

A MEETING of the EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE will be held in the COUNCIL CHAMBER, COUNCIL HEADQUARTERS, NEWTOWN ST BOSWELLS, TD6 0SA on TUESDAY, 21 MARCH 2017 at 10.00 am

J. J. WILKINSON,
Clerk to the Council,

14 March 2017

BUSINESS		
1.	Apologies for Absence	
2.	Order of Business	
3.	Declarations of Interest	
EDUCATION BUSINESS		
4.	Achieving Excellence & Equity - Closing the Attainment Gap - Pupil Equity Funding (Pages 1 - 10) Consider report by Service Director Children and Young People outlining the drive to raise attainment for all Borders children and to close the attainment gap between the most and least disadvantaged (copy attached).	10 mins
5.	Early Learning and Childcare - Expansion to 1140 Hours (Pages 11 - 20) Consider report by Service Director Children and Young People on the proposed strategic approach to the delivery of 1140 hours funded Early Learning and Childcare (copy attached).	10 mins
6.	Any Other Education Items Previously Circulated	
7.	Any Other Education Items which the Chairman Decides are Urgent	
	Education Theme Additional Membership of Committee:- Mr G. Donald, Mr G. Jarvie, Jeanette Aitchison (Parent Representative), Alison Ferahi (Parent Representative), Pupil Representatives.	
OTHER BUSINESS		
8.	Minute (Pages 21 - 26)	2 mins

	Minute of Meeting of Executive Committee of 7 March 2017 to be approved and signed by the Chairman (copy attached).	
9.	Final Revenue Virements and Earmarked Balances 2016/17 (Pages 27 - 36) Consider report by Chief Financial Officer (copy attached).	10 mins
10.	Housing Benefit Overpayment and Debt Recovery Policy (Pages 37 - 66) Consider report by Service Director Neighbourhood Services (copy attached).	20 mins
11.	Additional Funding from Sustrans (Pages 67 - 70) Consider report by Service Director Regulatory Services providing details on additional funding from Sustrans for cycling and walking related projects (copy attached).	10 mins
12.	Annual Report on the Social Work Statutory Complaints Procedures from 1 January 2016 to 31 December 2016 and New Social Work Complaints Handling Process (Pages 71 - 130) Consider report by Chief Social Work Officer and Service Director Neighbourhood Services (copy attached).	15 mins
13.	Any Other Items Previously Circulated	
14.	Any Other Items which the Chairman Decides are Urgent	
15.	Private Business Before proceeding with the private business, the following motion should be approved:- "That under Section 50A(4) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 the public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in the relevant paragraphs of Part 1 of Schedule 7A to the aforementioned Act".	
16.	Housing Benefit and Council Tax Reduction Verification Policy (Pages 131 - 144) Consider report by Service Director Neighbourhood Services.	15 mins

NOTES

- Timings given above are only indicative and not intended to inhibit Members' discussions.**
- Members are reminded that, if they have a pecuniary or non-pecuniary interest in any item of business coming before the meeting, that interest should be declared prior to commencement of discussion on that item. Such declaration will be recorded in the Minute of the meeting.**

Membership of Committee:- Councillors D. Parker (Chairman), S. Aitchison, S. Bell, C. Bhatia, J. Brown, M. J. Cook, V. M. Davidson, G. Edgar, J. G. Mitchell, D. Moffat, D. Paterson, F. Renton and R. Smith.

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