

# **Children, Education and Housing Overview and Scrutiny Committee**

A meeting of the Children, Education and Housing Overview and Scrutiny Committee will be held in the Jeffrey Room, The Guildhall, St Giles Street, Northampton NN1 1DE on Monday 25 September 2023 at 6.00pm

### **Agenda**

1.	Apologies for Absence and Notification of Substitute Members
2.	Declarations of Interest
	Members are asked to declare any interest and the nature of that interest which they may have in any of the items under consideration at this meeting.
3.	Minutes (Pages 5 - 12)
	To confirm the Minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 19 June 2023.
4.	Chair's Announcements
	To receive communications from the Chair.
5.	Severe Weather Emergency Protocol (Pages 13 - 26)
	To consider the operation of the Severe Weather Emergency Protocol in West Northamptonshire.
6.	Children and Young People's Short Breaks and Respite – Proposed New Model and Engagement (Pages 27 - 100)
	To consider and provide input in the development of a proposed new model for short break services for children with disabilities.

## 7. Response to the child and adolescent mental health and the risk of self-harm scrutiny review (Pages 101 - 110)

To consider an update on responses to the scrutiny review reported to the Cabinet and whether any further action by the Committee is necessary.

## 8. Task and finish scrutiny review of support for foster carers in West Northamptonshire (To Follow)

To agree the proposed plan for the scrutiny review.

#### 9. **Review of Committee Work Programme** (Pages 111 - 114)

To review and note the Committee Work Programme.

#### 10. Urgent Business

The Chair to advise whether they have agreed to any items of urgent business being admitted to the agenda.

#### 11. Exclusion of Press and Public

In respect of the following items the Chair may move the resolution set out below, on the grounds that if the public were present it would be likely that exempt information (information regarded as private for the purposes of the Local Government Act 1972) would be disclosed to them: The Committee is requested to resolve: "That under Section 100A of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded from the meeting for the following item(s) of business on the grounds that if the public were present it would be likely that exempt information under Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Act of the descriptions against each item would be disclosed to them."

Catherine Whitehead Proper Officer 15 September 2023

#### Children, Education and Housing Overview and Scrutiny Committee Members:

Councillor Andrew Grant (Chair) Councillor Stephen Hibbert (Vice-Chair)

Councillor Harry Barrett Councillor Sally Beardsworth

Councillor Imran Ahmed Chowdhury BEM Councillor Louisa Fowler

Councillor Cheryl Hawes Councillor Azizur Rahman

Councillor Zoe Smith Councillor Nick Sturges-Alex

Councillor Mike Warren

#### Information about this Agenda

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#### **Declarations of Interest**

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