

Flintshire County Council – Decisions taken by the Social & Health Care Overview & Scrutiny Committee on Thursday, 1 July 2021

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A1	Attendance and Apologies	<p>Present: Councillor Hilary McGuill (Chair) Councillors: Mike Allport, Marion Bateman, Paul Cunningham, Jean Davies, Carol Ellis, Gladys Healey, Mike Lowe, Dave Mackie and David Wisinger</p> <p>Substitutions Councillor Sean Bibby (for Cindy Hinds) and Councillor Geoff Collett (for Michelle Perfect)</p> <p>In Attendance: Councillor Christine Jones (Deputy Leader for Partnerships and Cabinet Member for Social Services); Chief Officer (Social Services); Senior Manager – Integrated Services and Lead Adults; Senior Manager – Children and Workforce; Senior Manager – Safeguarding and Commissioning; Early Years and Family Support Service Manager; Strategic Policy Advisor; Benefits Manager; Marketing and Recruitment Officer; Social Care and Environment Overview & Scrutiny Facilitator; Community and Education Overview & Scrutiny Facilitator and Democratic Services Officer</p>
A2	Declarations of Interest (Including Whipping Declarations)	None.
A2	Minutes	That the minutes be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair.
A3	Forward Work Programme and Action Tracking	<p>(a) That the Forward Work Programme be noted;</p> <p>(b) That the Facilitator, in consultation with the Chair of the Committee be authorised to vary the Forward Work Programme between meetings, as the need arises; and</p> <p>(c) That the Committee notes the progress made in completing the outstanding actions.</p>
A4	Social Services Director's Annual Report	That the final report, which includes the key developments of the past year and priorities for next year, be approved.
A5	Early Years	(a) That the Committee support the approach to Early Years and Family Support provision, and collaborations with key partners, and future development of an Early Years

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		<p>Strategy;</p> <p>(b) That the progress and impact being achieved through Welsh Government capital funding be noted;</p> <p>(c) That the Committee support the development of programmes with a strong evidence base of impact and cost effectiveness when commissioning early years and early intervention services. And that the council and partners continue to develop its own local evidence base to support positive early intervention; and</p> <p>(d) That the Committee support the refresh of the Parenting in Flintshire Parenting Programmes Framework, and support action being taken to raise awareness and the benefits of parenting programmes with key partners so that there is an increase in accessibility and availability of programmes that meet parent’s needs.</p>
A6	Childcare Sufficiency Assessment	<p>(a) That the report be noted; and</p> <p>(b) That the Committee support the on-going work and commitment to the delivery of the Childcare Sufficiency Assessment every five years and the annual Progress Report.</p>
A7	Disability and Discrimination	<p>(a) That the actions being taken to eliminate discrimination and promote equality for disabled people be noted; and</p> <p>(b) That the Committee receive the Strategic Equality Plan annual report 2020/21 prior to approval by Cabinet.</p>
A8	End of Year Performance Monitoring Report	That the report be noted.
A9	Joint funded care packages	(a) That the Committee is assured of the robust and proactive budget management approach Flintshire County Council takes to ensure joint funded care packages are

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		financially well managed; and (b) That the plan to introduce a CHC Monitoring Officer post, supported by ‘Invest to Save’ funding be noted.
A10	Commencement of the Socioeconomic Duty	(a) That the requirements of the Socio-economic Duty be noted; and (b) That the Committee is assured of the Council’s preparedness in meeting the new duty.
A13	Corporate Parenting and Fostering Strategy update (verbal item)	That the update be noted.