

Children & Young People Select Committee

A meeting of Children & Young People Select Committee was held on Wednesday, 19th February, 2014.

Present: Cllr Carol Clark(Chairman), Cllr Norma Stephenson O.B.E(Vice-Chairman), Cllr Barbara Inman, Cllr Elliot Kennedy, Cllr Terry Laing (vice-Cllr Ken Lupton) Cllr Ross Patterson, Cllr Tracey Stott, Cllr Mrs Sylvia Walmsley,

Officers: Jane Humphreys, Lynda Brown, Dave Willingham (CESC) Richard Poundford (DNS) Judith Trainer, Michelle Jones (LD)

Also in attendance:

Apologies: Cllr Ben Houchen, Cllr Ken Lupton,

1 Declarations of Interest

There were no interests declared

2 Minutes for Signature - 28th November 2013

The minutes of the meeting held on 28 November 2013 were signed by the chair as a correct record.

3 Draft Minutes - 22nd January 2014

Consideration was given to the minutes of the meeting held on 22 January 2014.

AGREED the minutes be approved.

4 Scrutiny Review of Employment and Education

The Committee reviewed a summary of evidence that had been presented to the Committee throughout the review. The review has sought to establish how education and business can work together to ensure that learning provision matches local industry need and will focus on the 14 – 19 age group (25 years for young people with learning difficulties and/or disabilities (LDD)).

The Committee had taken evidence in relation to three stands:

- Demand
- Provision and Performance
- Participation and Support

The Committee formulated draft recommendations which sought to encourage closer working between local businesses and employers, schools and post 16 education providers.

Members would receive the draft final report at the next meeting.

AGREED that the information be noted and that the recommendations be

included in the final report for consideration at the next meeting of the Select Committee prior to submission to Cabinet on 24 April 2014.

5 Work Programme

Members considered the Committee's work programme and it was noted that the draft final report would be presented to the next meeting.

The Committee were asked to forward any topics they would like to review in the next municipal year for consideration by Scrutiny Liaison Forum and Executive Scrutiny Committee.