



Children and Young People Scrutiny Committee Agenda

9.30 am

Monday, 20 October 2025

Council Chamber, Town Hall, Darlington, DL1 5QT

Members of the Public are welcome to attend this Meeting.

1. Introductions/ Attendance at Meeting
2. Declarations of Interest
3. To approve the Minutes of the meeting of this Scrutiny Committee held on 1 September 2025 (Pages 3 - 4)
4. Appointment of Co-opted Member –
Report of the Assistant Director Law and Governance
(Pages 5 - 6)
5. Adoption Tees Valley Annual Report –
Report of representatives of Adoption Tees Valley
(Pages 7 - 38)
6. Learning and Skills Annual Report 2024-25 –
Report of the Assistant Director Education and Inclusion
(Pages 39 - 44)
7. Children's Services Self Assessment 2024-25 –
Report of the Assistant Director of Children's Services
(Pages 45 - 86)

8. Performance Indicators Quarter 1 2025-26 –
Report of the Assistant Director of Children's Services
(Pages 87 - 122)
9. Work Programme –
Report of the Assistant Director Law and Governance
(Pages 123 - 134)
10. SUPPLEMENTARY ITEM(S) (if any) which in the opinion of the Chair of this Committee are
of an urgent nature and can be discussed at this meeting
11. Questions

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Amy Wennington
Assistant Director Law and Governance

Friday, 10 October 2025

Town Hall
Darlington.

Membership

Councillors Ali, Allen, Crudass, Johnson, Layton, Marshall, Renton, Dr. Riley, Storr and Toms

Non Statutory Co-optees

Maura Regan, Janet Woodcock, John Armitage and Sally Hudson

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