

Scrutiny Task and Finish Panel Agenda



Children Services Task and Finish Panel Tuesday, 25th January, 2011

Place: Committee Room 1, Civic Offices, High Street, Epping

Time: 7.00 pm

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Members:

Councillors Mrs L Wagland (Chairman), Ms R Brookes, Mrs P Brooks, Mrs T Cochrane, Mrs R Gadsby, Ms J Hedges and J Knapman

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

2. SUBSTITUTE MEMBERS (COUNCIL MINUTE 39 - 23.7.02)

(Assistant to the Chief Executive) To report the appointment of any substitute members for the meeting.

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

(Assistant to the Chief Executive) To declare interests in any items on the agenda.

In considering whether to declare a personal or a prejudicial interest under the Code of Conduct, Overview & Scrutiny members are asked pay particular attention to paragraph 11 of the Code in addition to the more familiar requirements.

This requires the declaration of a personal and prejudicial interest in any matter before an OS Committee which relates to a decision of or action by another Committee or Sub Committee of the Council, a Joint Committee or Joint Sub Committee in which the Council is involved and of which the Councillor is also a member.

Paragraph 11 does not refer to Cabinet decisions or attendance at an OS meeting purely for the purpose of answering questions or providing information on such a matter.

4. NOTES FROM THE LAST MEETING (Pages 5 - 16)

To agree the minutes from the last meeting of this Panel, held on 5 November 2010.

5. EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC AND PRESS

Exclusion: To consider whether, under Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public and press should be excluded from the meeting for the items of business set out below on grounds that they will involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in the following paragraph(s) of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act (as amended) or are confidential under Section 100(A)(2):

Agenda Item No	Subject	Exempt Information Paragraph Number
6	Update on West Children's Commissioning and Delivery Board	3
8	Local Priority Fund For Young People and Potential Reductions in Local Funding	3

The Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) Order 2006, which came into effect on 1 March 2006, requires the Council to consider whether maintaining the exemption listed above outweighs the potential public interest in disclosing the information. Any member who considers that this test should be applied to any currently exempted matter on this agenda should contact the proper officer at least 24 hours prior to the meeting.

Confidential Items Commencement: Paragraph 9 of the Council Procedure Rules contained in the Constitution require:

- (1) All business of the Council requiring to be transacted in the presence of the press and public to be completed by 10.00 p.m. at the latest.
- (2) At the time appointed under (1) above, the Chairman shall permit the completion of debate on any item still under consideration, and at his or her discretion, any other remaining business whereupon the Council shall proceed to exclude the public and press.
- (3) Any public business remaining to be dealt with shall be deferred until after the completion of the private part of the meeting, including items submitted for report rather than decision.

Background Papers: Paragraph 8 of the Access to Information Procedure Rules of the Constitution define background papers as being documents relating to the subject matter of the report which in the Proper Officer's opinion:

- (a) disclose any facts or matters on which the report or an important part of the report is based; and
- (b) have been relied on to a material extent in preparing the report and does not include published works or those which disclose exempt or confidential information (as defined in Rule 10) and in respect of executive reports, the advice of any political advisor.

Inspection of background papers may be arranged by contacting the officer

responsible for the item.

6. UPDATE ON FURTHER REVIEW OF WEST CHILDREN'S COMMISSIONING AND DELIVERY BOARD (PREVIOUSLY WEST ESSEX CHILDREN'S TRUST BOARD) (Pages 17 - 20)

To receive draft proposals regarding the West Essex Children's Commissioning and Delivery Board.

7. ESSEX COUNTY COUNCIL REVIEW OF YOUTH SERVICES PROVISION

To receive an update report on the planned reductions in Essex Youth Service Provisions.

8. LOCAL PRIORITY FUND FOR YOUNG PEOPLE AND POTENTIAL REDUCTIONS IN LOCAL FUNDING (Pages 21 - 32)

To receive an updating report.

9. POTENTIAL IMPACT OF REDUCED LEVEL OF LOCAL PROVISION FOR YOUNG PEOPLE

To consider implications for the Council.

10. FUTURE FUNDING OF CHILDREN'S AND YOUNG PEOPLE'S INITIATIVES

To consider alternative funding opportunities for Children and Young People's Services.

11. FUTURE GP COMMISSIONING OF HEALTH IMPROVEMENT SERVICES FOR CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE

To receive a report outlining the new GP commissioning services.

12. INVITATION TO ESSEX COUNTY COUNCIL TO MEET WITH PANEL FOR QUESTION AND ANSWER SESSION

13. REVIEW TERMS OF REFERENCE AND WORK UNDERTAKEN BY PANEL TO DATE (Pages 33 - 34)

(Chairman/Lead Officer) To note the attached Terms of Reference. The Panel are asked to review the document at each meeting.

14. TIMETABLE FOR PRODUCTION OF REPORT FOR OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

To agree a timetable for the production of this Panel's final report to the Overview and Scrutiny Committee by April 2011.

15. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

To agree a date for the next meeting of this Panel.

