

Flintshire County Council – Decisions taken by the Education, Youth & Culture Overview & Scrutiny Committee on Thursday, 19 October 2023

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Part A – Items considered in public

A1	Appointment of Chair for the meeting	That Councillor Paul Cunningham be appointed as Chair for the meeting.
A2	Declarations of Interest (Including Whipping Declarations)	None were received.
A3	Forward Work Programme and Action Tracking	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) That the Forward Work Programme be noted; (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 (c) That the progress made in completing the outstanding actions be noted.
A4	Budget 2024/25 – Stage 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) That the Education and Youth portfolio’s cost pressures be noted; (b) That the Schools’ budget cost pressures be noted; (c) That the Education and Youth portfolio’s options to reduce budgets be noted; (d) That the options to reduce the delegated schools’ budget be noted; (e) That a report on issues around recruitment and retention be included on the Committee’s Forward Work Programme; and (f) That a report on Demographics and how this would impact future budgets be included on the Committee’s Forward Work Programme.
A5	Flintshire County Summer Playscheme 2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) That the Committee support Youth Services in liaising with Town and Community Councils around a three-year in principle funding cycle for community play provision;

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		<p>(b) That the Committee endorse Youth Services to work with a range of partners, such as Adult Community Learning to offer an extensive training package for all Play Development team members to ensure quality Play Work delivery was of the highest standard;</p> <p>(c) That the Committee endorse Youth Services to liaise with Town and Community Councils to opt for either three or six-week sites only, to allow for ease of recruitment, planning, business continuity and efficient use of resources;</p> <p>(d) That the Committee endorse the 'Transition Programme' by Flintshire Play Development and Youth Services, in order to effectively prepare children for the next stage of their lives through play-based coping strategies, which had been shown successful in the past academic year; and</p> <p>(e) That the Committee commit to supporting the Play Sufficiency Action Plan through advocacy, attending meetings, and attending local events which would help develop the PSA Action Group, champion inclusivity, attract additional external funding, increase community engagement and help create stronger networks which would have a positive impact on children's health and wellbeing.</p>