



NOTICE OF MEETING

CABINET MEMBER FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

FRIDAY, 20 MARCH 2020 AT 5.00 PM

THE EXECUTIVE MEETING ROOM - THIRD FLOOR, THE GUILDHALL

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Group Spokespersons

Councillor Judith Smyth, Labour

Councillor Matthew Atkins, Conservative

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AGENDA

- 1 **Apologies for absence**
- 2 **Declaration of interests**
- 3 **Allowances and Skill Fees Annual Review (Pages 3 - 62)**

Purpose

To provide the Cabinet Member with an update, following a review of the allowances and skills fees for foster carers, Staying Put, Family Link and Lodgings-Plus carers; and to seek approval to implement the revised policy (which includes the scale of allowances and fees table) at Appendix 1.

RECOMMENDED that the Cabinet Member for Children & Families

- 1. Approve the revised policy (Appendix 1) with effect from 01 April 2020, and specifically note the following key changes:**
 - i. The proposal for Hub home carer payments under the pilot Mockingbird Programme.**
 - ii. The proposal to increase the Introduction Fee from £250 to £500.**

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