

# Notice of Children's Services Overview and Scrutiny Committee



Date: Tuesday, 8 June 2021 at 6.00 pm

Venue: Committee Suite, Civic Centre, Poole BH15 2RU

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## Membership:

### Chairman:

Cllr R Burton

### Vice Chairman:

Cllr L Lewis

Cllr E Coope  
Cllr B Dunlop  
Cllr N C Geary

Cllr S Gabriel  
Cllr J Kelly  
Cllr S Moore

Cllr L Northover  
Cllr Dr F Rice  
Cllr R Rocca

## Parent Governor Co-opted Representative

Mrs E Hall (Academy), Mr P Martin, Mr S Welch (Academy)

## Diocesan Co-Opted Representatives

Mr M Saxby

## Youth Parliament Representatives

Nathan Collins, Sarah Lockard, Adaya Brandon and Georgia Grogan

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All Members of the Children's Services Overview and Scrutiny Committee are summoned to attend this meeting to consider the items of business set out on the agenda below.

The press and public are welcome to view the live stream of this meeting at the following link:

<https://democracy.bcpCouncil.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?Mid=4829>

If you would like any further information on the items to be considered at the meeting please contact: Louise Smith or email [louise.smith@bcpcouncil.gov.uk](mailto:louise.smith@bcpcouncil.gov.uk)

Press enquiries should be directed to the Press Office by email at [press.office@bcpcouncil.gov.uk](mailto:press.office@bcpcouncil.gov.uk)

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CHIEF EXECUTIVE

28 May 2021



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## Maintaining and promoting high standards of conduct

### Declaring interests at meetings

Familiarise yourself with the Councillor Code of Conduct which can be found in Part 6 of the Council's Constitution.

Before the meeting, read the agenda and reports to see if the matters to be discussed at the meeting concern your interests

Do any matters being discussed at the meeting relate to your registered interests?

Disclosable Pecuniary Interest

Yes

Declare the nature of the interest

Do NOT participate in the item at the meeting. Do NOT speak or vote on the item EXCEPT where you hold a dispensation

You are advised to leave the room during the debate

Local Interest

Yes

Declare the nature of the interest

Applying the bias and pre-determination tests means you may need to refrain from speaking and voting

You may also need to leave the meeting. Please seek advice from the Monitoring Officer

No

Do you have a personal interest in the matter?

Yes

Consider the bias and pre-determination tests

You may need to refrain from speaking & voting

You may also need to leave the meeting. Please seek advice

No

You can take part in the meeting speak and vote

What are the principles of bias and pre-determination and how do they affect my participation in the meeting?

Bias and predetermination are common law concepts. If they affect you, your participation in the meeting may call into question the decision arrived at on the item.

#### Bias Test

In all the circumstances, would it lead a fair minded and informed observer to conclude that there was a real possibility or a real danger that the decision maker was biased?

#### Predetermination Test

At the time of making the decision, did the decision maker have a closed mind?

If a councillor appears to be biased or to have predetermined their decision, they must NOT participate in the meeting.

For more information or advice please contact the Monitoring Officer  
([susan.zeiss@bcpcouncil.gov.uk](mailto:susan.zeiss@bcpcouncil.gov.uk))

### Selflessness

Councillors should act solely in terms of the public interest

### Integrity

Councillors must avoid placing themselves under any obligation to people or organisations that might try inappropriately to influence them in their work. They should not act or take decisions in order to gain financial or other material benefits for themselves, their family, or their friends. They must declare and resolve any interests and relationships

### Objectivity

Councillors must act and take decisions impartially, fairly and on merit, using the best evidence and without discrimination or bias

### Accountability

Councillors are accountable to the public for their decisions and actions and must submit themselves to the scrutiny necessary to ensure this

### Openness

Councillors should act and take decisions in an open and transparent manner. Information should not be withheld from the public unless there are clear and lawful reasons for so doing

### Honesty & Integrity

Councillors should act with honesty and integrity and should not place themselves in situations where their honesty and integrity may be questioned

### Leadership

Councillors should exhibit these principles in their own behaviour. They should actively promote and robustly support the principles and be willing to challenge poor behaviour wherever it occurs

# AGENDA

Items to be considered while the meeting is open to the public

**1. Apologies**

To receive any apologies for absence from Councillors.

**2. Substitute Members**

To receive information on any changes in the membership of the Committee.

Note – When a member of a Committee is unable to attend a meeting of a Committee or Sub-Committee, the relevant Political Group Leader (or their nominated representative) may, by notice to the Monitoring Officer (or their nominated representative) prior to the meeting, appoint a substitute member from within the same Political Group. The contact details on the front of this agenda should be used for notifications.

**3. Election of Chair**

To elect the Chair of the Children’s Services Overview and Scrutiny Committee for the ensuing Municipal year 2021/22.

**4. Election of Vice Chair**

To elect the Vice Chair of the Children’s Services Overview and Scrutiny Committee for the ensuing Municipal year 2021/22.

**5. Declarations of Interests**

Councillors are requested to declare any interests on items included in this agenda. Please refer to the workflow on the preceding page for guidance.

Declarations received will be reported at the meeting.

**6. Confirmation of Minutes**

To confirm and sign as a correct record the minutes of the Meeting held on 29 March 2021.

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a) **Action Sheet**

To consider any outstanding actions.

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**7. Public Issues**

To receive any public questions, statements or petitions submitted in accordance with the Constitution, which is available to view at the following link:

<https://democracy.bcpccouncil.gov.uk/ieListMeetings.aspx?CommitteeID=151&Info=1&bcr=1>

The deadline for the submission of a public question is 4 clear working days before the meeting.

The deadline for the submission of a public statement is midday the working day before the meeting.  
The deadline for the submission of a petition is 10 working days before the meeting.

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| <b>8. Youth Justice Service Youth Justice Plan for 2021/22</b>  | 21 - 60   |
| To present the Youth Justice Plan for 2021/22. There is a statutory requirement to publish an annual Youth Justice Plan which must provide specified information about the local provision of youth justice services. This report summarises the Youth Justice Plan for 2021/22, with a copy of the Plan appended. The Youth Justice Plan needs to be approved by the full Council. |           |
| <b>9. Expansion of Longspee Special School at the Bournemouth Learning Centre</b>   | 61 - 66   |
| The purpose of the Report is to provide an update on Capital project.   |           |
| <b>10. Improvement Journey – progress update</b>  | 67 - 90   |
| Members received an overview report of progress at their last meeting on 29 <sup>th</sup> March and requested to see the performance information which substantiated the progress being made. Two performance-related documents are therefore attached which confirm the trajectory of improvement which has been maintained since the March committee.                             |           |
| <b>11. Covid Impact to include information on Pupil Premium and child poverty</b>   | 91 - 94   |
| This report gives an explanation of Pupil Premium and examples of how schools make use of it. The report outlines how Covid has impacted on the use of Pupil Premium and how schools have adapted their spend accordingly. The report also summarises How the HAF Programme and Winter Fund Grant supported our vulnerable children and families during the pandemic.               |           |
| <b>12. SEND Improvement Journey</b>   | 95 - 116  |
| The attached slide pack provides a summary of the statutory responsibility of the council, the views of children and young people, our areas for improvement and the current position.  |           |
| <b>13. Sufficiency Strategy for Children in Care (CiC) and Care Experienced Young People (CEYP) 2021 – 2024</b>   | 117 - 168 |
| The Sufficiency Strategy sets out how Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole Council (BCP Council) intends to meet its sufficiency duty as laid out in section 22G of the Children Act 1989. This requires local authorities to take steps that secure, as far as reasonably practical, sufficient accommodation for children in care within their local authority area.               |           |

**14. Portfolio Holder Update**

To receive any verbal updates from the Portfolio Holders.

**15. Items for Information**

- CAMHS Transformation Update Report

Any Information Only Reports will be circulated after the meeting.

**16. Forward Plan**

To consider the Committee's Forward Plan.

**17. Dates of Future Meetings**

To note the dates of future Children's Services Overview and Scrutiny Committees as follows:

- 27 July 2021
- 21 September 2021
- 23 November 2021
- 25 January 2022
- 22 March 2022

All meetings will commence at 6pm and venues to be confirmed.

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No other items of business can be considered unless the Chairman decides the matter is urgent for reasons that must be specified and recorded in the Minutes.