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## **CHILDREN, YOUNG PEOPLE & EDUCATION SCRUTINY PANEL**

**Tuesday, 10th January, 2023 at 7.00 pm in the Conference Room,  
Civic Centre, Silver Street, Enfield, EN1 3XA**

### **Membership:**

Councillors: Elif Erbil (Chair), Gunes Akbulut (Vice Chair), Ahmet Oykenner, Andrew Thorp, Adrian Grumi, Nelly Gyosheva, Suna Hurman and Ruby Sampson

### **AGENDA – PART 1**

**1. WELCOME & APOLOGIES**

**2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Members of the Committee are invited to identify any disclosable pecuniary, other pecuniary or non-pecuniary interests relevant to the items on the agenda.

**3. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING (Pages 1 - 4)**

To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 2 November 2022.

**4. LEVEL OF CARE PLACES IN THE BOROUGH AND THE NATIONAL SHORTAGE OF CARE PLACES (Pages 5 - 14)**

The purpose of this briefing note is to provide members of the Children, Young People and Education Scrutiny Panel with an update on the level of care places in the borough and the national shortages of care places.

**5. RECRUITMENT AND RETENTION OF SOCIAL WORKERS** (Pages 15 - 20)

To provide an update on the work that has been taken to recruit and retain children social workers.

**6. RECRUITMENT AND RETENTION OF FOSTER CARERS** (Pages 21 - 48)

This report updates the Scrutiny Panel on the work of the Fostering Service relating to the recruitment and retention of foster carers, which was highlighted as a priority for the Cabinet Member.

**7. WORK PROGRAMME 2022/23** (Pages 49 - 52)

To note the Children, Young People and Education Work Programme for 2022/23.

**8. DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

To note that the next meeting is scheduled to take place on 23 March 2023.