

COUNTY BOROUGH OF BLAENAU GWENT

REPORT TO: **THE PRESIDING MEMBER AND MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL**

SUBJECT: **PEOPLE SCRUTINY COMMITTEE - 18th JULY, 2023**

REPORT OF: **DEMOCRATIC & COMMITTEE SUPPORT OFFICER**

PRESENT: Councillor T. Smith (Chair)

Councillors Jen Morgan, J.P.

C. Bainton

D. Bevan

J. Gardner

G. Thomas

D. Wilkshire

L. Parsons (*substituting for G. Humphreys*)

Mr. T. Baxter (Co-opted Member)

WITH:

Interim Corporate Director of Education

Service Manger Education Transformation & Business Change

Service Manager Young People & Partnerships

Head of Children's Services

Head of Adult Services

Head of Democratic Services, Governance & Partnerships

Service Manager Children's Services

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>SUBJECT</u>	<u>ACTION</u>
No. 1	<u>SIMULTANEOUS TRANSLATION</u> It was noted that no requests had been received for the simultaneous translation service.	
No. 2	<u>APOLOGIES</u> Apologies for absence were reported for Councillor G.	

	Humphreys, J. Wilkins (<i>invited for Item No. 7</i>) and the Interim Corporate Director of Social Services.	
No. 3	<p><u>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND DISPENSATIONS</u></p> <p>No declarations of interest or dispensations were reported.</p>	
No. 4	<p><u>TIME OF FUTURE MEETINGS</u></p> <p>The Committee AGREED that meetings be held at 10.00 a.m.</p>	
No. 5	<p><u>PEOPLE SCRUTINY COMMITTEE</u></p> <p>The decisions of the People Scrutiny Committee held on 28th April, 2023 were submitted.</p> <p>The Committee AGREED that the decisions be accepted as a true record of proceedings.</p>	
No. 6	<p><u>PROPOSED SCRUTINY COMMITTEE FORWARD WORK PROGRAMME 2023-24</u></p> <p>Consideration was given to report of the Scrutiny & Democratic Officer.</p> <p>The Committee AGREED that the Forward Work Programme for the People Scrutiny Committee be accepted (Option 1).</p>	
No. 7	<p><u>SAFEGUARDING PERFORMANCE INFORMATION (INCLUDING SOCIAL SERVICES 1ST JANUARY TO 31ST MARCH AND EDUCATION SPRING TERM-2023 AND CORPORATE SERVICES)</u></p> <p>Consideration was given to the joint report of the Interim Corporate Director of Social Services and the Interim Corporate Director of Education.</p> <p>The Committee AGREED to recommend (Option 1), namely:</p> <p>a) The approach and information detailed in the report (Appendix 1) be accepted as provided; and</p>	

	b) Recommend that Cabinet agree the revised Safeguarding in Education Policy as shown in Appendix 3.	
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