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## **Notice of Meeting**

Dear Member

### **Children's Scrutiny Panel**

The **Children's Scrutiny Panel** will meet in the **Council Chamber - Town Hall, Huddersfield** at **11.00 am** on **Friday 8 November 2019**.

This meeting will be webcast live and will be available to view via the Council's website.

The items which will be discussed are described in the agenda and there are reports attached which give more details.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Julie Muscroft", on a light-colored background.

**Julie Muscroft**

**Service Director – Legal, Governance and Commissioning**

Kirklees Council advocates openness and transparency as part of its democratic processes. Anyone wishing to record (film or audio) the public parts of the meeting should inform the Chair/Clerk of their intentions prior to the meeting.

## **The Children's Scrutiny Panel members are:-**

### **Member**

Councillor Andrew Marchington (Chair)

Councillor Aafaq Butt

Councillor Paul Davies

Councillor Amanda Pinnock

Councillor Richard Smith

Councillor Paul White

Toni Bromley (Co-Optee)

Dale O'Neill (Co-Optee)

Linda Summers (Co-Optee)

# Agenda

## Reports or Explanatory Notes Attached

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Pages

**1: Membership of the Committee**

To receive apologies for absence of Members who are unable to attend the meeting.

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**2: Interests**

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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.

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**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.

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**4: Deputations/Petitions**

The Committee will receive any petitions and hear any deputations from members of the public. A deputation is where up to five people can attend the meeting and make a presentation on some particular issue of concern. A member of the public can also hand in a petition at the meeting but that petition should relate to something on which the body has powers and responsibilities.

In accordance with Council Procedure Rule 10 (2), Members of the Public should provide at least 24 hours' notice of presenting a deputation.

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- 5: Number and Age of Children in Care** 3 - 10
- The Panel will consider a report giving an update on the number and age of children in care.
- Contact Officer: Steve Comb, Head of Corporate Parenting (Sufficiency)
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- 6: Update on repeat referrals and second time on Care Protection plan** 11 - 18
- The Panel will consider a report giving an update on repeat referrals and second time on Care Protection plan.
- Contact Officer: Elaine McShane, Service Director (Family Support and Child Protection)
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- 7: Early Support Partnership** 19 - 28
- The Panel will consider a report giving an update on the Early Support Partnership.
- Contact Officer: Michelle Wheatcroft, Head of Service (Early Support)
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- 8: Almondbury Community School Update**
- The Panel will receive a verbal update on Almondbury Community School and the transitional arrangements for school places from September 2020.
- Contact Officer: Jo-Anne Sanders, Service Director (Learning and Early Support)
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- 9: Children's Scrutiny Panel Work Programme and agenda plan for 2019/20** 29 - 38
- Members of the Panel will consider the work programme and agenda plan for the 2019/20 and will consider issues for inclusion.
- Officer: Helen Kilroy, Principal Governance and Democratic Engagement Officer
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