

SCRUTINY FOR POLICIES, CHILDREN AND FAMILIES COMMITTEE (VIRTUAL MEETINGS FROM MAY 2020 DUE TO CORONAVIRUS)



Wednesday 6 May 2020

1.00 pm Virtual Committee Meeting

To: The members of the Scrutiny for Policies, Children and Families Committee (virtual meetings from May 2020 due to Coronavirus)

Cllr L Redman (Chair), Cllr R Williams (Vice-Chair), Cllr M Dimery, Cllr N Hewitt-Cooper, Cllr James Hunt, Cllr J Lock, Cllr W Wallace, Cllr J Williams.

Mr P Elliott, Ms Helen Fenn, Mrs Ruth Hobbs and Mrs Eileen Tipper.

All Somerset County Council Members are invited to attend.

Issued By Scott Wooldridge, Strategic Manager - Governance and Democratic Services - 28 April 2020

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AGENDA

Item Scrutiny for Policies, Children and Families Committee (virtual meetings from May 2020 due to Coronavirus) - 1.00 pm Wednesday 6 May 2020

**** Public Guidance notes contained in agenda annexe ****

1 Apologies for Absence

to receive Members' apologies

2 Declarations of Interest

Details of all Members' interests in District, Town and Parish Councils will be displayed in the meeting room. The Statutory Register of Member's Interests can be inspected via the Democratic Service team.

3 Virtual Committee Meetings Procedure and Guidance (Pages 7 - 18)

To consider this report on Virtual meetings procedure and guidance.

4 Public Question Time

The Chair will allow members of the public to ask a question or make a statement about any matter on the agenda for this meeting. **These questions may be taken during the meeting, when the relevant agenda item is considered, at the Chair's discretion.**

5 Scrutiny Work Programme (Pages 19 - 32)

To discuss any items for the forthcoming work programme. To assist the discussion, the following documents are attached:

- a) – The Cabinet's latest published forward plan;
- b) – Current Work Programme for the Committee.

6 Council response to Covid-19 - Children's Services Update (Pages 33 - 46)

7 School Exclusions - Task and Finish Group report (Pages 47 - 100)

To consider the final report from the School Exclusions Task and Finish Group.

8 Any other urgent items of business

The Chair may raise any items of urgent business.