

Meeting CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE'S COMMITTEE

Date 23 May 2016 (commencing at 10.30am)

Membership

Persons absent are marked with an 'A'

COUNCILLORS

Kate Foale (Vice-Chairman)(in the Chair)

Liz Plant (Vice-Chairman)

John Allin
Maureen Dobson
Boyd Elliott
Glynn Gilfoyle
Alice Grice

Keith Longdon
Philip Owen
Sue Saddington
Andy Sissons

A Ex-officio (non-voting)
Alan Rhodes

CO-OPTED MEMBERS (NON-VOTING)

A Vacancy
Mr David Richards JP

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE

Councillor John Wilmott

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE

Diana Bentley	Children, Families and Cultural Services
Marion Clay	Children, Families and Cultural Services
Steve Edwards	Children, Families and Cultural Services
Derek Higton	Children, Families and Cultural Services
Laurence Jones	Children, Families and Cultural Services
Irene Kakoullis	Children, Families and Cultural Services
Pip Milbourne	Children, Families and Cultural Services
Colin Pettigrew	Children, Families and Cultural Services
Geoff Russell	Resources
Paul Davies	Resources

CHAIRMAN AND VICE-CHAIRMAN

The appointment by the County Council on 12 May 2016 of Councillor John Peck as Chairman of the Committee, and Councillors Kate Foale and Liz Plant as Vice-Chairmen was noted.

MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

The minutes of the meeting held on 25 April 2016, having been circulated to all Members, were taken as read and were confirmed and were signed by the Chair.

MEMBERSHIP

It was reported that following the decision of the County Council on 12 May 2016, Councillor Maureen Dobson had been appointed to the committee, and Councillor John Wilmott was no longer a member of the committee.

It was also reported that Councillor Glynn Gilfoyle had been appointed in place of Councillor John Peck, for this meeting only.

APOLOGY FOR ABSENCE

An apology for absence was received from Mr D Richards JP.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

PRINCIPAL CHILD AND FAMILY SOCIAL WORKER – ANNUAL REPORT 2015

The Chair introduced the report and lead officers responded to questions and comments from Members.

RESOLVED 2016/026

That the progress which has been made by the Principal Child and Family Social Worker be noted.

COURT TEAM SOCIAL WORK SUPPORT OFFICERS

The Chair introduced the report and lead officers responded to questions and comments from Members.

RESOLVED 2016/027

That the Social Work Support Officer pilot is extended for 12 months to include 2 fte Social Work Support Officer posts (Grade 4) within the Court Team.

PROPOSED STAFFING CHANGES IN CHILDREN'S RESIDENTIAL SERVICES

The Chair introduced the report and lead officers responded to questions and comments from Members.

RESOLVED 2016/028

That posts in Children's Residential Services be established and disestablished as detailed in paragraphs 6 and 7 of the report.

PERFORMANCE REPORTING, QUARTER 4 2015/16 – SERVICES FOR CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE

The Chair introduced the report and lead officers responded to questions and comments from Members. During discussion, members asked for a summary of the discussion at meetings with the National and Regional Schools Commissioners, and for a report on the reasons for unsatisfactory performance in Key Stage 4 and Key Stage 5.

RESOLVED 2016/029

- 1) That the performance of the Council's services for children and young people during the period 1 January to 31 March 2016 be noted.
- 2) That a summary of the discussion at meetings with the National and Regional Schools Commissioners be circulated to members of the committee.
- 3) That a report be presented to a future meeting on the reasons for unsatisfactory performance in Key Stage 4 and Key Stage 5.

STRATEGY FOR CLOSING THE EDUCATIONAL GAPS IN NOTTINGHAMSHIRE

The Chair introduced the report and lead officers responded to questions and comments from Members.

RESOLVED 2016/030

That the impact of Nottinghamshire's Closing the Educational Gaps Strategy be noted.

SPECIAL EDUCATIONAL NEEDS AND DISABILITY REFORM GRANT 2016/17

The Chair introduced the report and lead officers responded to questions and comments from Members.

RESOLVED 2016/031

That the proposed monitoring and governance arrangements for the 2016/17 Special Educational Needs and Disability Reforms "New Burdens" Grant be approved.

EXCEPTIONAL PAYMENTS FOR SCHOOL CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR 2016/17

The Chair introduced the report and lead officers responded to questions and comments from Members.

RESOLVED 2016/032

That approval be given to continue to apply, as a guide only, a scale of payments for allowances granted under the exceptional circumstances category up to a maximum of £50 per qualifying pupil: 25% of the full allowance for infant school children, 50% of the full allowance for junior school and year 11 children and 75% of the full

allowance for other secondary school children. Individual circumstances will be taken into consideration when determining the amount.

TROUBLED FAMILIES PROGRAMME IN NOTTINGHAMSHIRE – UPDATE

The Chair introduced the report and lead officers responded to questions and comments from Members.

RESOLVED 2016/033

That the update on delivery of phase two of the Troubled Families Programme in Nottinghamshire be noted.

DELIVERING 30 HOURS OF FREE CHILDCARE

The Chair introduced the report and lead officers responded to questions and Comments from Members.

RESOLVED 2016/034

- 1) That the national and local plans to provide an extended offer of childcare for three and four year olds be noted.
- 2) That 1 fte temporary Early Years Technical Specialist post (Grade 5) be established to support local implementation and evaluation of the new extended free childcare offer.
- 3) That the hours of the existing Strategic Parenting and Child Poverty Manager (Grade D) be extended from 0.8 fte to 1 fte until 31 March 2017, to lead on parental engagement activity for the extended childcare offer.

WORK PROGRAMME

RESOLVED 2016/035

That the Committee's work programme be noted.

The meeting closed at 11.50 am.

CHAIRMAN