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## **Children and Young People's Services Select Committee**

A meeting of the committee will be held at **2.00 pm** on **Wednesday, 17 July 2019** at **County Hall, Chichester**.

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### **Agenda**

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| 2.00 pm | <b>1.      Declarations of Interests</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
|         | 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. |
| 2.00 pm | <b>2.      Minutes of the last meeting of the Committee</b> (Pages 5 - 12)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
|         | The Committee is asked to agree the minutes of the meeting held on 19 June 2019 (cream paper).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| 2.00 pm | <b>3.      Urgent Matters</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
|         | 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.             |
| 2.10 pm | <b>4.      Forward Plan of Key Decisions</b> (Pages 13 - 22)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
|         | Extract from the Forward Plan dated 8 July 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.

2.20 pm      5.      **Adoption of an Improvement Plan for Children's Services**  
(Pages 23 - 26)

Report by the Director of Children's Services.

The County Council's Children's Services were the subject of an inspection by Ofsted in late February/early March 2019. The report detailing the inspection outcome was published on 8 May 2019 with the inspectors finding the overall effectiveness of Children's Services to be 'inadequate'.

In response, an Improvement Plan is being developed to address the findings of the report and set out how the County Council will implement the necessary measures to deliver improvement within Children's Services.

The Committee is asked to consider the draft Cabinet Member decision report, and the appended draft Improvement Plan document, and provide comment to the Cabinet Member for Children and Young People prior to the formal decision to adopt the Plan being taken later in July 2019.

3.20 pm      6.      **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.

3.25 pm      7.      **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.

3.30 pm      8.      **Date of Next Meeting**

The next meeting of the Committee will be held on 11 September 2019 at 10.30 am at County Hall, Chichester. Probable agenda items include:

- Regional Adoption Agency
- SEND Strategy

Any member wishing to place an item on the agenda for the meeting must notify the Director of Law and Assurance by 30 August 2019.

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

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