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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 **2.00 pm** on **Monday 23 January 2023**.

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

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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:-

Member

Councillor Andrew Marchington
(Chair)

Councillor Ammar Anwar

Councillor Elizabeth Reynolds

Councillor James Homewood

Councillor Richard Smith

Councillor Paul White

Oliver Gibson (Co-Optee)

Toni Bromley (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.

That the Panel note the resignation of Graeme Sunderland, Voluntary Co-optee, who recently resigned from the role.

2: Minutes of the Previous Meeting

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To approve the Minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on the 31st October 2022.

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.

7: Performance Data (Children's Services) - update on highlights

The Panel will consider a verbal update on the performance highlights from the latest Children's Services data report.

Contact: Jo-Anne Sanders, Service Director
Elaine McShane, Service Director
Tom Brailsford, Service Director

8: Budget process - Children's Services

The Panel will consider a verbal update on the Budget Process for Children's Services.

Contact: Mel Meggs, Director of Children's Services

9: Pre-decision Scrutiny - Cabinet decisions on the horizon

The Panel will consider any potential areas of pre-decision scrutiny in accordance with any cabinet decisions relating to children and young people which are on the horizon and receive updates from Senior Officers in Children's Services.

Contact: Jo-Anne Sanders, Service Director
Tom Brailsford, Service Director
Elaine McShane, Service Director

10: Feedback from Panel Members on issues considered by Corporate Parenting Board

Panel Members who attend the Corporate Parenting Board, will feedback on key areas of focus considered by the Board, which will be of interest to the Panel.

11: Children's Scrutiny Panel Work Programme 2022-23

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The Panel will consider the proposed areas of focus and activity for the 2022/23 municipal year and discuss the method and means to be used to continue the Panel's work going forward.

Contact: Helen Kilroy, Assistant Democracy Manager
