

SCRUTINY FOR POLICIES, CHILDREN AND FAMILIES COMMITTEE

Minutes of a Meeting of the Scrutiny for Policies, Children and Families Committee held in the Luttrell Room - County Hall, Taunton, on Friday 12 January 2018 at 10.00 am

Present: Cllr L Redman (Chairman), Cllr J Lock, Mrs Eileen Tipper, Mr Richard Berry, Cllr N Bloomfield, Cllr A Bown, Cllr M Dimery, Cllr N Hewitt-Cooper, Ruth Hobbs, Cllr M Pullin (Vice-Chair), Cllr J Williams and Cllr N Taylor

Other Members present:

Apologies for absence: Ms Helen Fenn

1 Declarations of Interest - Agenda Item 2

There were no declarations of interest.

2 Public Question Time - Agenda Item 3

There were no public speakers; however Cllr Redman, Chair of the Joint Committee meeting acknowledged the recent passing of Mr Campbell Main, Founder of Autism Somerset, who was a regular attendee at Scrutiny and Council meetings and would be missed.

3 Introduction and Outcomes - approx 30 minutes - Agenda Item 4

The Committees considered and received an introductory overview on:
•Emotional Health & Well-Being needs for Children & Young People; and,
•Commissioning Responsibilities.

4 Update from Clinical Commissioning Group - approx 30 minutes - Agenda Item 5

The Committees received an overview on:
Transformation of Child and Adult Mental Health Service (CAMHS); and,
Future in Mind – promoting, protecting and improving Children and Young People's Mental Health and Well-being.

5 Focus on Services - approx 2 hours - Agenda Item 6

Attention was then drawn to an overview of 4 specific areas and further information was provided on:
Perinatal & Infants;
Schools – whole school;
Children Looked After/Care Leavers; and,
Transitions – Child to Adult Services, for Children with mental health needs.

6 Conclusions/Summary - approx 10 minutes - Agenda Item 7

Members reflected on the meeting and requested the following action points:

Further information was requested on the numbers of those involved in Transitions from child to adult mental health services;
It was suggested and agreed that Councillors write letters in support of a funding application regarding Perinatal and Infants services and that Somerset MP's also be encouraged to support the request for additional resources.

7 Any other urgent items of business - Agenda Item 8

There were no other items of business and the Chair thanked all those present for attending and closed the meeting at 12:56..

(The meeting ended at 12.56 pm)

CHAIRMAN