

Children's Services Overview & Scrutiny Committee

Meeting to be held on: Monday 28th January 2019 AT 6.00 PM

Your attendance is requested at the above meeting, which will be held at the Council House, Lichfield Street, Walsall, WS1 1TW. A list of the items of business to be considered at the meeting, together with any supporting papers is enclosed. Please bring the papers with you to the meeting.

MEMBERSHIP:

Chair: Councillor A. Nawaz
Vice Chair: Councillor M. Statham

Councillor B. Allen
Councillor D. Barker
Councillor J. Fitzpatrick
Councillor M. Follows
Councillor T. Jukes
Councillor S. Neville
Councillor E. Russell
Councillor S. Samra
Councillor V. Waters

PORTFOLIO HOLDER: Councillor T. Wilson.

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AGENDA

1.	Apologies To receive apologies for absence from Members of the Panel.	
2.	Substitutions To receive notice of any substitutions for a Member of the Panel for the duration of the meeting.	
3.	Declarations of interest and party whip To receive declarations of interest or the party whip from Members in respect of items on the agenda.	
4.	Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985 (as amended) To agree that the public be excluded from the private session during consideration of the agenda items indicated for the reasons shown on the agenda (if applicable).	
5.	Minutes of the previous meeting To approve and sign the minutes of the meeting that took place on Thursday 11 th December 2018.	Enclosed
<u>Scrutiny</u>		
6.	Young People- knife crime and criminal exploitation An introductory overview of the issue of knife crime and criminal exploitation for young people.	Enclosed
7.	Social Worker Recruitment and Retention This report evidences the significant progress that has been achieved in the last two years in recruiting high numbers of quality newly qualified social workers and a number experienced social workers and managers.	<u>Enclosed</u>
<u>Overview</u>		
8a.	Ofsted focused visit: Care leavers	Enclosed
b.	Ofsted Working Group Initiation Document	<u>Enclosed</u>
9.	Work Programme 2018/19 To receive and consider the Committee's proposed work programme for 2018/19 municipal year.	
10.	Forward plans To receive the Forward Plan of Key Decisions from Cabinet and the Black Country Executive Joint Committee, to identify any further matters, which Members feel, may benefit from scrutiny.	Enclosed
11.	Date of next meeting To note that the date of the next meeting will be 11 th March 2019 at 6.00pm.	