

Children's Trust Joint Committee

Wednesday 24th November 2021

At 2:10 pm in the Council Chamber, Swanspool House, Wellingborough.

Members in Attendance:

Councillor Scott Edwards	North Northamptonshire Council
Councillor Fiona Baker	West Northamptonshire Council
Councillor Lloyd Bunday	North Northamptonshire Council
Councillor Jonathan Nunn	West Northamptonshire Council
Councillor Jason Smithers	North Northamptonshire Council

Officers in Attendance:

Rob Bridge	Chief Executive NNC
Anna Earnshaw	Chief Executive WNC
Janice Gotts	Executive Director of Finance NNC
Martin Hendry	Executive Director of Finance WNC
Cathi Hadley	Director of Children's Services
Tony Challinor	Assistant Director of Commissioning and Partnerships NNC
Rory Seymour	Commissioning Manager NNC
Anne Ireson	Democratic Services NNC

17. Apologies

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Matt Golby (WNC).

18. Minutes

Resolved that the minutes of the meeting of the Children's Trust Joint Committee held on 22nd September 2021 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

19. Notifications of Requests to Address the Meeting

None.

20. Declarations of Interest

None.

21. Progress on the Development of the Northamptonshire Children’s Trust Business Plan and Provisional Contract Sum

A report was submitted which provided updates on the following: -

- The provisional contract sum negotiations between North and West Northamptonshire Councils and Northamptonshire Children’s Trust (NCT); and
- The development of NCT’s Business Plan for the 2022-25 period.

It was noted that, once agreement had been reached, the Business Plan and provisional contract sum would be presented for approval at the meeting of the Committee to be held in December. It would subsequently be subject to consultation, scrutiny, and approval processes in place for the respective council budgets.

The Chair thanked councillors and officers for their contributions to the negotiations and the development of the Business Plan.

Resolved that:

- (a) the process for negotiating the Trust’s contract sum and the work completed to date in coming to an agreement be noted; and
- (b) the plan for a revision Business Plan and provisional contract sum to be brought to the December Joint Committee for approval be noted.

22. Urgent Business

None.

(The meeting commenced at 2.10 pm and ended at 2.16 pm)

Signed
Chair