

# Blackpool Council

19 March 2024

To: Councillors Bamborough, S Brookes, Cooper, Critchley, Ellison, Fenlon, Flanagan, Jones and C Mitchell

Co-opted Members: Jo Snape and Gemma Clayton

The above members are requested to attend the:

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

Wednesday, 27 March 2024 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 25 JANUARY 2024** (Pages 1 - 8)

To agree the minutes of the last meeting held on 25 January 2024 as a true and correct record.

### **3 PUBLIC SPEAKING**

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

### **4 FORWARD PLAN** (Pages 9 - 16)

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

### **5 BORN INTO CARE PROJECT** (Pages 17 - 38)

To update the Committee around the Born into Care project and the impact that the key findings and changes can have upon children and families of Blackpool.

### **6 BLACKPOOL FAMILIES ROCK** (Pages 39 - 42)

To update the Scrutiny committee regarding the Blackpool Families Rock, co-produced ethos. The way in which we work with families, work with each other and the way we as a Council act.

### **7 PLACEMENT STABILITY FOR FOSTER CARERS** (Pages 43 - 68)

To consider the specific issue of placement stability and the impact on children, families and foster carers.

### **8 YOUNG INSPECTORS' PROGRAMME** (Pages 69 - 76)

To provide an update on the work of the young inspectors' programme.

### **9 SCRUTINY COMMITTEE WORKPLAN** (Pages 77 - 86)

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

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

To note the date and time of the next meeting is to be confirmed at Annual Council.

#### **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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