

CHILDREN'S SCRUTINY PANEL

Date: Monday 9th March, 2026
Time: 4.30 pm
Venue: Mandela Room, Town Hall

AGENDA

1. Welcome and Fire Evacuation Procedure

In the event the fire alarm sounds attendees will be advised to evacuate the building via the nearest fire exit and assemble at the Bottle of Notes opposite MIMA.

2. Apologies for Absence

3. Declarations of Interest

4. Minutes - Children's Scrutiny Panel - 26 January 2026 3 - 8

5. Update - Ofsted Focused Visit to the Front Door of Children's Services 9 - 12

The Corporate Director of Children's Services will provide the Panel with an update on the findings of the Ofsted Focused Visit to the 'Front Door' of Children's Services in December 2025.

6. Update on Previous Review - Children Missing Education (CME)

The Corporate Director will provide the Panel with a verbal update on progress against the Service Area Action Plan/Response to the Panel's recommendations resulting from its review of 'Children Missing Education'.

7. Out of Area Specialist Provision - Further Evidence 13 - 14

The Corporate Director of Children's Services will provide the Panel with further evidence in relation to comparative information regarding use of Out of Area Placements in a Social Care context.

8. Corporate Director's Update

The Corporate Director of Children's Services will provide a verbal update on any matters pertinent to the Panel, as and when appropriate.

9. Any other urgent items which in the opinion of the Chair, may be considered.

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Charlotte Benjamin
Director of Legal and Corporate Services

Town Hall
Middlesbrough
Friday 27 February 2026

MEMBERSHIP

Councillors E Clynch (Chair), D Jackson (Vice-Chair), M Nugent, S Platt, A Romaine, S Tranter and Z Uddin

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