

Children and Young People Committee

Minutes CYP(3)-18-09

Date: 8 December 2009

Time: 9:15 - 11:15

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

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

Others in Attendance

Jane Hutt AM, Minister for Children, Education, Lifelong Learning and Skills
David Hawker Director, Department of Children Education Lifelong Learning and Skills
Karen Williams, Fostering Net Work Group
Sean Edmunds, Fostering Net Work Social Worker
Alanna Jones, Representative from the 'Sons & Daughters Group'
Sophie Hunt, Representative from the 'Sons & Daughters Group'
Annie Hunt, Representative from the 'Sons & Daughters Group'
Nicole Davies, Representative from the 'Sons & Daughters Group'
Lauren Jones, Representative from the 'Sons & Daughters Group'

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 interest.

2. Scrutiny of Minister for Children, Education, Lifelong Learning and Skills on the implementation of Committee's recommendations in its report on 'Child Poverty in Wales: Eradication through Education'

- 2.1 The Minister for Children, Education, Lifelong Learning and Skills responded to questions on the implementation of Committee's recommendations in its report on 'Child Poverty in Wales: Eradication through Education'.
- 2.2 The Chair thanked the Minister and official for attending the meeting and for submitting written evidence in advance.

3. Inquiry into arrangements for placement of Children into care Sons and Daughters of Foster Carer Groups - Fostering Network

- 3.1 The Chair welcomed the young children, Sean Edmunds and Karen Williams to the committee.
- 3.2 The Chair thanked the witnesses for attending the meeting.

4. Inquiry into arrangements for the placement of children into care - consideration of emerging issues

- 4.1 A motion was agreed and the remainder of the meeting was held in Private.
- 4.2 The Committee discussed the emerging issues of the inquiry.
- 4.3 The Chair reminded members that the next meeting would take place on 19 January 2010

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