

Children & Young People Select Committee

A meeting of Children & Young People Select Committee was held on Tuesday, 3rd March, 2015.

Present: Cllr Carol Clark (Chairman), Cllr Norma Stephenson O.B.E.(Vice-Chairman), Cllr Barbara Inman, Cllr Ken Lupton, Cllr Ross Patterson, Cllr Tracey Stott, Cllr Mrs Sylvia Walmsley, Norah Moffat, Linda Brown

Officers: Lynda Brown (CESC), Jane Wright (CESC), Karen Taylor (CESC), Diane McConnell, Shaun McLurg (CESC), Jane Humphreys (CESC)

Also in attendance: Tony Beckwith (Healthwatch)

Apologies:

CYP 58/14 Evacuation Procedure

The evacuation procedure was noted

CYP 59/14 Apologies for absence

There were no apologies.

CYP 60/14 Declarations of Interest

No declarations of interest were made.

CYP 61/14 Minutes for Signature - 14th January 2015

The minutes of the meeting held on 14th January 2015 were signed by the Chair as a correct record.

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

CYP 62/14 Draft Minutes - 26th February 2015 (to follow)

AGREED that the minutes be presented at a subsequent meeting.

CYP 63/14 Scrutiny Review of School Organisation and Admission Arrangements

The Chair reminded Members that the original aim of the Select Committee review; to ensure that the process and criteria for identifying priorities for 2014/15 has been transparent and robust and then to be involved in ensuring that the statutory public consultation is carried out appropriately. The Committee would also consider the consultation feedback and would be scrutinising the outcomes and report to Cabinet on recommendations in March 2015, prior to lodging with Secretary of State in April 2015.

AGREED that the Committee is satisfied that the recommendations going forward to Cabinet have taken into account feedback received and acknowledges that there are a number of outstanding issues which need to be considered and welcomes involvement in further work later in the year.

CYP Scrutiny Review of Transition from Primary to Secondary - Draft Final

64/14 Report

Consideration was given to the draft final report for the Scrutiny Review of Transition from Primary to Secondary. 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.

CYP 65/14 Task and Finish Scrutiny Review of Child Sexual Exploitation - final report

Consideration was given to the final draft report of the Scrutiny Review of Child Sexual Exploitation.

Officers informed Members that the Children and Young People Select Committee Task and Finish Group had agreed to remove Recommendation 3:

- "the Adult Health and Wellbeing Partnership be asked to consider the adult sex trade and sexual exploitations more wider and whether a co-ordinated strategy is needed to tackle the issue."
- Officers informed Members that the Community Safety Partnership were considering this issue and appropriate text had been included elsewhere in the report.

Members and Officers discussed issues regarding the disclosure of data presented within the draft final report and it was agreed that the detailed age breakdown of children being considered under the VEMT arrangements should be removed in order to protect individual identities.

AGREED that the final report be accepted and forwarded to Executive Scrutiny Committee, subject to the above amendments prior to submission to Cabinet.