Children and Young People Committee

Minutes CYP(3)-17-09

Date: 24 November 2009 Time: 9:20 - 11:28

Venue: Committee Room 2, Senedd

Assembly Members in Attendance

Helen Mary Jones (Chair), Llanelli Angela Burns, Carmarthen West and South Pembrokeshire Christine Chapman, Cynon Valley Eleanor Burnham, North Wales

Committee Service

Abigail Phillips, Clerk Sarah Bartlett, Deputy Clerk Stephen Boyce, Members Research Service Sian Thomas, Members Research Service Helen Roberts, Legal Adviser

Others in Attendance

Beverlea Frowen-Director of Social Services and Health Improvement, Children Commissioning Support Resource

Andrew Stephens - Director of the Local Government Data Unit, Children Commissioning Support Resource

Philip Franklin - Head of ICT, Children Commissioning Support Resource

Colette Limbrick - Assistant Director, NSPCC

Simon Jones - Policy and Public Affairs Manager for Wales, NSPCC

Dr Carolyn Sampeys - Community Paediatrician/ Named Doctor for Adoption, Fostering and Looked after children, Cardiff and Vale University Health Board

Item 1: Introduction, apologies and substitutions

- 1.1 The Chair welcomed Committee Members and members of the public.
- 1.2 Apologies were received from Lynne Neagle.
- 1.3 There were no declarations of intrest.
- 1.4 The Chair welcomed Abi Phillips as Clerk to the committee and noted that Tom Jackson would be writing the report into the arrangments for the placement of Children into care.

Item 2: Inquiry into arrangements for the placement of children into care - Evidence gathering

Children Commissioning Support Resource (CSSR)

2.1 The Witnesses gave a short presentation and responded to questions from the Committee.

Actions

Committee Service to arrange for Members to explore further the CSSR database within their constituencies.

2.2 The Chair thanked the witnesses for attending the meeting.

NSPCC

- 2.3 The Witnesses responded to questions from the Committee.
- 2.4 The Chair thanked the witnesses for attending the meeting and submitting written evidence in advance.

British Association for Adoption and Fostering

- 2.5 The Witness responded to questions from the Committee.
- 2.6 The Chair thanked the witness for attending the meeting and submitting written evidence in advance.

3. Inquiry into Safe places to hang out - Scoping paper

- 3.1 A motion was agreed and the remainder of the meeting was held in Private.
- 3.2 The Terms of Reference for the inquiry were agreed.
- 3.3 The Chair reminded Members that the next meeting would take place on 8 December.

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