
Education and Children's Services Scrutiny Board (2)

Time and Date

10.30 am on Thursday, 9th December, 2021

Place

Council Chamber - Council House

Please note that in line with current Government and City Council guidelines in relation to Covid, there will be reduced public access to the meeting to manage numbers attending safely. If you wish to attend in person, please contact the Governance Services Officers indicated at the end of the agenda.

Public Business

1. **Apologies and Substitutions**

2. **Declarations of Interests**

3. **Minutes** (Pages 3 - 10)

- a) To agree the minutes of the meeting held on 21st October, 2021
- b) Matters Arising

4. **Voice of the Child** (Pages 11 - 22)

Briefing Note of the Director of Children's Services

5. **Free School Meals Holiday Activities Fund Update** (Pages 23 - 26)

Briefing Note of the Director of Education and Skills

6. **School Readiness - Impact of Covid-19** (Pages 27 - 32)

Briefing Note of the Director of Education and Skills

7. **Work Programme** (Pages 33 - 36)

Briefing Note of the Scrutiny Co-ordinator

8. **Any Other Business**

Any other items of business which the Chair decides to take as matters of urgency because of the special circumstances involved.

Private Business

Nil

Wednesday, 1 December 2021

Notes: 1) The person to contact about the agenda and documents for this meeting is Michelle Rose, Governance Services, Council House, Coventry, telephone 7683 3111, alternatively information about this meeting can be obtained from the following web link: <http://moderngov.coventry.gov.uk>

2) Council Members who are not able to attend the meeting should notify Michelle Rose as soon as possible and no later than 9.00 a.m. on 9th December, 2021 giving their reasons for absence and the name of the Council Member (if any) who will be attending the meeting as their substitute.

3) Scrutiny Board Members who have an interest in any report to this meeting, but who are not Members of this Scrutiny Board, have been invited to notify the Chair by 12 noon on the day before the meeting that they wish to speak on a particular item. The Member must indicate to the Chair their reason for wishing to speak and the issue(s) they wish to raise.

Membership: Councillors F Abbott, P Akhtar, J Blundell, B Gittins (By Invitation), S Hanson, J Innes (Chair), K Jones (Co-opted Member), S Keough, K Sandhu (By Invitation), P Seaman (By Invitation), R Simpson, R Thay, C Thomas and A Tucker

Public Access

Please note that in line with current Government and City Council Covid guidelines, there will be reduced public access to the meeting to manage numbers attending safely.

Any member of the public who would like to attend the meeting in person is required to contact the following officers in advance of the meeting regarding arrangements for public attendance. A guide to attending public meeting can be found here:

<https://www.coventry.gov.uk/publicAttendanceMeetings>

Please note: a hearing loop is available in the committee rooms
If you require a British Sign Language interpreter for this meeting
OR if you would like this information in another format or language please contact us.

Michelle Rose

Telephone: (024) 7697 2645

e-mail: michelle.rose@coventry.gov.uk