



**MEETING:** OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE (CHILDREN'S SERVICES AND SAFEGUARDING)

**DATE:** Tuesday 12th March, 2024

**TIME:** 6.30 pm

**VENUE:** Committee Room - Bootle Town Hall, Trinity Road, Bootle, L20 7AE

### Member

Councillor  
Councillor Hardman (Chair)  
Councillor Carlin (Vice-Chair)  
Councillor Danny Burns  
Councillor Carragher  
Councillor Evans  
Councillor Harvey  
Councillor Christopher Page  
Councillor Prendergast  
Councillor Richards  
Councillor Spring  
Maurice Byrne, Healthwatch  
Mrs Sandra Cain, Independent  
Advisory Member  
Karen Christie, Healthwatch  
Stuart Harrison, Diocese  
Michelle Ravey, Arch Diocese  
Gemme Armer, PGR  
Cheryl Swainbank, PGR

### Substitute

Councillor  
Councillor Tweed  
Councillor Myers  
Councillor Corcoran  
Councillor Lloyd-Johnson  
Councillor Hart  
Councillor John Joseph Kelly  
Councillor Brough  
Councillor McGinnity  
Councillor John Kelly  
Councillor Grace

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# **A G E N D A**

## **1. Apologies for Absence**

## **2. Declarations of Interest**

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Where a Member discloses a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest, he/she must withdraw from the meeting room, including from the public gallery, during the whole consideration of any item of business in which he/she has an interest, except where he/she is permitted to remain as a result of a grant of a dispensation.

Where a Member discloses a personal interest he/she must seek advice from the Monitoring Officer or staff member representing the Monitoring Officer to determine whether the Member should withdraw from the meeting room, including from the public gallery, during the whole consideration of any item of business in which he/she has an interest or whether the Member can remain in the meeting or remain in the meeting and vote on the relevant decision.

## **3. Minutes of the Previous Meeting**

(Pages 5 - 14)

Minutes of the meeting held on 30 January 2024.

## **4. Attendance of the Multi Agency Safeguarding Hub**

A verbal item to receive information on the Multi Agency Safeguarding Hub and Partnership Working.

## **5. Cabinet Member Reports**

(Pages 15 - 34)

Report of the Chief Legal and Democratic Officer

## **6. Children's Services Improvement Programme**

To receive a verbal update from the Executive Director of Children's Social Care and Education.

## **7. Summary of Recent Audit Activity**

(Pages 35 - 44)

Report of the Assistant Director, Safeguarding, Review and Quality Assurance.

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| <b>8.</b>  | <b>Ofsted Inspection Reports</b>                                                                                                    | (Pages 45 -<br>50) |
|            | Report of the Director of Children's Social Care and Education                                                                      |                    |
| <b>9.</b>  | <b>Education Scorecard</b>                                                                                                          | (To Follow)        |
|            | Report of the Executive Director of Children's Social Care and Education.                                                           |                    |
| <b>10.</b> | <b>Review of the Operation and Terms of Reference of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee (Children's Services and Safeguarding)</b> | (Pages 51 -<br>66) |
|            | Report of the Executive Director of Corporate Resources and Customer Services.                                                      |                    |
| <b>11.</b> | <b>Work Programme Key Decision Forward Plan</b>                                                                                     | (Pages 67 -<br>90) |
|            | Report of the Chief Legal and Democratic Officer                                                                                    |                    |