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Notice of Meeting

Dear Member

Children's Scrutiny Panel

The **Children's Scrutiny Panel** will meet in a **Virtual Meeting - online** at **2.00 pm** on **Thursday 25 February 2021**.

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.

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Julie Muscroft

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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:-

Councillor Andrew Marchington

(Chair)

Councillor Yusra Hussain

Councillor Amanda Pinnock

Councillor Richard Smith

Councillor Paul White

Vacancy

Toni Bromley (Co-Optee)

Dale O'Neill (Co-Optee)

Linda Summers (Co-Optee)

Agenda

Reports or Explanatory Notes Attached

Pages

1: Membership of the Committee

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

2: Minutes of the Previous Meeting

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To approve the Minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on the 14th January 2021.

3: 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.

4: 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.

5: 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.

6: Public Question Time

The Board will hear any questions from the general public. Due to Covid-19 restrictions, questions should be emailed to executive.governance@kirklees.gov.uk no later than 10am on 24th February 2021.

7: Number and age of children in care 9 - 14

The Panel will consider a report providing information relating to the number and profile of children in our care, including information related to the number of children in care placed outside of the District.

Contact Officer: Julie Bragg, Head of Corporate Parenting (Children in Care and Care Leavers)

8: Update on Engagement of Family Hubs 15 - 26

The Panel will consider a verbal update on the Engagement of Family Hubs. Attached as background information is the Cabinet report approved on the 15th December 2020 on Proposal for the early help offer for children, young people and families.

Contact Officers: Jackie Beever, Service Manager Early Support and Michelle Wheatcroft, Head of Service Early Support

9: Children's Scrutiny Panel Work Programme and Agenda Plan for 2020/21 27 - 34

Members of the Panel will consider the work programme and agenda plan for the 2020/21 municipal year and will consider issues for inclusion during the 2021/22 municipal year.

Contact Officer: Helen Kilroy, Assistant Democracy Manager
