SCRUTINY COMMITTEE FOR CHILDREN'S SERVICES

MONDAY 12 NOVEMBER 2012, 10.00am

COUNCIL CHAMBER, COUNTY HALL, LEWES

MEMBERSHIP Councillors Michael Ensor (Chairman); Kathryn Field (Vice-Chairman), Terry Fawthrop, Martin Kenward, Stephen Shing, Rosalyn St Pierre, Meg Stroude, Trevor Webb and Francis Whetstone.

Mr Simon Parr (Roman Catholic Diocese representative) Ms Susan Thompson (Church of England Diocese representative)

Ms Nicola Boulter and Ms Catherine Platten (Parent Governor Representatives)

Councillor Gill Mattock (District / Borough representative) Mrs Carole Shaves MBE (Police Authority representative) Mr Jeremy Alford (Health representative)

AGENDA

- 1. Minutes of meeting held on 10 September 2012 (page 1)
- 2. Apologies for absence
- 3. Disclosure by all Members present of personal interests in matters on the agenda, the nature of any interest and whether the member regards the interest as prejudicial under the terms of the Code of Conduct.
- 4. Notification of matters which the Chairman considers to be urgent and proposes to take at the end of the agenda. Any Members who wish to raise urgent items are asked, where possible, to notify the Chairman before the start of the meeting. In doing so, they must state the special circumstances which they consider justify the matter being considered urgent.
- Children's Centres Strategy report by the Director of Children's Services (page 7) To consider the performance of Children's Centres and the outcomes of a recent service review.
- Educational Attainment in East Sussex 2011/12 report by the Director of Children's Services (page 17) To consider and comment on an initial analysis of 2012 standards in East Sussex schools, colleges and other education settings.
- Securing Educational Excellence in East Sussex: tackling under performance report by the Director of Children's Services (page 35) To consider progress towards securing educational excellence in East Sussex schools, as set out in the *Proposition for Partnership*.

- THRIVE Transformation Programme progress report by the Director of Children's Services (page 45) To consider progress with the THRIVE programme which represents a fundamental reshaping of our children safeguarding systems, supported by a significant corporate investment.
- 9. Scrutiny Committee Work Programme attached at page 59.
- 10. The Forward Plan for the period 10 December 2012 to 31 January 2013 is attached at page 63. The Committee is asked to make comments on the Plan or request further information.
- 11. Any urgent items previously notified under agenda item 4.

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