Children & Young People Select Committee

A meeting of Children & Young People Select Committee was held on Wednesday, 20th February, 2013.

Present: Cllr Barbara Inman (Chairman), Cllr Carol Clark, Cllr Michael Clark, Cllr Ben Houchen, Cllr Elliot Kennedy, Cllr Ken Lupton, Cllr Ray McCall

Officers: Jane Wright (CESC); Lesley King (P); Michelle Jones, Fiona McKie, Judith Trainer (LD).

Also in attendance: Cllr Ann McCoy (Cabinet Member)

Apologies: were submitted on Cllr Ross Patterson, Cllr Tracey Stott, Mrs Ione Branton.

1 Declarations of Interest

Cllr Ken Lupton declared a personal/non prejudicial interest in relation to Agenda Item No. 5 - Healthwatch and NHS Complaints Advocacy Update further to being a Board Member of North Tees and Hartlepool NHS Foundation Trust.

2 Minutes for Signing - 21st November, 2012

The minutes of the meeting held on 21st November 2012 were signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

AGREED that the minutes were signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

3 Minutes of Previous Meeting - 19th December, 2012

Consideration was given to the draft minutes of the meeting held on 19th December 2012.

AGREED that the draft minutes be approved.

4 Healthwatch and NHS Complaints Advocacy Update

Members were provided with a report that provided information on the role of Healthwatch and progress towards the commissioning of Healthwatch Stockton-on-Tees and the NHS complaints advocacy service by Stockton Borough Council from April 2013 in compliance with its statutory duties identified in the Health and Social Care Act.

AGREED that:-

1. Progress to date be noted.

2. The role of Local Healthwatch in relation to this Committee be noted.
3. A presentation by the Local Healthwatch provider and the NHS complaints advocacy provider be held on 11th April as part of the Member Seminar programme.

5 Scrutiny Review of Quality and Sufficiency of Childcare

Consideration was given to the draft report for the Scrutiny Review of Quality

and Sufficiency of Childcare. Members considered each recommendation individually and agreed the final report.

AGREED that the final report be accepted and forwarded to Executive Scrutiny Committee prior to submission to Cabinet for approval.

6 Work Programme

Members were informed that the suggestions for review topics would be presented to Scrutiny Liaison Forum on 12th March for consideration then to Executive Scrutiny Committee on 26th March for final agreement.

AGREED that the update be noted.

7 Chair's Update

There was no Chair's update at this meeting.