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Children and Young People Policy and Scrutiny Committee

Date: Thursday, 13 May 2010

Time: 10.00 am

Venues: Committee Room 1, County Hall

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PLEASE NOTE THAT A PRE MEETING HAS BEEN ARRANGED FOR COMMITTEE MEMBERS AT 09.30 IN COMMITTEE ROOM 1.

Agenda

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The main focus of this meeting will be Safeguarding Children



Part I

(Business to be taken in public)

Agenda Item

1. Apologies and Substitution Notices

The Committee Officer to report the receipt of apologies for absence and substitution notices as appropriate.

2. Declarations of Interest

To note any declarations of interest to be made by Members.

3. Minutes

To approve as a correct record:

- the minutes of the Children and Young People Policy and Scrutiny Committee meeting held on 4 March 2010;
- the notes from the private Committee meeting held on 1 April 2010.

4. Safeguarding Children

To hear evidence in regard to the implementation of the recommendations contained in the Safeguarding Report agreed by the Committee in September 2009. The following persons will be attending as witnesses:

- Cllr Candy, Cabinet Member for Children's Services, reports CYP/13/10 and CYP/15/10
- Malcolm Newsam, Executive Director for Schools, Children and Families, report <u>CYP/16/10</u>;
- Paul Fallon, Chairman for the Essex Safeguarding Children Board, report CYP/12/10;
- Nicola Park, Administrator for the Essex Safeguarding Children Board.

An extract from the Safeguarding Report, showing the findings and recommendations, is attached as CYP/17/10.

5. Safeguarding Sub Group Scoping Document

- a) To receive a Power Point presentation, from David Moses regarding further scrutiny of Safeguarding Children.
- b) To approve the Safeguarding Sub Group Scoping Document, <u>CYP/SCR/023</u>, introduced by Graham Redgwell, Governance Officer and to agree Membership of this Sub-Group. Members may need to update this document at the meeting in the light of any decisions in Item 4 above.

6. Towards Excellence

To receive formally the Towards Excellence report, <u>CYP/11/10</u>, from David Moses, Head of Member Support and Governance, previously presented at the private meeting in April.

7. Essex Youth Scrutiny Committee (EYSC) Report

To receive the EYSC report, <u>CYP/14/10</u>, from David Moses, Head of Member Support and Governance and an oral update on recent developments.

8. Forward Look

To agree a Forward Look, in light of discussion on Agenda Items 3 to 7 above.

9. Dates of Future Meetings

It is proposed that the following dates be reserved for this Committee as activity days, and may comprise:

- Meetings in private
- Meetings in public
- Working groups
- Sub-Committee meetings
- Outside visits

Thursday 3 June 2010

Thursday 1 July 2010

Thursday 2 September 2010

Thursday 7 October 2010

Thursday 4 November 2010

Thursday 2 December 2010

Thursday 6 January 2011

Thursday 3 February 2011

Thursday 3 March 2011

Thursday 7 April 2011

Thursday 12 May 2011

10. Urgent Part I Business

To consider any other items which, in the opinion of the Chairman, should be considered in public by reason of special circumstances (to be specified) as a matter of urgency.

11. Exclusion of the Public

To consider whether the public (including the press) should be excluded from the meeting during consideration of an agenda item on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as specified in Part I of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 (exclusion is recommended for the items set out in Part II below).

PART II

(Business to be taken in private)

At the time of preparation, there were no items for inclusion in this part of the agenda.

12. Urgent Part II Business

To consider any other items which, in the opinion of the Chairman, should be considered in private by reason of special circumstances (to be specified) as a matter of urgency.