

CHILDREN AND LIFELONG LEARNING SCRUTINY PANEL
AGENDA
for meeting on Thursday 31st July 2025
at 4.30 p.m. in Grimsby Town Hall

1.	<u>Apologies for Absence</u> To record any apologies for absence.	-
2.	<u>Declarations of Interest</u> To record any declarations of interest by any Member of the Panel in respect of items on this agenda. Members declaring interests must identify the agenda item and the type and detail of the interest declared.	-
3.	<u>Minutes</u> To approve as a correct record the minutes of the Children and Lifelong Learning Scrutiny Panel meeting on 6 th March 2025 (copy attached).	9
4.	<u>Question time</u> To invite members of the public to put questions to the Children and Lifelong Learning Scrutiny Panel. To ensure a satisfactory response, members of the public are requested to give at least 5 working days' notice of any question they may have, in writing, to Democratic Services.	-
5.	<u>Forward plan</u> To consider the current forward plan and to identify any items for examination by this panel via the pre-decision call-in procedure. Members should refer to the forward plan electronically in advance of the meeting. Please see the attached link to the latest forward plan: Forward Plan	-
6.	<u>Tracking the recommendations of scrutiny</u> To receive a report from the Statutory Scrutiny Officer tracking the recommendations of the Children and Lifelong Learning Scrutiny Panel (copy attached).	15

7.	<p><u>Council Plan Year End Performance & Provisional Financial Outturn Review 2024-2025</u></p> <p>To receive a report from the Portfolio Holder for Finance, Resources and Assets providing key information and analysis of the Council's plan year end performance and provisional financial outturn review 2024/25.</p> <p>Please note this report was considered by Cabinet at its meeting held on 11th June 2025 and was referred to all scrutiny panels (copy attached).</p>	19
8.	<p><u>Children's Services Improvement Journey</u></p> <p>To receive a report from the Director of Children's Service providing the panel with an update on the performance and implementation of the transformation programme that will deliver the Improvement Plan (copy attached).</p>	117
9.	<p><u>Children's Homes update</u></p> <p>To receive a report from the Director of Children Services on the provision of children's homes in North East Lincolnshire and updates on the creation of more provision within the borough (copy attached).</p>	125
10.	<p><u>Special Educational Needs and Disabilities Provision</u></p> <p>To receive a report from the Service Director for Education, Inclusion & Integration on the Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) Provision (copy attached).</p>	129
11.	<p><u>Children's Services Workforce Update</u></p> <p>To receive a report from the Director of Children Services on the newly developed Children Services Workforce (copy attached).</p>	133
12.	<p><u>Children and Lifelong Learning Scrutiny Panel - Work Programme 2025/26</u></p> <p>To approve the work programme for 2025-26 for the Children and Lifelong Learning Scrutiny Panel (copy attached).</p>	137
13.	<p><u>Questions to Portfolio Holder</u></p> <p>To consider inviting members to put questions to the Portfolio Holder for Children, Young People and Education.</p> <p>To ensure a satisfactory response, Members are requested to give 3 clear working days' notice of any question they may have, in writing, to Democratic Services.</p>	-
14.	<p><u>Calling in of Decisions</u></p> <p>To consider any formal requests from Members of this Panel to call in decisions of recent Cabinet and Portfolio Holder meetings.</p>	-

15.	<u>Urgent Business</u> To receive any business which, in the opinion of the Chair, is urgent by reason of special circumstances which must be stated and minuted.	-
16.	<u>Exclusion of Press and Public</u> To consider requesting the press and public to leave on the grounds that discussion of the following business is likely to disclose exempt information within the relevant paragraphs of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended).	-
17.	<u>Children's Social Care Improvement</u> To provide an opportunity, at the close of this meeting, to discuss any confidential matters of concern with the Director of Children's Services.	-

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