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NOTICE OF MEETING

CHILDREN'S SERVICES OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Date & Time

Tuesday, 25 February 2014 10.00 a.m.

Venue at

Council Chamber, Priory House, Monks Walk, Shefford

Richard Carr
Chief Executive

To: The Chairman and Members of the CHILDREN'S SERVICES OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY COMMITTEE:

Cllrs Mrs A Barker (Chairman), N B Costin (Vice-Chairman), R D Berry, D Bowater, Mrs G Clarke, Mrs R J Drinkwater, Mrs D B Gurney, P Hollick, D Jones and R B Pepworth

[Named Substitutes:

Mrs S A Goodchild, K Janes, B Saunders, A Shadbolt and N J Sheppard]

Co-optees: Mr Chapman (Parent Governor), Mr Court (Parent Governor), Ms Image (Roman Catholic Diocese), and Mr Reynolds (Church of England Diocese)

All other Members of the Council - on request

**MEMBERS OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND THIS
MEETING**

AGENDA

1. **Apologies for Absence**

Apologies for absence and notification of substitute members.

2. **Minutes**

To approve as a correct record the Minutes of the meeting of the Children's Services Overview and Scrutiny Committee held on 21 January 2014 and to note actions taken since that meeting.

3. **Members' Interests**

To receive from Members any declarations of interest and of any political whip in relation to any agenda item.

4. **Chairman's Announcements and Communications**

To receive any announcements from the Chairman and any matters of communication.

5. **Petitions**

To receive petitions from members of the public in accordance with the Public Participation Procedure as set out in Annex 2 of Part A4 of the Constitution.

6. **Questions, Statements or Deputations**

To receive any questions, statements or deputations from members of the public in accordance with the Public Participation Procedure as set out in Annex 1 of part A4 of the Constitution.

7. **Call-In**

To consider any decision of the Executive referred to this Committee for review in accordance with Procedure Rule 10.10 of Part D2.

8. **Requested Items**

To consider any items referred to the Committee at the request of a Member under Procedure Rule 3.1 of Part D2 of the Constitution.

Reports

Item	Subject	Page Nos.
9	The impact on children of living in family circumstances of domestic violence and abuse	* 11 - 18

The Committee will receive a report and presentation relating to the impact on children of living in family circumstances of domestic violence and abuse in order to:-

1. increase the understanding of Members in relation to the prevalence of incidents
2. consider how best to support a multi-agency partnership approach to deal with the issue.
3. reach consensus on some outcome focused recommendations that will enhance the offer to children living in these circumstances

The Committee has invited a significant number of persons to contribute to this discussion in order to agree evidence based recommendations.