

PRE-SCHOOL SUB-COMMITTEE

TUESDAY 25th FEBRUARY 2020

Minutes of the meeting of the **PRE-SCHOOL SUB-COMMITTEE**, held in the Council Chamber, Council Offices, School Aycliffe Lane, Newton Aycliffe, on **TUESDAY, 25th FEBRUARY 2020 at 6.00 p.m.**

PRESENT

Councillor M. Ashcroft (Chairman) and Councillors:
R.S. Fleming, Mrs S. Haigh, Kathy Beetham, M. Iveson and Mrs S.J. Iveson

OFFICERS

Mr A. Bailey (Town Clerk)
Miss A. Donald (Town Clerk's PA)
Miss J. Gale (Pre-School Manager)
Mrs L. Downton (Pre-School Deputy Manager and SENCO)

13. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies for absence.

14. MEMBERS' DISPENSATIONS

No applications for dispensations had been received.

15. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

16. PUBLIC QUESTIONS

There were no public questions.

17. MINUTES

It was proposed by Councillor M. Iveson, seconded by Councillor Mrs S.J. Iveson, and

RESOLVED - that the minutes of the meeting of the Pre-School Sub-Committee, held on the 18th September 2019, be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

18. PRE-SCHOOL LEARNING CENTRE UPDATE REPORT

The Pre-School Manager submitted a report updating members on Pre-School attendance figures, staffing, activities and events.

RESOLVED – that it be recommended that:

- i) The report be received.
- ii) A letter be sent to the Early Years team at Durham County Council regarding concerns surrounding the behaviour of one of the children.

19. EXEMPT BUSINESS

It was proposed by Councillor Mrs S.J. Iveson, seconded by Councillor M. Iveson, and

RESOLVED – that in view of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted it was in the opinion of the Council, advisable that the public and press be excluded from the meeting.

20. COMPLAINT TO OFSTED

The Pre-School Manager submitted a report regarding recent allegations made to Ofsted by a parent of a child who had left the Pre-School in July 2019.

RESOLVED – that it be recommended that:

- i) The report and supporting information be received.
- ii) Actions taken by staff be supported and endorsed by the Pre-School Sub-Committee.
- iii) A letter be sent from the Pre-School Sub-Committee complimenting staff on their work in the Pre-School.

21. RE-ADMISSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

It was proposed by Councillor M. Iveson, seconded by Councillor R.S. Fleming, and

RESOLVED – that it be recommended that the press and public be re-admitted to the meeting.

CHAIRMAN