

Education and Vulnerable Children O&S Committee

Short Inquiry: Children Missing from Home and Care

Session Plan

21st October 2015 at 9.30am in Committee Rooms 3 & 4

Key question: What safeguards does the City Council, working with partners, need to implement to effectively and comprehensively reduce the number of children who are missing from home and care and minimise the risks they are exposed to?

Time (approx)	Witness / Speaker	Organisation / Department
9.30 – 9.40 (10 mins)	Cllr Susan Barnett, Chair	Introductions and purpose of the meeting
9.40 – 10.20 (40 mins)	Christine Wellington, Head of Service	Multi Agency Safeguarding Hub (MASH)
10.20 – 11.00 (40 mins)	Rob Willoughby, Area Director and Bali Hothi, Programme Manager for Birmingham	Children Society
11.50 – 11.40 (40 mins)	DCI Dean Young	West Midlands Police
11.40 – 12.20 (40 mins)	Michelle Gardiner, Assistant Head of Service, Internal Fostering and Val Thompson, Service Manager, Internal Residential Homes	Children in Care, Birmingham City Council
12.20 – 1.00 (40 mins)	Sivay Heer, Head of Service, Integrated Services and Care - East	Children in Care, Birmingham City Council
1.00 – 1.05 (5 mins)	Cllr Susan Barnett, Chair	Summing up and next steps

The above are indicative timings and attendees/witnesses may find it beneficial to stay for the whole meeting.