

Meeting CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE'S COMMITTEE

Date 26 July 2021 (commencing at 2:00 pm)

Membership

Persons absent are marked with an 'A'

COUNCILLORS

Tracey Taylor (Chairman)
Sinead Anderson (Vice-Chairman)
Sam Smith (Vice-Chairman)

Matt Barney
Anne Callaghan
Samantha Deakin
Jim Creamer

Roger Jackson
John Lee
Andy Meakin
Michelle Welsh

CO-OPTED MEMBERS (NON-VOTING)

4 Vacancies

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE

Colin Pettigrew Corporate Director, Children and Families Services
Marion Clay Service Director, Children and Families Services
Laurence Jones Service Director, Children and Families Services
Irene Kakoullis Group Manager, Children and Families Services

Martin Gately Democratic Services Officer, Chief Executive's

1. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING HELD ON 21 June 2021

The minutes of the meeting held on 21 June 2021 having been circulated to all Members, were taken as read and have been signed by the Chairman.

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Councillor Creamer substituted for Councillor Henry for this meeting.

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST BY MEMBERS AND OFFICERS

None.

4. CHILD SEXUAL EXPLOITATION AND CHILDREN MISSING FROM HOME AND CARE ANNUAL REPORT 2020-21

The Chairman introduced the report and responded to questions and comments from Members.

RESOLVED 2021/053

That:

- 1) Quarterly performance data be included in the quarterly performance reports to the committee.
- 2) Annual reports providing an overview of the work to address the threat of Child Sexual Exploitation and Children Missing from Home and Care in Nottinghamshire be received.

5. ANNUAL REPORT ON THE VIRTUAL SCHOOL FOR LOOKED AFTER CHILDREN

The Chairman introduced the report and responded to questions and comments from Members.

RESOLVED 2021/054

That:

- 1) No further action was required in relation to the information in the report on the impact of the work of the Virtual School and its partners for academic year 2020/21.
- 2) Further annual reports on the work of the Virtual School be presented to the Children and Young People's Committee.

6. FOSTER CARER ITEMS

Rachel Cutts and Elizabeth Keogh of the Foster Carer Liaison Group joined the meeting via Teams, but did not raise any particular concerns.

7. CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE CORE DATA SET – PERFORMANCE AND FINANCE FOR QUARTER 4 2020-21

The Chairman introduced the report and responded to questions and comments from Members.

RESOLVED 2021/055

That:

- 1) No further actions were required in relation to the performance information on the Council's services for children and young people for the period 1st January to 31st March 2021.

8. NOTTINGHAMSHIRE SPECIAL EDUCATIONAL NEEDS AND DISABILITIES PLACE PLANNING STRATEGY 2021-2026

The Chairman introduced the report and responded to questions and comments from Members.

RESOLVED 2021/056

That:

- 1) The proposed Nottinghamshire Special Educational Needs and Disabilities Place Planning Strategy for 2021-2026, attached as Appendix, be forwarded to Policy Committee for approval.
- 2) An annual update on progress with the implementation of the strategy be received.
- 3) The Chairman of the Committee writes to the Department of Education regarding the relatively low level of Special Educational Needs and Disabilities related funding for Nottinghamshire.

9. CHILDREN MISSING EDUCATION SIX MONTHLY UPDATE

The Chairman introduced the report and responded to questions and comments from Members.

RESOLVED 2021/057

That:

- 1) No further actions were required in relation to the issues contained within the report
- 2) A further update on Children Missing Education be received and that this be included in the work programme.

10. SCHOOL HOLIDAY AND TERM DATES FOR LOCAL AUTHORITY MAINTAINED SCHOOLS IN NOTTINGHAMSHIRE 2023/2024 TO 2026/2027 AND QUEEN'S PLATINUM JUBILEE – CHANGE TO DATES FOR 2021/2022

The Chairman introduced the report and responded to questions and comments from Members.

RESOLVED 2021/058

That:

- 1) The school holiday pattern for 2023-2024, 2024-2025, 2025-2026 and 2026-2027 as outlined in Appendix 1 be agreed
- 2) The change to school holiday dates for 2021/2022, as outlined in Appendix 2, in celebration of the Queen's Platinum Jubilee be agreed.

11. VARIATION TO NOTTINGHAMSHIRE SCHOOL ADMISSION ARRANGEMENTS 2021-2022 AND 2022-2023 AND NOTTINGHAMSHIRE'S STATUTORY CONSULTATION ON FAIR ACCESS PROTOCOL TO COMPLY WITH SCHOOL ADMISSIONS CODE 2021

The Chairman introduced the report and responded to questions and comments from Members.

RESOLVED 2021/059

That:

- 1) The variations to the admission arrangements for 2021-2022 and 2023 be approved
- 2) Approval be given to carry out consultation on the Fair Access Protocol between 4th August and 19th September 2021.

12. AMENDMENT TO CATCHMENT AREA DUE TO CLOSURE OF MANNERS SUTTON PRIMARY SCHOOL, AVERHAM, NEWARK

The Chairman introduced the report and responded to questions and comments from Members.

RESOLVED 2021/060

That:

- 1) Approval be given for officers to seek approval from the Office of the Schools Adjudicator to reassign the existing catchment area of Manners Sutton Primary School as outlined in Appendix 2.

13. INDEPENDENT REVIEW OF CHILDREN'S SOCIAL CARE : CASE FOR CHANGE

The Chairman introduced the report and responded to questions and comments from Members.

RESOLVED 2021/061

That:

- 1) No further action is required in relation to the issues contained within the report
- 2) To receive a follow up report on the Independent Review of Children's Social Care when the final recommendations have been published
- 3) To consider the proposed transformation programme for children and families at the Children and Young People's Committee meeting in September.

14. COVID WINTER GRANT SCHEME AND COVID LOCAL SUPPORT GRANT FINAL REPORT

The Chairman introduced the report and responded to questions and comments from Members.

RESOLVED 2021/062

That:

- 1) The progress and outcomes of two Covid related grant schemes for children, families and vulnerable adults who have experienced financial hardship because of the Covid-19 pandemic be noted.
- 2) The proposals and budget allocation for the Covid Local Support Grant Scheme Part 2 extension which will provide supermarket vouchers to eligible children and young people be endorsed.

15. NOTTINGHAMSHIRE EARLY HELP STRATEGY 2021-2025

The Chairman introduced the report and responded to questions and comments from Members.

RESOLVED 2021/063

That:

- 1) An annual update of progress against the priorities in the Early Help Strategy 2021-2025, attached as Appendix 1, be received.

- 2) No further actions were required in relation to the information contained in the report.

16. SUPPORTING FAMILIES UPDATE AND CHANGES TO THE FAMILY SERVICE STAFFING ESTABLISHMENT

The Chairman introduced the report and responded to questions and comments from Members.

RESOLVED 2021/064

That:

- 1) A follow up report be received in six months and that this be included in the work programme.
- 2) The establishment of the following posts in the Family Service be approved from 1st August 2021 to 31st March 2022:
 - 1 FTE Supporting Families Project Officer (Grade 5)
 - 0.5 FTE Reducing Parental Conflict Coordinator (grade subject to job evaluation)

17. SUPERVISION OF DESIGNATED SAFEGUARDING LEADS IN SECONDARY SCHOOLS

The Chairman introduced the report and responded to questions and comments from Members.

RESOLVED 2021/065

That:

- 1) The establishment of a fixed-term 1 FTE Advanced Practitioner (Band C) post, for the academic year commencing in September 2021, to provide group supervision to Designated Safeguarding Leads in Secondary Schools, as part of a pilot, funded by What Works for Children's Social Care, be approved.

18. LOCAL AUTHORITY GOVERNOR APPOINTMENTS TO SCHOOL GOVERNING BODIES DURING THE PERIOD 18TH JANUARY TO 18TH JUNE 2021

The Chairman introduced the report and responded to questions and comments from Members.

RESOLVED 2021/066

That:

- 1) The appointments listed in the report be noted and further updates be received regarding future appointments on a quarterly basis in accordance with the Constitution.

19. WORK PROGRAMME

The Chairman introduced the report and responded to questions and comments from Members.

RESOLVED 2021/067

That:

- 1) No further amendments were required to the work programme.

The meeting closed at 3:17 pm.

CHAIRMAN