

**SUBJECT OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE 2 - THURSDAY, 23 NOVEMBER 2023**

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE SUBJECT OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE 2 HELD HYBRID IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER - CIVIC OFFICES, ANGEL STREET, BRIDGEND, CF31 4WB / REMOTELY VIA MICROSOFT TEAMS ON THURSDAY, 23 NOVEMBER 2023 AT 10:00**

Present

Councillor F D Bletsoe – Chairperson

S Aspey  
RL Penhale-Thomas

P Davies  
A Wathan

D M Hughes

M Lewis

Apologies for Absence

E L P Caparros, D T Harrison and J Llewellyn-Hopkins

Councillor Jane Gebbie - Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Social Services and Health

Officers:

Claire Marchant  
Lindsay Harvey  
Laura Kinsey  
David Wright  
Mark Lewis  
Jessica Mclellan

Corporate Director Social Services and Wellbeing  
Corporate Director Education and Family Support  
Head of Children's Social Care  
Deputy Head of Children's Social Care  
Group Manager – Family Support  
Scrutiny Officer

Cabinet Member:

Councillor Jon-Paul Blundell

Cabinet Member for Education

External Invitees:

Superintendent Clayton Ritchie  
Claire O'Keefe  
Andrea Bevan  
Myfanwy Moran  
Charlotte Leese

South Wales Police  
Head of Safeguarding, Cwm Taf Morgannwg University Health Board  
Senior Nurse, Cwm Taf Morgannwg University Health Board  
Senior Manager - Local Authority Inspection Team - Care Inspectorate Wales  
Local Authority Link Inspector for Bridgend - Estyn

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Declarations of Interest

None.

**51. Approval of Minutes**

Decision Made	<u>RESOLVED:</u> That the Minutes of meetings of Subject Overview and Scrutiny Committee 2 dated 8 December 2022 and 18 September 2023 be approved as a true and accurate record.
Date Decision Made	23 November 2023

**52. Joint Inspection of Child Protection Arrangements (JICPA) in Bridgend 12-16 June 2023**

Decision Made	<u>RESOLVED:</u> Following detailed consideration and discussions with Invitees, Officers and Cabinet Members as well as a written statement from the Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Social Services and Health, the Committee made the following Recommendations:  <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. That the Committee write to the Invitees expressing the Committee's gratitude for their attendance at the Committee meeting and for providing transparent and comprehensive responses to Members' questions.</li><li>2. That the Committee write a letter, in support of the Cabinet Member for Education and the Corporate Director Education and Family Support, highlighting the importance of safeguarding training for School Governors and requesting that urgent consideration be given to making such training mandatory.</li></ol>
Date Decision Made	23 November 2023

**53. Forward Work Programme Update**

Decision Made	<u>RESOLVED:</u> That the Committee approved the Forward Work Programme (FWP) in Appendix A, noted the Recommendations Monitoring Action Sheet in Appendix B and noted that the FWP, Recommendations Monitoring Action Sheet and any updates from the Committee would be reported to the next meeting of Corporate Overview and Scrutiny Committee.
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**54. Urgent Items**

Decision Made	None
Date Decision Made	23 November 2023

The meeting closed at 12:19