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Children and Young People's Services Scrutiny Committee

A meeting of the Committee will be held at **10.30 am** on **Wednesday, 9 March 2022** at **County Hall, Chichester, PO19 1RQ**.

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Agenda

- 10.31 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.
- 10.32 am 2. **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.
- 10.33 am 3. **Minutes of the last meeting of the Committee** (Pages 5 - 10)
- The Committee is asked to agree the minutes of the meeting held on 12 January 2022 (cream paper).

- 10.38 am 4. **Responses to Recommendations** (Pages 11 - 12)
- The Committee is asked to note the responses to recommendations made at the 12 January 2022 meeting.
- 10.43 am 5. **Performance and Resources Report - Quarter 3** (Pages 13 - 48)
- Report by the Director of Law and Assurance, setting out the finance and performance position as at the end of December 2021.
- The Committee are asked to examine the Council's corporate performance, finance, savings delivery and business performance for the services within the remit of this Committee and make any recommendations for action to the relevant Cabinet Member.
- 11.28 am 6. **Children First Improvement Update**
- Reports by the Executive Director of Children Young People and Learning.
- (a) **Children First Update** (Pages 49 - 60)
- This item updates the Committee on the key developments and progress made on the Children First Programme since the last Committee meeting.
- (b) **Fostering Service Redesign Phase 2** (Pages 61 - 72)
- This report outlines the proposals for Phase 2 of the Fostering Service Redesign. The Committee is asked to scrutinise the proposals and provide any recommendations to the Cabinet Member prior to a decision being taken.
- 12.28 pm 7. **Work Programme Planning and Possible items for Future Scrutiny** (Pages 73 - 98)
- The Committee is asked to agree its draft work programme (Appendix A), which reflects the outcome of the discussions at the Committee's Business Planning Group meeting held on 2 February 2022, in accordance with the scrutiny checklist attached (Appendix B).
- The Committee is asked to review the Forward Plan entries relevant to its remit (Appendix C) and consider whether it wishes to enquire about any of the forthcoming decisions within its portfolio.
- 12.33 pm 8. **Requests for Call-In**
- There have been no requests for call-in to the Scrutiny Committee 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.

12.38 pm 9. **Date of Next Meeting**

The next meeting of the Committee will be held on 8 June 2022 at 10.30 am at County Hall, Chichester. Probable agenda items include:

- Children First Improvement update – To focus on feedback from the Ofsted monitoring visit and preparation for next; Commissioner’s report to the Secretary of State and the transformation programme risk register.
- Draft Education and Skills Strategy

Any member wishing to place an item on the agenda for the meeting must notify the Director of Law and Assurance by 23 May 2022.

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

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