



SCRUTINY : SOCIAL SERVICES

**3.00 pm TUESDAY, 2ND FEBRUARY, 2021
REMOTE MEETING - MICROSOFT TEAMS**

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AGENDA

1. Apologies for absence
2. Declarations of Interest (including whipping declarations)

Members are reminded of their personal responsibility to declare any personal and prejudicial interest in respect of matters contained in this agenda in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government and Finance Act 1992 relating to Council Tax, the Local Government Act 2000, the Council's Constitution and the Members Code of Conduct

Note:

(a) Members are reminded that they must identify the item number and subject matter that their interest relates to and signify the nature of the personal interest and

(b) Where Members withdraw from a Meeting as a consequence of the disclosure of a prejudicial interest they must notify the Chair when they leave

3. Wales Audit Office: Review of Whistleblowing and Corporate Safeguarding
To consider report of the Chief Officer Social Services **5 - 10**
4. Adult Advocacy Strategy
To consider report of the Chief Officer Social Services **11 - 42**
5. Children's Services Strategy
To consider report of the Chief Officer Social Services **43 - 52**
6. Forward Work Programme 2020/21
To consider the attached report **53 - 64**
7. Scrutiny Referrals, Feedback and Follow up Actions
To receive an update from the Chair
8. Reflection and Evaluation of Meeting
To receive an update from the Chair
9. Any other business deemed urgent by the Chair

COMPOSITION:

Councillors: W R Smith (Chair)
S Jago (Vice-Chair)

Councillors: G Richards, T Rogers, D Sammon and
I Thomas

Co-optees: I Cathrew

together with appropriate officers

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