# Scrutiny Children & Young People Sub-Committee Agenda



To: Councillors Councillor Richard Chatterjee (Chair), Councillor Maddie Henson (Vice-Chair), Sue Bennett, Gayle Gander, Eunice O'Dame, Helen Redfern, Manju Shahul-Hameed and Catherine Wilson

# **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: Adele Benson, Mike Bonello, Stuart Collins, Patsy Cummings, Sean Fitzsimons, Mark Johnson, Holly Ramsey and Luke Shortland

A meeting of the Scrutiny Children & Young People Sub-Committee which you are hereby summoned to attend, will be held on Tuesday, 18 April 2023 at 6.30 pm. Council Chamber, Town Hall, Katharine Street, Croydon CR0 1NX

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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 (Pages 5 - 16)

To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 28 February 2023 as an accurate record.

#### 3. Disclosures of Interest

Members are invited to declare any disclosable pecuniary interests (DPIs) and other registrable and non-registrable interests they may have in relation to any item(s) of business on today's agenda.

### 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. Exclusions Update (Pages 17 - 26)

For the Sub-Committee to receive a presentation and update on Exclusions and Suspensions in Croydon. This item was deferred from the last meeting on the 28 February 2023.

#### **6. Elective Home Education** (Pages 27 - 50)

For the Sub-Committee to receive a briefing on Elective Home Education (EHE), including the data showing the number of Children and Young people receiving EHE.

# 7. Experience of Care Leavers

For the Sub-Committee to receive a report which will provide an opportunity to look at the experiences of Care Experienced Young People. (*To Follow*)

# 8. Early Help, Children's Social Care and Education Dashboard (Pages 51 - 54)

To receive the Early Help, Children's Social Care and Education Dashboard.

# 9. Cabinet Response to Scrutiny Recommendations (Pages 55 - 60)

The Children & Young People Sub-Committee is presented with an up to date list of responses from Cabinet to recommendations made by the

Sub-Committee to note.

# **10. Work Programme 2022/23** (Pages 61 - 66)

The Children & Young People Sub-Committee is asked to: -

- 1. Note the most recent version of its Work Programme, as presented in the report.
- 2. Consider whether there are any other items that should be provisionally added to the work programme as a result of the discussions held during the meeting.

# 11. 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.

#### 12. 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."

#### **PART B**