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

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CHILDREN'S SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Tuesday, 18th January, 2022

A meeting of the Children's Scrutiny Committee is to be held on the above date at 2.15pm in the Council Chamber - County Hall to consider the following matters.

Phil Norrey
Chief Executive

A G E N D A

PART I - OPEN COMMITTEE

- 1 Apologies
- 2 Minutes (Pages 1 - 6)
Minutes of the meeting held on 9 November 2021, (previously circulated) and the notes from the 9 December 2021 Standing Overview Group meeting, attached.
- 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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MATTERS FOR CONSIDERATION OR REVIEW

5 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.

MATTERS FOR INFORMATION

6 Front Door Review (Pages 7 - 10)

Report of the Head of Children's Social Care and Head of Children's Health and Wellbeing, attached.

7 Early Help Review (Pages 11 - 18)

Report of the Head of Children's Social Care and Head of Children's Health and Wellbeing, attached.

8 Children's Services Performance Report (Pages 19 - 34)

Report of the Chief Officer for Children's Services covering Children's Social Care and Education, attached.

9 Schools Covid Update

A verbal update from the Head of Education and Learning.

10 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.

- Written response on Pocket Money and allowances (17th Nov)
- Written responses to Kevin's KLOE from Nov Committee (17th Nov)
- Future of Social Care Report from CCN (22nd Nov)
- Chair's Briefing - Eclipse (23rd Nov)
- Referral's written responses (7th Dec)
- LGSCO Ombudsman Draft Report (8th Dec)
- Richard Devine's Social Work Blog - Arthur Labinjo-Hughes (8th Dec)
- School Transport Pressures (10 January 2022)
- 2021 Spending Review Summary (10 January 2022)

[Briefing notes](#)

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