

Meeting CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE'S COMMITTEE

Date 9<sup>th</sup> December 2013 (commencing at 10.30am)

#### Membership

Persons absent are marked with an 'A'

#### COUNCILLORS

John Peck JP (Chairman) Liz Plant (Vice-Chairman)

John Allin Boyd Elliott Kate Foale Alice Grice Keith Longdon Philip Owen Sue Saddington Jacky Williams John Wilmott

Ex-officio (non-voting)

A Alan Rhodes

### **CO-OPTED MEMBERS (NON-VOTING)**

A Ms Gail Neill

A Mr James Parry

Mr David Richards JP

A Mr John Rudd

### **OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE**

Sara Allmond Policy, Planning and Corporate Services Children. Families and Cultural Services **Jude Burgess** Georgina Carnill Children, Families and Cultural Services Children, Families and Cultural Services Rachel Coombs Children, Families and Cultural Services Niki Coupe Mark Evans Children. Families and Cultural Services Children, Families and Cultural Services Chris Harrison Jon Hawketts Children, Families and Cultural Services Alison Holloway Children. Families and Cultural Services Children, Families and Cultural Services **Anthony May** Philippa Milbourne Children, Families and Cultural Services Janeen Parker Children, Families and Cultural Services John Slater Children, Families and Cultural Services

### **MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING**

The minutes of the meeting held on 11 November 2013, having been circulated to all Members, were taken as read and were confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

### **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

An apology for absence was received from Mr John Rudd (other reasons).

### **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Councillor Alice Grice declared a private interest in item 12 – Annie Holgate Community Infant & Nursery and Annie Holgate Community Junior Schools, Hucknall – outcome of Sections 11 and 15 Notice: Schools Adjudicator's decision, as she was a Local Authority appointed Governor at the School.

### A STRATEGY FOR CLOSING THE EDUCATIONAL GAPS IN NOTTINGHAMSHIRE – SIX MONTHLY REVIEW

Janeen Parker gave a presentation, showed a DVD on the Strategy for Closing the Educational Gap in Nottinghamshire and responded to questions and comments from Members.

### **RESOLVED 2013/084**

- 1) That the success of the Closing the Gap Strategy be noted.
- 2) That the Committee continues to monitor the Strategy by receiving sixmonthly review reports.

# EDUCATION, HEALTH AND CARE (EHC) PLANS: UPDATE ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF NEW ARRANGEMENTS FOR ASSESSING THE NEEDS OF CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE WITH SPECIAL EDUCATIONAL NEEDS AND DISABILITY (SEND)

Chris Harrison, Mark Evans and Alison Holloway gave a presentation including an animation and demonstration of a Wiki and responded to questions and comments from Members.

### **RESOLVED 2013/085**

That the progress in implementing the new arrangements for assessing and providing for the needs of children and young people with Special Educational Needs and Disability (SEND) in Nottinghamshire be noted, in particular in relation to the new Education, Health and Care Plan pathway.

### SCHOOLS CAPITAL PROGRAMME - PROGRESS REPORT

Jon Hawketts introduced the report and responded to questions and comments from Members.

### **RESOLVED 2013/086**

- 1) That the progress in delivering the Schools Capital Programme be noted.
- 2) That in addition to reports seeking approval from the Committee on specific issues relating to the capital programme as they arise, e.g. in relation to statutory consultation on school expansions, a further progress report on the implementation of the Schools Capital Programme be provided in six months' time.
- 3) That in the meantime, a new Capital Strategy be presented to the Committee for approval in the New Year.

### **ACHIEVING 2 YEAR OLDS FREE EARLY EDUCATION ENTITLEMENT**

Jude Burgess and Niki Coupe presented the report and responded to questions and comments from Members.

### **RESOLVED 2013/087**

That the development of the free early education programme for 2 year olds in Nottinghamshire and the plans to address capacity for the roll out of the offer for Nottinghamshire be noted.

### <u>UPDATE ON THE MULTI-AGENCY SAFEGUARDING HUB INCLUDING THE</u> EARLY HELP UNIT

Anthony May introduced the report and responded to questions and comments from Members.

#### **RESOLVED 2013/088**

That the update on the Multi-Agency Safeguarding Hub and Early Help Unit be noted.

## PROVISION OF FUNDING FOR HOME EXTENSION TO ENABLE FIVE LOOKED AFTER CHILDREN TO REMAIN WITH THEIR GRANDMOTHER AS THE SUBJECTS OF A SPECIAL GUARDIANSHIP ORDER THROUGHOUT THEIR CHILDHOOD

Dawn Godfrey introduced the report. Members expressed their thanks to the foster carer and all foster carers for their valuable work.

### **RESOLVED 2013/089**

- 1) That approval be given for the extension to A's home to be carried out at an estimated cost of £42,000 up to a maximum cost of £45,000.
- 2) That a legal charge order be made, to ensure that the costs of the extension can be reclaimed/reimbursed if the children do not remain in this placement until adulthood.

### THE NOTTINGHAMSHIRE OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT 4UTH AWARD 2013

Chris Warren introduced the report and responded to Members comments and questions.

### **RESOLVED 2013/090**

That the recent activity of the Young People's Service in facilitating the delivery of Nottinghamshire County Council's third annual Outstanding Achievement 4Uth Award be noted.

### NOTTINGHAM AND NOTTINGHAMSHRE FUTURES GOVERNANCE ARRANGEMENTS

### **RESOLVED 2013/091**

- That the amendment of the current Members Agreement for Nottingham and Nottinghamshire Futures to provide for the direct control by the Council over its proposed subsidiary company, Nottinghamshire NEET Reduction Service, be approved.
- 2) That the appointment of the Vice Chairman of the Children and Young People's Committee, the Chairman of the Economic Development Committee and the Service Director for Youth, Families and Culture to the Board of the proposed subsidiary company be approved.

## ANNIE HOLGATE COMMUNITY INFANT & NURSERY AND ANNIE HOLGATE COMMUNITY JUNIOR SCHOOLS, HUCKNALL – OUTCOME OF PUBLISHED SECTIONS 11 AND 15 NOTICE: SCHOOLS ADJUDICATOR'S DECISION

### **RESOLVED 2013/092**

That the decision by the School Adjudicator to approve the County Council's proposal to amalgamate Annie Holgate Infant & Nursery and Annie Holgate Junior Schools in their existing premises to form a single 3-11 primary school, including provision for early years education places, with effect from 1 September 2014 be noted.

### **WORK PROGRAMME**

### **RESOLVED 2013/093**

That the Committee's work programme be noted.

### **EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC**

**RESOLVED: 2013/094** 

That the public be excluded from the remainder of the meeting on the grounds that the Committee's remaining business involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in the Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) Order 2006 and the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.

### **EXEMPT INFORMATION ITEM**

The decision in relation to the following exempt information item is set out in the exempt minutes:-

Financial Support to Foster Carers.

The meeting closed at 12.43 pm

CHAIRMAN M\_9Dec2013