

## **Children and Young People Overview and Scrutiny Committee**

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### **Oasis Restore Secure School Update**

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#### **Summary**

An update is being provided to the Committee detailing actions taken as part of the planned improvements to address safety and security issues following temporary closure in August 2025 as a result of findings of an Ofsted monitoring visit.

#### **1. Recommendation**

1.1. The Committee is asked to note progress made to date as detailed in the presentation at Appendix 1.

#### **2. Budget and policy framework**

2.1. This report is prepared in the context of the Council's statutory duty, with named partners, to maintain a Children's Safeguarding Partnership to oversee the well-being of all children residing in Medway. So far as children living in the secure school the discharge of this duty is a complex matter, since the children themselves can be drawn from anywhere in England or Wales, and the primary responsibilities for them are held by the Youth Custody Service (acting as an Executive Agency of the Ministry of Justice), and the authorities within whose areas the children are ordinarily resident. Some of these children are also children in care to whom additional duties are owed by their home areas.

2.2. This item is being circulated separately to the main agenda as it was necessary to undertake further work in finalising the report. The Chairperson of the Committee is of the opinion that it should be considered at this meeting as a matter of urgency as permitted under section 100B of the Local Government Act 1972 to enable discussion on the improvement journey at the earliest opportunity.

#### **3. Background**

3.1. The presentation provides the Committee with an update on progress made since temporary closure of the secure school.

3.2. The presentation outlines the following:

- Reason for closure
- Data on children
- Child voice
- Case study
- Improvement plan and priorities
- Training programme

4. Risk management

4.1. The risks are identified in the presentation.

5. Financial implications

5.1. There are no direct financial implications arising from this update report.

6. Legal implications

6.1. There are no direct legal implications arising from this update report.

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Appendices

Appendix 1 Presentation

Background papers

None