

## Children & Young People Select Committee

A meeting of Children & Young People Select Committee was held on Wednesday, 2nd May, 2018.

**Present:** Cllr Carol Clark(Chairman), Cllr Barbara Inman(Vice-Chairman), Cllr Evaline Cunningham, Cllr Elsi Hampton, Cllr Di Hewitt, Cllr Ross Patterson, Cllr Paul Rowling, Cllr Mrs Sylvia Walmsley, Cllr Sally Ann Watson, Nora Moffat, Peter Snowden, Mrs Neelam un Kabir, Katie Slack

**Officers:** Martin Gray, Dianne McConnell, Joanne Mills (Children's Services), Peter Mennear, Annette Sotheby (DCE).

**Also in attendance:**

**Apologies:** Cllr Paul Rowling

### **CYP      Evacuation Procedure**

**8/18**

The evacuation procedure was noted.

### **CYP      Declarations of Interest**

**9/18**

There were no declarations of interest noted.

### **CYP      Scrutiny Review of Inclusion in Schools**

**10/18**

Members were provided with a copy of the draft submission to the Department for Education's Call for Evidence on Exclusions. A number of additions were suggested by the Committee to include: more information on the impact on the Pupil Referral Unit and alternative education, and concerns relating to elective home education.

Members also discussed feedback from the recent visits to schools and the various approaches taken. Members had visited North Shore, Outwood Academy Bishopsgarth, and St Michael's Academy.

It was noted that some schools were under great pressure to rapidly improve and this may be influencing the approaches taken within some Academy Trusts.

Members were keen to see that where interventions were made with individual pupils to address and understand their behaviours, enough time needed to be given for these to work.

It was also agreed to develop and submit a response to the Department for Education's separate Call for Evidence on Home Education.

**AGREED:**

- 1) The submission to the Call for Evidence on Exclusions be amended following discussion at the meeting.
- 2) The response be submitted to the Department for Education
- 3) A response to the Home Education Call for Evidence be developed.

**CYP      Work Programme 2018-19**

**11/18**

AGREED that the Work Programme be noted.

**CYP      Chair's Update**

**12/18**

The Chair had nothing further to report.