

# Blackpool Council

1 November 2023

To: Councillors Bamborough, S Brookes, Cooper, Critchley, Ellison, Fenlon, Flanagan, Jones, and Mrs Scott

Co-opted Members: Gemma Clayton and Jo Snape

The above members are requested to attend the:

## **CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE'S SCRUTINY COMMITTEE**

Thursday, 9 November 2023 at 6.00 pm  
In Committee Room A, Town Hall, Blackpool

### **A G E N D A**

#### **1 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Members are asked to declare any interests in the items under consideration and in doing so state:

(1) the type of interest concerned either a

- (a) personal interest
- (b) prejudicial interest
- (c) disclosable pecuniary interest (DPI)

and

(2) the nature of the interest concerned

If any member requires advice on declarations of interests, they are advised to contact the Head of Democratic Governance in advance of the meeting.

#### **2 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING HELD ON 21 SEPTEMBER 2023** (Pages 1 - 6)

To agree the minutes of the last meeting held on 21 September 2023 as a true and correct record.

### **3 PUBLIC SPEAKING**

To consider any requests from members of the public to speak at the meeting.

### **4 EXECUTIVE DECISIONS** (Pages 7 - 12)

To consider the Executive and Cabinet Member decisions within the portfolios of the Cabinet Members taken since the last meeting of the Committee.

### **5 FORWARD PLAN** (Pages 13 - 22)

The Committee to consider the content of the Council's Forward Plan November 2023 to February 2024, relating to the portfolios of the relevant Cabinet Members.

### **6 BLACKPOOL BETTER START ANNUAL UPDATE** (Pages 23 - 68)

This is an annual report for the Committee summarising key achievements of the Better Start Partnership over the last 12 months, details of the time extension received from the National Lottery Community Fund, future focus areas, and sustainability progress.

### **7 BLACKPOOL YOUTH JUSTICE SERVICE** (Pages 69 - 76)

The purpose of the report is to provide scrutiny committee with an update regarding Blackpool's Youth Justice Service.

### **8 STATUTORY ASSESSMENTS AND EXAMINATIONS UPDATE 2022-2023** (Pages 77 - 172)

To provide the Committee with a summary of the outcomes, in aggregate, for the Blackpool children at each statutory assessment point in 2022-23 school year, starting with GCSE and equivalent

### **9 COUNCIL PLAN PERFORMANCE Q1 - Q2 2023/24** (Pages 173 - 178)

To present performance against the Council Plan key performance indicators (KPIs) relevant to the remit of this Committee.

### **10 CHILDREN'S SAFEGUARDING ASSURANCE PARTNERSHIP ANNUAL REPORT** (Pages 179 - 200)

To consider the Children's Safeguarding Assurance Partnership Annual Report to year end 31 March 2023.

### **11 SCRUTINY WORKPLAN** (Pages 201 - 210)

To note the ongoing workplan for the 2023/2024 Municipal Year and consider the update to previous Committee recommendations.

## **12 DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING**

To note the date and time of the next meeting as 25 January 2024, commencing at 6.00pm.

### **Venue information:**

First floor meeting room (lift available), accessible toilets (ground floor), no-smoking building.

### **Other information:**

For queries regarding this agenda please contact Sharon Davis, Scrutiny Manager, Tel: 01253 477213, e-mail [sharon.davis@blackpool.gov.uk](mailto:sharon.davis@blackpool.gov.uk)

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