



Safeguarding & Special Educational Needs Sub (Community & Children's Services) Committee

Date: TUESDAY, 1 JULY 2025

Time: 10.30 am

Venue: COMMITTEE ROOMS, 2ND FLOOR, WEST WING, GUILDHALL

Members: Deputy Helen Fentimen OBE JP Sushil Saluja
(Chairman) Stuart Thompson
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Deputy Ceri Wilkins

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Ian Thomas CBE
Town Clerk and Chief Executive

AGENDA

Part 1 - Public Agenda

1. **APOLOGIES**

2. **MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS UNDER THE CODE OF CONDUCT IN RESPECT OF ITEMS ON THE AGENDA**

3. **ELECTION OF DEPUTY CHAIRMAN**

To elect a Deputy Chairman in accordance with Standing Order 26 (6).

For Decision

4. **MINUTES**

To agree the public minutes and non-public summary of the previous meeting held on 14th November 2024.

For Decision
(Pages 7 - 14)

5. **SAFEGUARDING ADULTS WHO ARE ROUGH SLEEPING OR HOMELESS**

Report of the Executive Director, Community & Children's Services.

For Information
(Pages 15 - 30)

6. **HOUSING ASSISTANCE POLICY**

Report of the Executive Director, Community & Children's Services.

For Information
(Pages 31 - 40)

7. **ADULT SOCIAL CARE SAFEGUARDING PERFORMANCE REPORT 2024/25 (Q1 – Q4)**

Report of the Executive Director, Community & Children's Services.

For Information
(Pages 41 - 44)

8. **FAMILIES IN THE CITY UPDATE**

Report of the Executive Director, Community & Children's Services.

For Information
(Pages 45 - 56)

9. **CHILDREN AND FAMILIES SERVICE PERFORMANCE – MONTH 12 2024/25
(MARCH 2025)**

Report of the Executive Director, Community & Children's Services.

For Information
(Pages 57 - 64)

10. **CHILDREN'S SOCIAL CARE AND FAMILY HELP SERVICE DEVELOPMENT
PLAN 2025–26**

Report of the Executive Director, Community & Children's Services.

For Information
(Pages 65 - 72)

11. **EDUCATION AND EARLY YEARS SERVICE SAFEGUARDING UPDATE**

Report of the Executive Director, Community & Children's Services.

For Information
(Pages 73 - 82)

12. **CITY OF LONDON, QUALITY ASSURANCE OF CARE PROVIDERS, ANNUAL
REPORT 2024–25**

Report of the Executive Director, Community & Children's Services.

For Information
(Pages 83 - 94)

13. **CITY OF LONDON VIRTUAL SCHOOL**

Report of the Executive Director, Community & Children's Services.

For Information
(Pages 95 - 116)

14. **CITY OF LONDON SAFEGUARDING AND QUALITY ASSURANCE, 2024–25
PARTICIPATION ANNUAL REPORT**

Report of the Executive Director, Community & Children's Services.

For Information
(Pages 117 - 138)

15. **CITY OF LONDON, DCCS, 2024–2025 LOCAL AUTHORITY DESIGNATED OFFICER ANNUAL REPORT**

Report of the Executive Director, Community & Children's Services.

For Information
(Pages 139 - 154)

16. **CITY OF LONDON, CHILDREN'S SERVICES PRACTICE AND IMPACT REVIEW SUMMARY, AIDHOUR SCRUTINY SEPTEMBER 2024 – FEBRUARY 2025**

Report of the Executive Director, Community & Children's Services.

For Information
(Pages 155 - 170)

17. **CITY OF LONDON, DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AND CHILDREN'S SERVICES, 2024–25 PRIVATE FOSTERING ANNUAL REPORT**

Report of the Executive Director, Community & Children's Services.

For Information
(Pages 171 - 182)

18. **QUESTIONS OF MATTERS RELATING TO THE WORK OF THE SUB-COMMITTEE**

19. **ANY OTHER BUSINESS THE CHAIRMAN CONSIDERS URGENT**

20. **EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC**

MOTION, that – under Section 100(A) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded from the meeting for the following items on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Part I of the Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act.

For Decision

Part 2 - Non-Public Agenda

21. **NON-PUBLIC MINUTES**

To agree the non-public minutes of the previous meeting held on 14th November 2024.

For Decision
(Pages 183 - 184)

22. **NON-PUBLIC APPENDICES**

For Information

- a) Non-Public Appendix to be received in conjunction with item 7 (Pages 185 - 196)
- b) Non-Public Appendix to be received in conjunction with item 9 (Pages 197 - 230)

23. **INDEPENDENT REVIEWING OFFICER (IRO), ANNUAL REPORT FOR 2023–2024**

Report of the Executive Director, Community & Children's Services.

For Information
(Pages 231 - 262)

24. **NON-PUBLIC QUESTIONS ON MATTERS RELATING TO THE WORK OF THE SUB-COMMITTEE**

25. **ANY OTHER BUSINESS THAT THE CHAIRMAN CONSIDERS URGENT AND WHICH THE SUB-COMMITTEE AGREE SHOULD BE CONSIDERED WHILST THE PUBLIC ARE EXCLUDED**