



WOKINGHAM BOROUGH COUNCIL

A Meeting of the **CHILDREN'S SERVICES OVERVIEW
AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE** will be held in
David Hicks 1 - Civic Offices, Shute End, Wokingham RG40
1B Non **TUESDAY 20 JUNE 2023 AT 7.00 PM**

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Chief Executive
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Our Vision
<i>A great place to live, learn, work and grow and a great place to do business</i>
Enriching Lives
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Champion excellent education and enable our children and young people to achieve their full potential, regardless of their background. • Support our residents to lead happy, healthy lives and provide access to good leisure facilities to enable healthy choices for everyone. • Engage and empower our communities through arts and culture and create a sense of identity for the Borough which people feel part of. • Support growth in our local economy and help to build business.
Providing Safe and Strong Communities
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Protect and safeguard our children, young and vulnerable people. • Offer quality care and support, at the right time, to reduce the need for long term care. • Nurture our communities: enabling them to thrive and families to flourish. • Ensure our Borough and communities remain safe for all.
Enjoying a Clean and Green Borough
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Play as full a role as possible to achieve a carbon neutral Borough, sustainable for the future. • Protect our Borough, keep it clean and enhance our green areas for people to enjoy. • Reduce our waste, promote re-use, increase recycling and improve biodiversity. • Connect our parks and open spaces with green cycleways.
Delivering the Right Homes in the Right Places
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offer quality, affordable, sustainable homes fit for the future. • Ensure the right infrastructure is in place, early, to support and enable our Borough to grow. • Protect our unique places and preserve our natural environment. • Help with your housing needs and support people, where it is needed most, to live independently in their own homes.
Keeping the Borough Moving
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maintain and improve our roads, footpaths and cycleways. • Tackle traffic congestion and minimise delays and disruptions. • Enable safe and sustainable travel around the Borough with good transport infrastructure. • Promote healthy alternative travel options and support our partners in offering affordable, accessible public transport with good transport links.
Changing the Way We Work for You
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Be relentlessly customer focussed. • Work with our partners to provide efficient, effective, joined up services which are focussed around our customers. • Communicate better with customers, owning issues, updating on progress and responding appropriately as well as promoting what is happening in our Borough. • Drive innovative, digital ways of working that will connect our communities, businesses and customers to our services in a way that suits their needs.
Be the Best We Can Be
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Be an organisation that values and invests in all our colleagues and is seen as an employer of choice. • Embed a culture that supports ambition, promotes empowerment and develops new ways of working. • Use our governance and scrutiny structures to support a learning and continuous improvement approach to the way we do business. • Be a commercial council that is innovative, whilst being inclusive, in its approach with a clear focus on being financially resilient. • Maximise opportunities to secure funding and investment for the Borough. • Establish a renewed vision for the Borough with clear aspirations.

Appendix Acronyms

CPD	Continuous Professional Development
EYFS	Early Years Foundations Stage
FGB	Full Governing Body
KS1	Key Stage 1
KS2	Key Stage 2
MAT	Multi Academy Trust
NLE	National Leader of Education
NLG	National Leader of Governance
RI	Requires Improvement
RSC	Regional Schools Commissioner
SDP	School Development Plan
SEF	Self Evaluation Form
SIB	School Improvement Board
SIO	School Improvement Officer
SLT	Senior Leadership Team
TSA	Teaching School Alliance
WLP	Wokingham Learning Partnership

MEMBERSHIP OF THE CHILDREN'S SERVICES OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Councillors

Andrew Mickleburgh
Anne Chadwick
Andrew Gray

Jane Ainslie
Graham Howe

Ian Pittock
Phil Cunnington

Substitutes

Pauline Helliar-Symons
Chris Johnson
Michael Firmager

Morag Malvern
Alison Swaddle

Rachelle Shepherd-DuBey
Tony Skuse

Parent Governor Representatives

Vacancy, Parent Governor Representative
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Diocesan Representatives

Richard Lamey, Church of England Representative
Vacancy, Roman Catholic Representative

Community Representatives

Sarah Clarke, SEND Voices Wokingham

ITEM NO.	WARD	SUBJECT	PAGE NO.
1.		ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN To elect a Chairman for the 2023/24 municipal year.	
2.		APPOINTMENT OF VICE-CHAIRMAN To appoint a Vice-Chairman for the 2023/24 municipal year.	
3.		APOLOGIES To receive any apologies for absence.	
4.		DECLARATION OF INTEREST To receive any declarations of interest.	
5.		MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING To confirm the Minutes of the Meeting held on 22 March 2023.	7 - 16
6.		PUBLIC QUESTION TIME To answer any public questions. A period of 30 minutes will be allowed for members of the public to ask questions submitted under notice.	

The Council welcomes questions from members of the public about the work of this committee.

Subject to meeting certain timescales, questions can relate to general issues concerned with the work of the Committee or an item which is on the Agenda for this meeting. For full details of the procedure for submitting questions please contact the Democratic Services Section on the numbers given below or go to www.wokingham.gov.uk/publicquestions

7.		MEMBER QUESTION TIME To answer any member questions.	
8.	None Specific	SEND YOUTH FORUM To receive a verbal report on the activity undertaken by the SEND Youth Forum.	Verbal Report
9.	None Specific	DRAFT UASC STRATEGY To receive and consider the Draft UASC Strategy report.	17 - 42
10.	None Specific	HOME TO SCHOOL TRANSPORT To receive and consider the Home to School Transport report.	Verbal Report
11.	None Specific	IMPACT OF THE COST OF LIVING CRISIS To receive and consider the Impact of the Cost of Living Crisis report.	43 - 52
12.	None Specific	ILACS OFSTED UPDATE AND ACTION PLAN To receive a presentation about the most recent Inspection of Local Authority Children's Services (ILACS).	53 - 64
13.	None Specific	SAFETY VALVE UPDATE To receive and consider an update on the Safety Valve programme.	Verbal Report
14.	None Specific	EXECUTIVE MEMBER UPDATE To receive a verbal update from the Executive Member for Children's Services.	Verbal Report
15.	None Specific	SCHOOL SUFFICIENCY UPDATE To receive and consider the School Sufficiency Update report.	65 - 82
16.	None Specific	SCHOOLS UPDATE To receive and consider a report containing an update on schools and education in the borough.	83 - 88
17.	None Specific	FORWARD PROGRAMME	89 - 92

To receive and consider the CSO&S Forward Programme of work.

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EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC

That under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act (as amended) as appropriate.

19. None Specific

SCHOOLS CAUSING CONCERN – PART 2

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A report containing details of schools causing concern will be considered in a Part 2 session.

Any other items which the Chairman decides are urgent

A Supplementary Agenda will be issued by the Chief Executive if there are any other items to consider under this heading

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