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To: The Chair and Members of the Children's  
Scrutiny Committee

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### **CHILDREN'S SCRUTINY COMMITTEE**

Tuesday, 16th March, 2021

A virtual meeting of the Children's Scrutiny Committee is to be held on the above date at 2.15 pm to consider the matters below. This meeting can be viewed via the [livestream link](#).

Phil Norrey  
Chief Executive

### **A G E N D A**

#### **PART I - OPEN COMMITTEE**

- 1 Apologies
- 2 Minutes  
Minutes of the meetings held on 25 January 2021 (previously circulated).
- 3 Items Requiring Urgent Attention  
Items which in the opinion of the Chair should be considered at the meeting as matters of urgency.
- 4 Public Participation  
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5 New Chief Officer

Welcome and Introduction.

**MATTERS FOR CONSIDERATION OR REVIEW**

6 Scrutiny Committee Work Programme

In accordance with previous practice, Scrutiny Committees are requested to review the list of forthcoming business and determine which items are to be included in the [Work Programme](#).

The Committee may also wish to review the content of the [Cabinet Forward Plan](#) and the Children's Services [Risk Register](#) to see if there are any specific items therein it might wish to explore further.

7 School Return Update

Verbal report of the Head of Education and Learning.

8 Child Exploitation (Pages 1 - 2)

Additional briefing plus Presentation from Inspector Simon Arliss from the Devon & Cornwall Police.

9 Department for Education - Commissioner's Update

Presentation by the Department for Education Children's Services Commissioner, Eleanor Brazil.

10 Education and Inclusion Final Outcomes (Pages 3 - 16)

Report of the Chief Officer for Children's Services (CS/21/04) to be considered by the Cabinet at its meeting on 10 March 2021, attached.

11 Commissioning Liaison Member Review (Pages 17 - 22)

Review report, attached.

**MATTERS FOR INFORMATION**

12 Commissioning Liaison Member Briefing (Pages 23 - 30)

Spring briefing, attached.

13 Children's Standing Overview Group (SOG) (Pages 31 - 36)

Reports from the January and February SOG meetings, attached.

14 Information Previously Circulated

Below is a list of information previously circulated for Members, since the last meeting, relating to topical developments which have been or are currently being considered by this Scrutiny Committee.

- Children's Commissioner final speech (17/2/21)

- Follow-up Q&As from December CSOG (17/2/21)
- [Briefing notes](#)

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Nil

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