#### IMPROVING LIVES SELECT COMMISSION

Date and Time:- Tuesday 2 December 2025 at 10.00 a.m.

Venue:- Rotherham Town Hall, The Crofts, Moorgate Street,

Rotherham. S60 2TH

Membership:- Councillors Monk (Chair), Brent (Vice-Chair), Adair,

Blackham, Bower, Clarke, T. Collingham, Elliott, Fisher, Garnett, Harper, Hughes, Ismail, Pitchley, Reynolds, Ryalls, Sutton, Ms. L. Hickey, Mr. M. Hemmingway and

Mr. J. Newman.

This meeting will be webcast live and will be available to view <u>via the Council's website</u>. The items which will be discussed are described on the agenda below and there are reports attached which give more details.

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#### AGENDA

### 1. Apologies for Absence

To receive the apologies of any Member who is unable to attend the meeting.

# 2. Minutes of the Previous Meeting held on 4th November, 2025 (Pages 4 - 20)

To consider and approve the minutes of the previous meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> November, 2025 as a true and correct record of the proceedings and to be signed by the Chair.

#### 3. Declarations of Interest

To receive declarations of interest from Members in respect of items listed on the agenda.

### 4. Exclusion of the Press and Public

To consider whether the press and public should be excluded from the meeting during consideration of any part of the agenda and whether any items should be considered under the categories suggested in accordance with Part 1 of Schedule 12A (as amended 2006) of the Local Government Act 1972.

Under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for:-

Agenda Item 6 (Fostering Transformation Programme – Appendix 4) on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraph 4 of Part I of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972 (information Paragraph 6b (Information which reveals that the authority proposes to make an order or direction under any enactment) and (Information which reveals that the authority proposes to make an order or direction under any enactment) and Paragraph 2 (Information which is likely to reveal the identity of an individual).

#### 5. Questions from Members of the Public and the Press

To receive questions relating to items of business on the agenda from members of the public or press who are present at the meeting.

# 6. Fostering Transformation Programme (incorporating Prevention of Future Deaths Report) (Pages 21 - 62)

This report addresses the need to review the current Fostering Programme in the light of changing sufficiency needs for children and young people in care in Rotherham. This will incorporate the response of the Council to the tragic death of Marcia Grant and the formal Prevention of Future Deaths report following the inquest in July 2025.

# 7. The Rotherham Safeguarding Children's Partnership Annual Assurance Report 2024-2025 (Pages 63 - 96)

The RSCP report for 2024/25 provides an update on the key partnership activity during the year, based on the strategic priorities. The impact of the work against these priorities will be demonstrated alongside a summary of any activity by the key partner agencies.

This item also covers what the partnership has done as a result of the arrangements, including Child Safeguarding Practice Reviews (CSPR), and how effective these arrangements have been in practice.

## 8. Work Programme (Pages 97 - 99)

To consider and approve the Commission's Work Programme.

### 9. Improving Lives Select Commission - Sub and Project Group Updates

For the Chair/Project Group Leads to provide an update on the activity regarding sub and project groups of the Improving Lives Select Commission.

# 10. Urgent Business

To consider any item(s) the Chair is of the opinion should be considered as a matter of urgency.

The next meeting of the Improving Lives Select Commission will be held on Tuesday 10 February 2026 commencing at 10.00 a.m. in Rotherham Town Hall.

John Edwards,

Chief Executive.

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