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#### **AGENDA**

Committee CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Date and Time of Meeting

TUESDAY, 14 JULY 2015, 2.30 PM

Venue COMMITTEE ROOM 4 - COUNTY HALL

Membership Councillor Richard Cook (Chairperson)

Councillors Boyle, Chaundy, Gordon, Morgan, Murphy, Dianne Rees

and Lynda Thorne and one vacancy.

Mrs P Arlotte (Roman Catholic representative), Carol Cobert (Church in

Wales representative), Ms Catrin Lewis (Parent Governor Representative) and Mrs Hayley Smith (Parent Governor

Representative)

Time approx.

1 Apologies for Absence

2.30 pm

To receive apologies for absence.

2 Declarations of Interest

2.30 pm

To be made at the start of the agenda item in question, in accordance with the Members' Code of Conduct.

**3** Minutes (Pages 1 - 10)

2.30 pm

To approve as a correct record the minutes of the meeting of the Children & Young People Scrutiny Committee held on 9 June 2015.

4 Children's Services Social Services and Well Being Act (Wales) 2014 - progress report (Pages 11 - 138)

2.35 pm

This report enables the Committee to be informed of the progress being made on the preparations to ensure the Council's readiness to implement the Act.

(a) Councilor Sue Lent (Cabinet Member, Early Years, Children & Families and Deputy Leader) will be in attendance and may wish to make a statement;

- (b) Tony Young (Director of Children's Service), Irfan Alam (Interim Assistant Director) and Nichola Poole (Regional Lead - Sustainable Social Services) will introduce the report and be available to answer questions;
- (c) Questions from Committee Members
- **Corporate Parenting Advisor Committee Annual Report** (*Pages* 3.35 pm 139 150)

This report provides the Committee with a copy of the work undertaken by the Committee for the past year.

- (a) Councilor Sue Lent (Cabinet Member, Early Years, Children & Families and Deputy Leader) will be in attendance and may wish to make a statement;
- (b) Tony Young (Director of Children's Service), Irfan Alam (Interim Assistant Director) will introduce the report and be available to answer questions;
- (c) Questions from Committee Members.
- **Education Youth Guarantee Implementation progress report** 4.00 pm (*Pages 151 164*)

This report enables the Committee to review the implementation of the Youth Guarantee part of the Welsh Governments Strategy as set out in the Youth Engagement and Progression Framework.

- (a) Councilor Sarah Merry (Cabinet Member for Education and Skills) will be in attendance and may wish to make a statement;
- (b) Nick Batchelar (Director of Education and Lifelong Learning), Carol Jones (Assistant Director Education) and John Fabes (Achievement Leader - 14-19) will present the report and be available to answer questions Members may have;
- (c) Questions from Committee Members.
- 7 Education Performance update Estyn Recommendations 2 and 4 4.40 pm (Pages 165 182)

Education Performance update – Estyn Recommendations 2 and 4 – This report provides the Committee with a progress report, as at June 2015, on the objectives identified to address recommendations 2 and 4 of the Estyn Monitoring Letter.

- (a) Councilor Sarah Merry (Cabinet Member for Education and Skills) will be in attendance and may wish to make a statement;
- (b) Nick Batchelar (Director of Education and Lifelong Learning), Carol Jones (Assistant Director Education) and Suzanne Scarlett (Performance Manager) will present the report and be available to answer questions Members may have;
- (c) Questions from Committee Members.

# 8 Correspondence Report (Pages 183 - 234)

5.25 pm

To provide the Committee with a copy of all letter sent to the Cabinet Members and their responses, for their information.

- (a) Scrutiny Officer to briefly introduce the report;
- (b) Questions from Committee Members.

## 9 Way Forward

5.30 pm

### 10 Date of next meeting

The next regular meeting will be held on 15 September 2015 at 2.30pm

#### Marie Rosenthal

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8 July, 2015

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