee Clerk:

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CHILDREN'S SCRUTINY PANEL

WEDNESDAY 9 AUGUST 2017

Yolande Myers

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Chair

Councillor Cahal Burke

Councillors Attended

D Bellamy, F Fadia, P Kane and A U Pinnock

Apologies

Councillor Robert Light and Fatima Khan-Shah (Co-Optee)

1 Membership of the Committee

This is where Councillors who are attending as substitutes will say for whom they are attending.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Robert Light and Fatima Khan-Shah (Co-optee).

2 Interests

The Councillors will be asked to say if there are any items on the Agenda in which they have disclosable pecuniary interests, which would prevent them from participating in any discussion of the items or participating in any vote upon the items, or any other interests.

No interests were declared.

3 Admission of the Public

Most debates take place in public. This only changes when there is a need to consider certain issues, for instance, commercially sensitive information or details concerning an individual. You will be told at this point whether there are any items on the Agenda which are to be discussed in private.

Agreed that all items be considered in the public session.

4 Leadership arrangements and priorities for Children's Services in 2017/18

To consider the work which is taking place in Children's Services in Kirklees, the new leadership and management arrangements and the issues and priorities for attention in 2017/18.

Contact: Steve Walker, Director for Children's Services – 01484 221000

- 1) That the current leadership arrangements in Children's Services be noted.
 - 2) That the priority areas of focus for the Leadership Team and Management Team be noted and considered as part of planning the work programme.
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5 Ofsted - Update on monitoring visit

To consider the outcome of the recent Ofsted monitoring visit (June 2017) and the issues to be addressed in our improvement plan and performance in 2017/18.

Contact: Steve Walker, Director for Children's Services – 01484 221000

- 1) That the OFSTED monitoring visit outcomes be noted, including the limited progress made.
 - 2) That the issues raised by the report, including recruitment and retention be picked up as part of work programming.
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6 Draft work programme for the Panel

To consider the draft work programme for the Children's Scrutiny Panel

- (a) Guide to overview and scrutiny in 2017/18
- (b) Potential items for the draft work programme for the Children's Services Panel in 2017/18

Contact: Yolande Myers, Governance and Democratic Engagement Officer – 01484 221000

- 1) That the work programme be drafted as agreed at the meeting, with particular focus on;
 - The improvement journey – quarterly
 - Corporate Parenting – including fostering and adoption
 - Elective Home Education
 - Special Needs Education
 - 2) That update briefing notes be provided where in depth work is not required.
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7 Schedule of Meetings 2017/18

To consider arrangements for meetings of the Children's Scrutiny Panel for 2017/18.

(Please bring your diary for this item).

Contact: Yolande Myers, Governance and Democratic Engagement Officer - 01484 221000.

- 1) That the next meeting of the Panel be held on a Monday at 11am. This arrangement to be reviewed as required.
 - 2) That the next meeting focus on Corporate Parenting.
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