

CHILDREN AND LIFELONG LEARNING SCRUTINY PANEL AGENDA

**for the meeting on Monday 2nd March 2026
at 4.30 p.m. in Grimsby Town Hall**

1.	<p><u>Apologies for Absence</u></p> <p>To record any apologies for absence.</p>	-
2.	<p><u>Declarations of Interest</u></p> <p>To record any declarations of interest by any Member of the Panel in respect of items on this agenda.</p> <p>Members declaring interests must identify the agenda item and the type and detail of the interest declared.</p>	-
3.	<p><u>Minutes</u></p> <p>To approve the minutes of the special Children and Lifelong Learning Scrutiny Panel meeting on 12th January 2026 and the Children and Lifelong Learning Scrutiny Panel meeting on 15th January 2026 (copy attached).</p>	9
4.	<p><u>Question Time</u></p> <p>To invite members of the public to put questions to the Children and Lifelong Learning Scrutiny Panel.</p> <p>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.</p>	-
5.	<p><u>Forward Plan</u></p> <p>To consider the current forward plan and to identify any items for examination by this panel via the pre-decision call-in procedure.</p> <p>Members should refer to the forward plan electronically in advance of the meeting. Please see the attached link to the latest forward plan:</p> <p>Forward Plan</p>	-
6.	<p><u>Tracking the recommendations of scrutiny</u></p> <p>To receive a report from the Statutory Scrutiny Officer tracking the recommendations of the Children and Lifelong Learning Scrutiny Panel (copy attached).</p>	19

7.	<p><u>2025/26 Q3 Council Plan Resources and Finance Performance</u></p> <p>To receive a report from the Leader of the Council and Portfolio Holder for Economy, Regeneration, Devolution and Skills that provides information and analysis of the Council's financial performance during the third quarter of 2025-26.</p> <p>Please note this report was considered by Cabinet at its meeting held on 11th February and was referred to all scrutiny panels. (copy attached)</p>	25
8.	<p><u>School Attendance, Attainment & Exclusions</u></p> <p>To receive a report from the Director of Children Services on school attendance, attainment and exclusions (copy attached).</p>	163
9.	<p><u>Family Hubs</u></p> <p>To receive a briefing note from the Director of Children Services on the latest position in relation to The Family Hubs across North East Lincolnshire (copy attached).</p>	175
10.	<p><u>Elective Home Education</u></p> <p>To receive a report from the Director of Children's Services that provides a summary statement of children that are electively home educated in North East Lincolnshire. (copy attached).</p>	187
11.	<p><u>Children's Social Care Reforms</u></p> <p>To receive a report from the Director of Children's Services on the National Children's Social Care Reforms (copy attached)</p>	193
12.	<p><u>Children and Lifelong Learning Scrutiny Panel - Work Programme Review 2025/26 and Work Programme 2026/27</u></p> <p>To receive a report from the Statutory Scrutiny Officer which reflects on the 2025/26 municipal year, and the work undertaken by the Children and Lifelong Learning Scrutiny Panel. The panel will also consider, within its terms of reference, suggestions to be included in the 2026/27 work programme (copy attached).</p>	201
13.	<p><u>Questions to Portfolio Holder</u></p> <p>To consider any panel members' questions to the Portfolio Holder.</p> <p>To ensure a satisfactory response, members are requested to give three 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.	<p><u>Urgent Business</u></p> <p>To receive any business which, in the opinion of the Chair, is urgent by reason of special circumstances which must be stated and minuted.</p>	-
16.	<p><u>Exclusion of Press and Public</u></p> <p>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).</p>	-
17.	<p><u>Children's Social Care Improvement</u></p> <p>To provide an opportunity, at the close of this meeting, to discuss any confidential matters of concern with the Director of Children's Services.</p>	-

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