

Scrutiny Children & Young People Sub-Committee Agenda



To: Councillors Robert Ward (Chair), Sean Fitzsimons (Vice-Chair), Shafi Khan, Sue Bennett, Jerry Fitzpatrick, Bernadette Khan, Ola Kolade and Louisa Woodley

Co-optee Members

Josephine Copeland (Non-voting Teacher representative), Elaine Jones (Voting Diocesan Representative (Catholic Diocese)) and Paul O'Donnell (Voting Parent Governor Representative)

Reserve Members: Margaret Bird, Mike Bonello, Alison Butler, Pat Clouder, Mary Croos, Patsy Cummings, Felicity Flynn, Helen Redfern and Andy Stranack

A meeting of the **Scrutiny Children & Young People Sub-Committee** which you are hereby summoned to attend, will be held on **Tuesday, 22 March 2022 at 6.30 pm. This meeting will be held remotely**

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AGENDA – PART A

1. **Apologies for Absence**

To receive any apologies for absence from any members of the Committee.

2. **Minutes of the Previous Meeting**

To approve the minutes of the meetings held on 18 January and 9 March 2022 as an accurate record.

(Draft minutes to follow)

3. **Disclosures of Interest**

Members and co-opted Members of the Council are reminded that, in accordance with the Council's Code of Conduct and the statutory provisions of the Localism Act, they are required to consider **in advance of each meeting** whether they have a disclosable pecuniary interest (DPI), another registrable interest (ORI) or a non-registrable interest (NRI) in relation to any matter on the agenda. If advice is needed, Members should contact the Monitoring Officer **in good time before the meeting**.

If any Member or co-opted Member of the Council identifies a DPI or ORI which they have not already registered on the Council's register of interests or which requires updating, they should complete the disclosure form which can be obtained from Democratic Services at any time, copies of which will be available at the meeting for return to the Monitoring Officer.

Members and co-opted Members are required to disclose any DPis and ORIs at the meeting.

- Where the matter relates to a DPI they may not participate in any discussion or vote on the matter and must not stay in the meeting unless granted a dispensation.
- Where the matter relates to an ORI they may not vote on the matter unless granted a dispensation.
- Where a Member or co-opted Member has an NRI which directly relates to their financial interest or wellbeing, or that of a relative or close associate, they must disclose the interest at the meeting, may not take part in any discussion or vote on the matter and must not stay in the meeting unless granted a dispensation. Where a matter affects the NRI of a Member or co-opted Member, section 9 of Appendix B of the Code of Conduct sets out the test which must be applied by the Member to decide whether disclosure is required.

The Chair will invite Members to make their disclosure orally at the commencement of Agenda item 3, to be recorded in the minutes.

4. Urgent Business (if any)

To receive notice of any business not on the agenda which in the opinion of the Chair, by reason of special circumstances, be considered as a matter of urgency.

5. Action List Update (Pages 7 - 10)

The Children & Young People Sub-Committee is asked to note the progress made in delivering the outstanding actions on the action list.

6. Early Help, Children Social Care & Education Dashboards (Pages 11 - 24)

The Children & Young People Sub-Committee is asked to review the performance dashboards provided for Early Help, Children Social Care and Education and consider whether there are any areas of concern that may need to be scheduled for further scrutiny at a future meeting.

7. Croydon Safeguarding Children Partnership

This item is an opportunity for the Sub-Committee to question the Chair of the Croydon Safeguarding Children Partnership, with a view to seeking reassurance that the partnership is working effectively together to protect children and young people in the borough.

(Report to follow)

8. Cabinet Member for Children, Young People & Learning (Pages 25 - 30)

The Children & Young People Sub-Committee will be provided with a presentation from the Cabinet Member for Children, Young People & Learning, Councillor Alisa Flemming, on the services within her portfolio.

This will be followed by an opportunity for the Sub-Committee to ask questions on the information provided.

9. Home Education in Croydon

The Children & Young People Sub-Committee is asked to note the content of the report and consider whether there are any areas of concern that need further investigation as part of the work programme for 2022-23.

(Report to follow)

10. What Difference has this Meeting made to Croydon's Children

This item is an opportunity for the Children & Young People Sub-Committee, at the conclusion of the meeting, to review the difference made to Croydon's children from the meeting.

11. Exclusion of the Press and Public

The following motion is to be moved and seconded where it is proposed to exclude the press and public from the remainder of a meeting:

“That, under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act, 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information falling within those paragraphs indicated in Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972, as amended.”