

**Summary of the decisions taken at the meeting of the
People Overview and Scrutiny Committee held on
Tuesday 21 February 2023**

Agenda Item and Recommendations	Decision
<p>Agenda Item 3 Minutes</p>	<p>RESOLVED: That the People Overview and Scrutiny Committee agreed the minutes of the meeting on 8 December 2022 as an accurate record.</p>
<p>Agenda Item 4 Chair's Announcements</p>	<p>RESOLVED: That the People Overview and Scrutiny Committee agreed to write to the Department for Education and local MPs regarding the difficulties experienced in relation to its request to meet with the Regional Director.</p>
<p>Agenda Item 5 Debt and Money Advice Transformation Project</p>	<p>RESOLVED: That the People Overview and Scrutiny Committee:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Noted the progress made to date with the Transformation Project. b) Preferred the hybrid option of the four potential options identified for future service delivery. c) Requested that an overview of issues relating to individual debt in West Northamptonshire, and the Council's approach to debt recovery, be presented to the Committee at an appropriate future meeting. d) Recommended that consideration be given to holding a workshop session for councillors and other stakeholders as part of further work to develop plans for the future Debt and Money Advice service. e) Requested that more detailed plans for the future Debt and Money Advice service to be developed be presented to the Committee at an appropriate future meeting.

<p>Agenda Item 6 Report of the Child and Adolescent Mental Health and the Risk of Self-Harm Task and Finish Panel</p>	<p>RESOLVED: That the People Overview and Scrutiny Committee agreed the report of the Child and Adolescent Mental Health and Risk of Self-Harm Task and Finish Panel subject to the removal of information which could potentially have identified a former child in care.</p>
<p>Agenda Item 7 Scope for scrutiny of support for children with Special Educational Needs and/or Disabilities (SEND)</p>	<p>RESOLVED:</p> <p>That the People Overview and Scrutiny Committee agreed the draft scope for the task and finish scrutiny review of support for children with SEND subject to the following amendments:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Key lines of enquiry, bullet point 3, add: ‘giving specific consideration to the capacity in the EHCP team.’ • Key lines of enquiry, add: ‘Does the new SEND strategy meet key legal requirements?’ • Information required, background data, add: ‘Information on school attendance.’ • Information required, background data, add: ‘Information on current staffing and analysis of future needs’ • Information required, views from external expert advisers, add: ‘Schools/SENCOs’ • Information required, views from external expert advisers, bullet point 1, remove: ‘representatives of’. <p>That the People Overview and Scrutiny Committee appointed Councillor Harry Barrett to chair the panel.</p>
<p>Agenda Item 8 Review of Committee Work Programme</p>	<p>RESOLVED: That the People Overview and Scrutiny Committee:</p> <p>a) Agreed the following items of business for its meeting on 24 April 2023</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Housing Allocation Policy • Fostering service <p>b) Noted the updated work programme.</p>