

Meeting CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE'S COMMITTEE

Date 13 July 2015 (commencing at 10.30am)

Membership

Persons absent are marked with an 'A'

COUNCILLORS

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

John Allin
Boyd Elliott
Keith Longdon
Philip Owen

Mike Pringle
Sue Saddington
Gail Turner
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

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| Elaine Atkinson | Children, Families and Cultural Services |
| Steve Bradley | Children, Families and Cultural Services |
| Steve Edwards | Children, Families and Cultural Services |
| Derek Higton | Children, Families and Cultural Services |
| Denis McCarthy | Children, Families and Cultural Services |
| Katie Marsden | Children, Families and Cultural Services |
| Philippa Milbourne | Children, Families and Cultural Services |
| Sam Morris | Children, Families and Cultural Services |
| Jill Norman | Children, Families and Cultural Services |
| John Slater | Children, Families and Cultural Services |
| Chris Warren | Children, Families and Cultural Services |
| Paul Cooke | G4S |
| Alison Fawley | Policy, Planning and Corporate Services |

MEMBERSHIP OF THE COMMITTEE

Councillor Mike Pringle had been appointed in place of Councillor Alice Grice for this meeting only.

MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

The minutes of the meeting held on 15 June 2015, having been circulated to all Members, were taken as read and were confirmed and were signed by the Chair.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

An apology for absence was received from Mr J Rudd (other business).

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

NOTTINGHAMSHIRE CODE OF CONDUCT FOR ISSUING FINES FOR PUPIL ABSENCES – AMENDMENT TO THRESHOLD

Denis McCarthy introduced the report and responded to questions and comments from Members.

RESOLVED 2015/060

- 1) That the update of the use of Penalty Notices for non-attendance at school be noted.
- 2) That the amendment to the Penalty Notice threshold as described in paragraph 12 of the report be approved.
- 3) That a review examining the impact of changes and assessing the benefits, with a view to establishing whether a further reduction in the threshold would be appropriate, be brought to Committee in twelve months' time.

REVISED OFFER FOR ARTS AND MUSIC SERVICES FOR YOUNG PEOPLE

Steve Bradley and Elaine Atkinson introduced the report and responded to questions and comments from Members.

RESOLVED 2015/061

That a revised model of out of school arts provision, enabling the service to meet its budget savings and increase local access for young people as detailed in Appendix 1 of the report be implemented from 1 April 2016.

The Chair thanked Mr Bradley for all his contributions and congratulated him on his retirement.

OUTCOME OF THE YOUTH JUSTICE SERVICE SHORT QUALITY SCREENING INSPECTION

Derek Highton introduced the report and responded to questions and comments from Members.

RESOLVED 2015/062

That the positive outcome of the Youth Justice Service Short Quality Screening Inspection and the continued progress of the Youth Justice Service be noted.

TRANSFER OF JUNIOR ATTENDANCE CENTRES FROM THE MINISTRY OF JUSTICE TO THE LOCAL AUTHORITY

Sam Morris introduced the report and responded to questions and comments from Members.

RESOLVED 2015/063

- 1) That the transfer of Junior Attendance Centres from the National Offender Management Service within the Ministry of Justice to the Local Authority be noted.
- 2) That the establishment of a 0.40 fte (15 hour) senior case manager (officer in charge) post at Hay Band B be approved.

ADOLESCENCE AND EARLY HELP LOCALITY SERVICES GROUP – CHANGES TO STAFFING ESTABLISHMENT

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

RESOLVED 2015/064

That the proposed changes to the staffing structure of the Adolescence and Early Help Locality Services group as detailed in paragraph 2 of the report be approved.

DEVELOPMENT OF EARLY SUPPORT SERVICES TO CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES AND THEIR FAMILIES

Jill Norman introduced the report and responded to questions and comments from Members.

RESOLVED 2015/065

- 1) That the update on progress made within the Children's Disability Service towards an Early Support model of service delivery be noted.
- 2) That 2 fte Personalisation Officer posts (grade 5) be established on a permanent basis.

- 3) That the current Children's Homecare and Sitting and Befriending Service be expanded to include an Overnight Short Break at Home Service.
- 4) That the Play for Disabled Children's Service be expanded to include a residential holiday scheme.

MEMBERS' VISIT TO THE OUTDOOR AND ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION RESIDENTIAL CENTRES

RESOLVED 2015/066

That approval be given for a visit by Members to the two Outdoor and Environmental Education residential centres on 29 September 2015.

BLOCK PURCHASE OF RESIDENTIAL CARE FOR CHILDREN WITH SOCIAL, EMOTIONAL AND BEHAVIOURAL DIFFICULTIES

Steve Edwards introduced the report and responded to questions and comments from Members.

The meeting was adjourned at 12noon to enable legal advice to be sought from the Monitoring Officer.

Following a debate an amendment to the motion was moved by Councillor Philip Owen and seconded by Boyd Elliott:

Committee agrees to review the implementation process currently in practice and will advise the provider on implementation taking into account the views of local residents and stakeholders including current proposals. A report will be brought back to the next meeting of the Children and Young People's Committee.

After discussion the amendment was put to the vote and was carried.

RESOLVED 2015/067

- 1) That the update on the implementation of the Block Purchase of Residential Care for Children with Social, Emotional and Behavioural Difficulties be noted.
- 2) That Committee agreed to review the implementation process currently in practice and will advise the provider on implementation taking into account the views of local residents and stakeholders including current proposals and that a report would be brought to the next meeting of the Children and Young People's Committee.

POLICY AND PROCESS GUIDANCE FOR DISCRETIONARY PAYMENTS TOWARDS THE PROVISION OF MAJOR ADAPTATIONS TO SERVICE USERS' HOMES

Steve Edwards and Katie Marsden introduced the report and responded to questions and comments from Members.

RESOLVED 2015/068

- 1) That the proposed policy and process guidance document to support and manage discretionary payments towards the cost of major adaptations in a service users own home, where recommended adaptation works exceed the government's mandatory Disabled Facilities Grant (DFG) of £30,000, as attached at Appendix 1 of the report, be noted.
- 2) That the proposed policy and process guidance document be recommended to Policy Committee for approval at its meeting on 9 September 2015.

ROTA VISITS TO CHILDREN'S HOMES; APRIL & MAY 2015

Steve Edwards introduced the report and responded to questions and comments from Members.

RESOLVED 2015/069

That the outcome of the six monthly rota visits to Nottinghamshire County Council's children's homes that took place in April and May 2015 be noted.

CHILD SEXUAL EXPLOITATION (CSE) AND CHILDREN MISSING FROM HOME AND CARE: ANNUAL REPORT 2014-15

RESOLVED 2015/070

- 1) That the progress made regarding developments in the response to child sexual exploitation and missing children within Nottinghamshire be noted.
- 2) That a further report be provided to the Children and Young People's Committee in six months.

WORK PROGRAMME

RESOLVED 2015/071

That the Committee's work programme be noted.

The meeting closed at 1.40pm

CHAIRMAN