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Children and Young People's Services Scrutiny Committee

A meeting of the committee will be held at **10.00 am** on **Thursday, 9 January 2020** at **County Hall, Chichester**.

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Agenda

- 10.00 am 1. **Declarations of Interests**
- Members and officers must declare any pecuniary or personal interest in any business on the agenda. They should also make declarations at any stage such an interest becomes apparent during the meeting. Consideration should be given to leaving the meeting if the nature of the interest warrants it. If in doubt please contact Democratic Services before the meeting.
- 10.00 am 2. **Minutes of the last meeting of the Committee** (Pages 5 - 10)
- The Committee is asked to agree the minutes of the meeting held on 4 December 2019 (cream paper).
- 10.05 am 3. **Urgent Matters**
- Items not on the agenda which the Chairman of the meeting is of the opinion should be considered as a matter of urgency by reason of special circumstances, including cases where the Committee needs to be informed of budgetary or performance issues affecting matters within its terms of reference, which have emerged since the publication of the agenda.
- 10.05 am 4. **Responses to Recommendations** (Pages 11 - 12)
- The Committee is asked to note the responses to recommendations made at the 4 December 2019 meeting from

the Cabinet Member for Education and Skills – to follow.

- 10.10 am 5. **Forward Plan of Key Decisions** (Pages 13 - 24)
- Extract from the Forward Plan dated 27 December 2019 – attached.
- An extract from any Forward Plan published between the date of despatch of the agenda and the date of the meeting will be tabled at the meeting.
- The Committee is asked to consider whether it wishes to enquire into any of the forthcoming decisions within its portfolio.
- 10.15 am 6. **Report from the Small Schools Task and Finish Group** (Pages 25 - 28)
- Report by the Director of Law and Assurance.
- The Committee are asked to consider and discuss the recommendations of the TFG and agree a response to the Cabinet Member for Education and Skills, prior to decision by Cabinet.
- 10.35 am 7. **Small Schools Proposals** (Pages 29 - 58)
- Report by the Director of Law and Assurance.
- The Committee is asked to consider the draft Cabinet decision report and provide comment to the Cabinet Member for Education and Skills prior to the formal decision being taken.
- 11.35 am 8. **School Funding 2020/21** (Pages 59 - 72)
- Report by the Director of Law and Assurance.
- The Committee is asked to consider the draft decision report and provide comment to the Cabinet Member for Education and Skills prior to the formal decision being taken.
- The Committee will break for lunch for 30 minutes at 12.20**
- 12.50 pm 9. **Children First Improvement Update** (Pages 73 - 84)
- Report by the Executive Director of Children, Young People and Learning.
- The report updates the Committee on developments in the Children First Programme since its last meeting in December.
- 1.50 pm 10. **Business Planning Group Report** (Pages 85 - 90)
- The report informs the Committee of the Business Planning

Group meeting held on 25 November 2019, setting out the key issues discussed.

The Committee is asked to endorse the contents of this report, and particularly the Committee's Work Programme revised to reflect the Business Planning Group's discussions (attached at Appendix A).

2.00 pm 11. **Possible Items for Future Scrutiny**

Members to mention any items which they believe to be of relevance to the business of the Select Committee, and suitable for scrutiny, e.g. raised with them by constituents arising from central government initiatives etc.

If any member puts forward such an item, the Committee's role at this meeting is just to assess, briefly, whether to refer the matter to its Business Planning Group (BPG) to consider in detail.

2.05 pm 12. **Requests for Call-In**

There have been no requests for call-in to the Select Committee and within its constitutional remit since the date of the last meeting. The Director of Law and Assurance will report any requests since the publication of the agenda papers.

2.05 pm 13. **Date of Next Meeting**

The next meeting of the Committee will be held on 4 March 2020 at 10.30 am at County Hall, Chichester.

Any member wishing to place an item on the agenda for the meeting must notify the Director of Law and Assurance by 21 February 2020.

To all members of the Children and Young People's Services Scrutiny Committee

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