



# Children and Young People Scrutiny Committee

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Date: Tuesday 31 January 2017  
Time: 10.00am  
Venue: Scrutiny Committee Room, Level 2, Town Hall Extension

Everyone is welcome to attend this committee meeting.

There will be a private meeting for members only at 9.30 am in Committee Room 6 (2<sup>nd</sup> Floor of Town Hall Extension)

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## **Membership of the Committee**

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### **Councillors –**

Sameem Ali, Collins, Hewitson, Madeleine Monaghan, Reeves, Reid (Chair), K Simcock, Stone and Taylor

### **Co-opted Members -**

Mr L Duffy, Ms J Gudgeon, Mrs B Kellner, Mrs J Miles, Ms M Neall

## Agenda

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1 **Urgent business**

To consider any items which the Chair has agreed to have submitted as urgent.

2 **Appeals**

To consider any appeals from the public against refusal to allow inspection of background documents and/or the inclusion of items in the confidential part of the agenda.

3 **Interests**

To allow Members an opportunity to [a] declare any personal, prejudicial or disclosable pecuniary interests they might have in any items which appear on this agenda; and [b] record any items from which they are precluded from voting as a result of Council Tax/Council rent arrears; [c] the existence and nature of party whipping arrangements in respect of any item to be considered at this meeting. Members with a personal interest should declare that at the start of the item under consideration. If members also have a prejudicial or disclosable pecuniary interest they must withdraw from the meeting during the consideration of the item.

4 **Minutes**

To approve as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 3 January 2017.

To receive the minutes of the Ofsted Subgroup meeting held on 13 December 2016.

5 **Participation and Engagement Strategy**

Report of the Head of Youth Strategy and the Head of Quality Assurance for Safeguarding

This report outlines the wide range of engagement activities that children and young people are involved in across the city including their involvement in plans and review for them. It also provides an update on the Children's Rights Service delivered by Coram Voice. It summarises the work that is underway to refresh the children and young people's engagement strategy, Our City Our Say, which presents a clear vision and strategic plan to increase the participation and influence of children and young people in the decisions that impact on their lives and the communities in which they live.

6 **Budget Process 2017-2020: Consideration of the Executive's Draft Budget Proposals and Directorate Budget Reports and Business Plans**

Report of the Strategic Director (Children's Services), Director of Education and Skills and City Treasurer

This report provides an update on the Council's financial position and sets

out next steps in the budget process, including scrutiny of the Executive's draft Budget proposals and Directorate Budget and Business Plan reports and accompanying delivery plans by this Committee.

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7 **Update on Pupil Referral Units and school exclusions; information on unregistered schools, independent schools and supplementary schools**

Report of the Director of Education and Skills

This report provides an update on school exclusions for 2015/16, an update on the primary and secondary Pupil Referral Units (PRUs), and information on unregistered schools, independent schools and supplementary schools.

8 **Post Ofsted Improvement Plan Update: Ofsted's Monitoring Visit of the Local Authority – to follow**

9 **Post Ofsted Improvement Plan Update: Recruitment and Retention of Social Workers and Standards of Social Work Practice**

Report of the Strategic Director of Children's Services

The report sets out progress against the recruitment and retention programme for the scale up in capacity of the Social Work service in order to adequately manage overall demand whilst reducing caseloads to safe levels; and improvements in the standard of social work practice; since the last update to the Committee in September 2016.

10 **Greater Manchester Review of Children's Services**

Report of the Strategic Director of Children's Services

This report present an overview of the opportunities being explored for Children's Services across Greater Manchester as part of the 'city deal' secured by Manchester City Council and its partners. Whilst there are clearly opportunities for better cross border collaboration, sharing best practice and developing a self-improving system across the conurbation, there are also challenges which are likely to require further legislative changes.

11 **Overview Report**

Report of the Governance and Scrutiny Support Unit

This report provides the Committee with details of key decisions that fall within the Committee's remit and an update on actions resulting from the Committee's recommendations. The report also includes the Committee's work programme, which the Committee is asked to amend as appropriate and agree.

## Information about the Committee

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Scrutiny Committees represent the interests of local people about important issues that affect them. They look at how the decisions, policies and services of the Council and other key public agencies impact on the city and its residents. Scrutiny Committees do not take decisions but can make recommendations to decision-makers about how they are delivering the Manchester Strategy, an agreed vision for a better Manchester that is shared by public agencies across the city.

The Children and Young People Scrutiny Committee reviews the services provided by the Council and its partners for young people across the city including education, early years, school standards and valuing young people.

In addition to the elected members the Committee has seven co-opted member positions. These are:

- Representative of the Diocese of Manchester – Mrs Barbara Kellner
- Representative of the Diocese of Salford – Mrs Julie Miles
- Parent governor representative – Ms Monika Neall
- Parent governor representative – Vacant
- Parent governor representative – Vacant
- Secondary sector teacher representative – Mr Liam Duffy
- Primary sector teacher representative – Ms June Gudgeon

The co-opted members representing faith schools and parent governors are able to vote when the Committee deals with matters relating to education functions.

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