

AGENDA

Membership of Children's Services Overview and Scrutiny Committee

Councillors:

Diana Hale (Chair) James Halden (Vice Chair)

Charles Curtis, Martin Healy, Cathy Kent, Sue Little

Substitutes:

Mark Coxshall, Oliver Gerrish, Steve Liddiard, Joy Redsell, Mike Stone

Co-opted Member/s:

Mr S Cray (Parent Governor Representative)

Mr A McPherson (Parent Governor Representative)

Mrs P Wilson (Roman Catholic Church Representative)

Reverend D Barlow (Church of England Representative)

**Meeting: CHILDREN'S SERVICES OVERVIEW AND
SCRUTINY COMMITTEE**

Date: 2 July 2013

Time: 7:00pm

Venue: COMMITTEE ROOM 1

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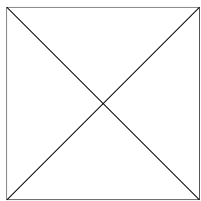
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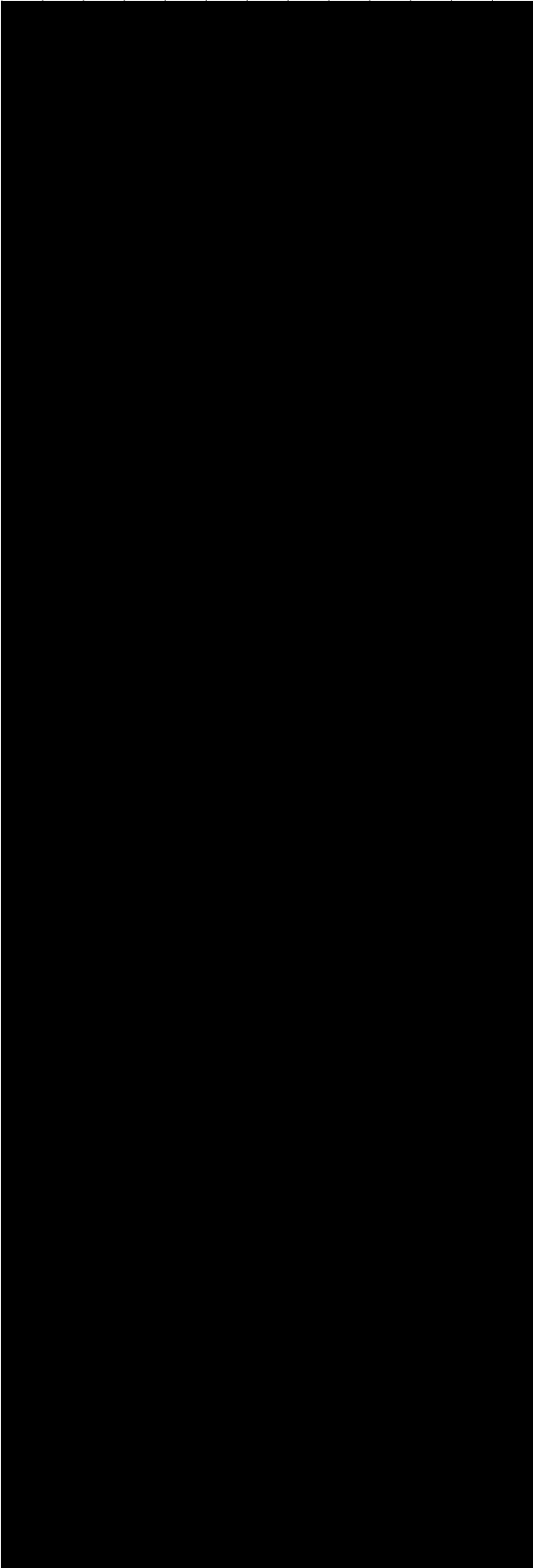
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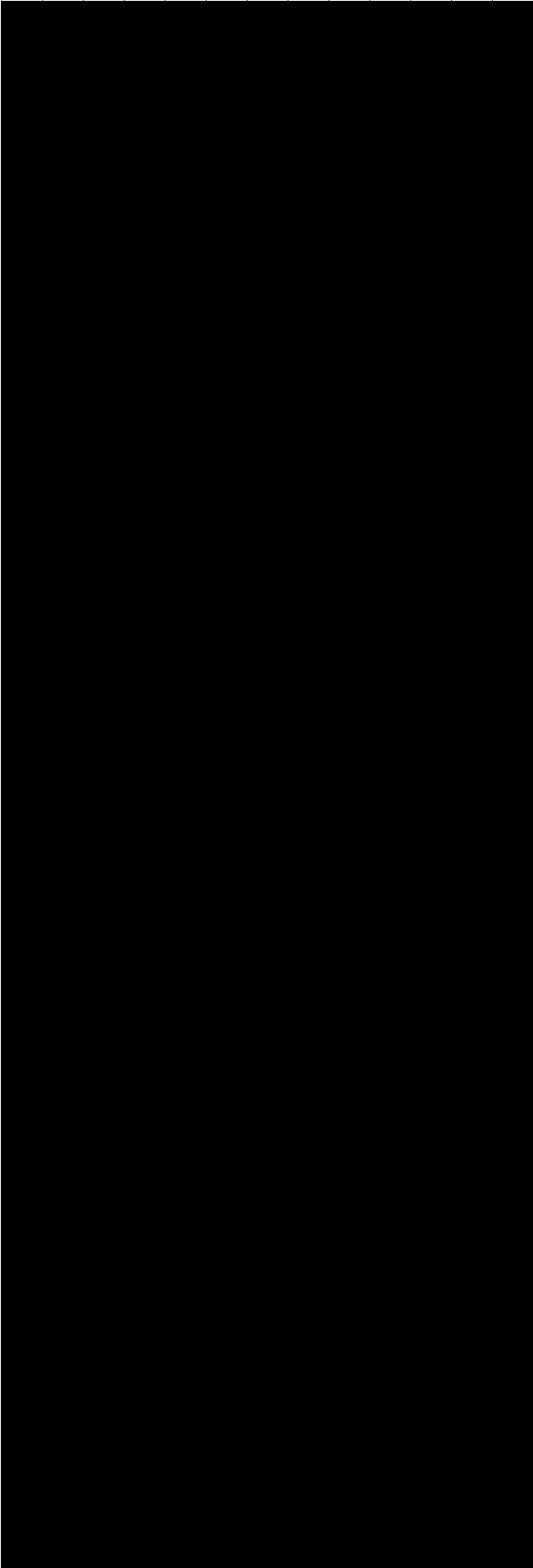
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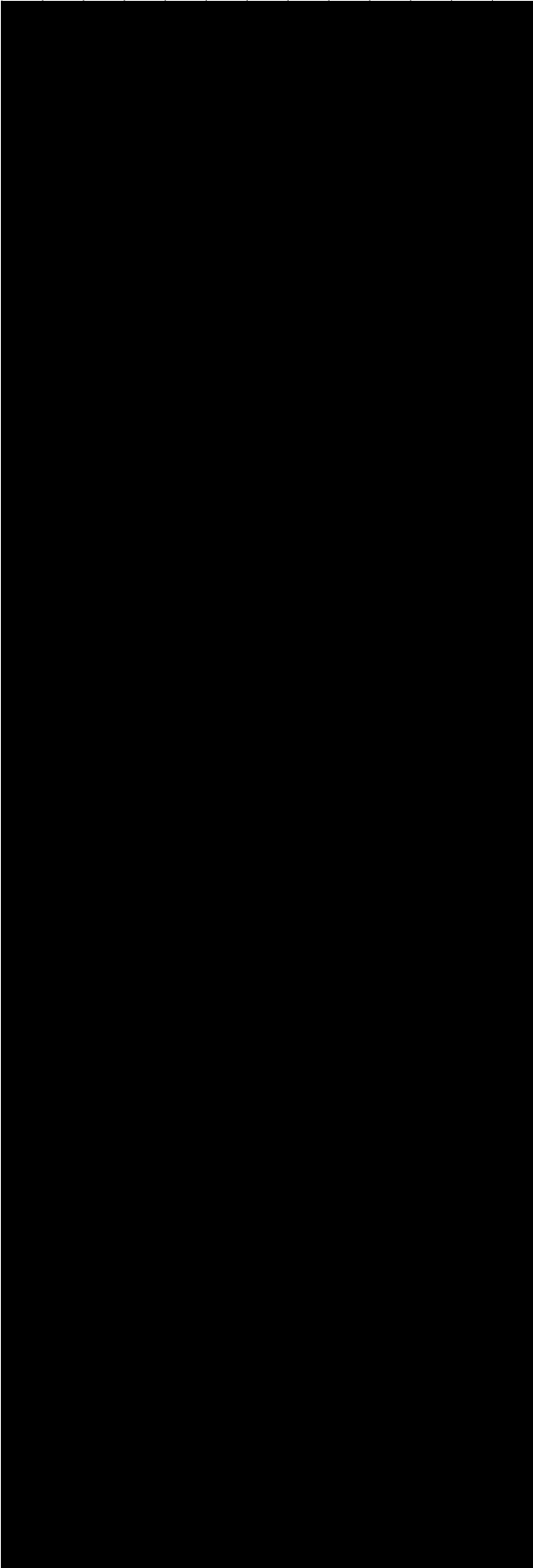
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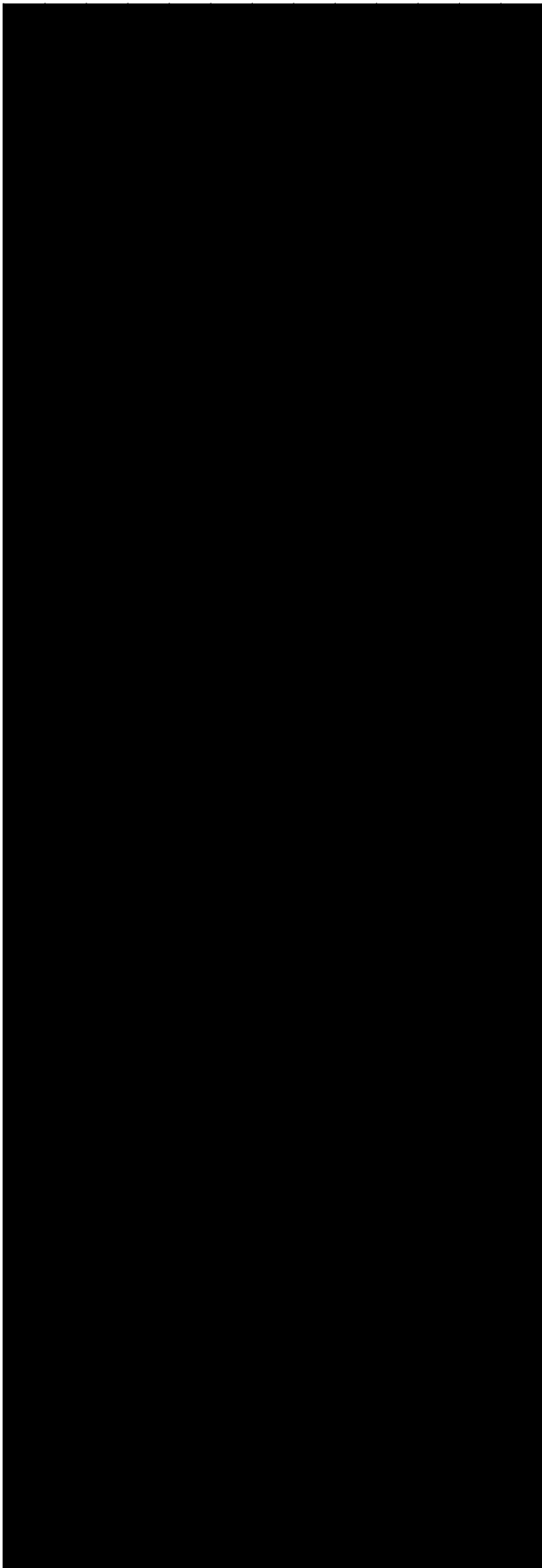
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Our Vision for Thurrock:

“Thurrock: A place of opportunity, enterprise and excellence, where individuals, communities and businesses flourish”.

Achieving Our Vision:

To achieve our vision, we have identified five strategic priorities:

1. Create a great place for learning and opportunity

- Ensure that every place of learning is rated “Good” or better
- Raise levels of aspirations and attainment so that local residents can take advantage of job opportunities in the local area
- Support families to give children the best possible start in life

2. Encourage and promote job creation and economic prosperity

- Provide the infrastructure to promote and sustain growth and prosperity
- Support local businesses and develop the skilled workforce they will require
- Work with communities to regenerate Thurrock’s physical environment

3. Build pride, responsibility and respect to create safer communities

- Create safer welcoming communities who value diversity and respect cultural heritage
- Involve communities in shaping where they live and their quality of life
- Reduce crime, anti-social behaviour and safeguard the vulnerable

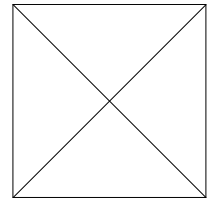
4. Improve health and well-being

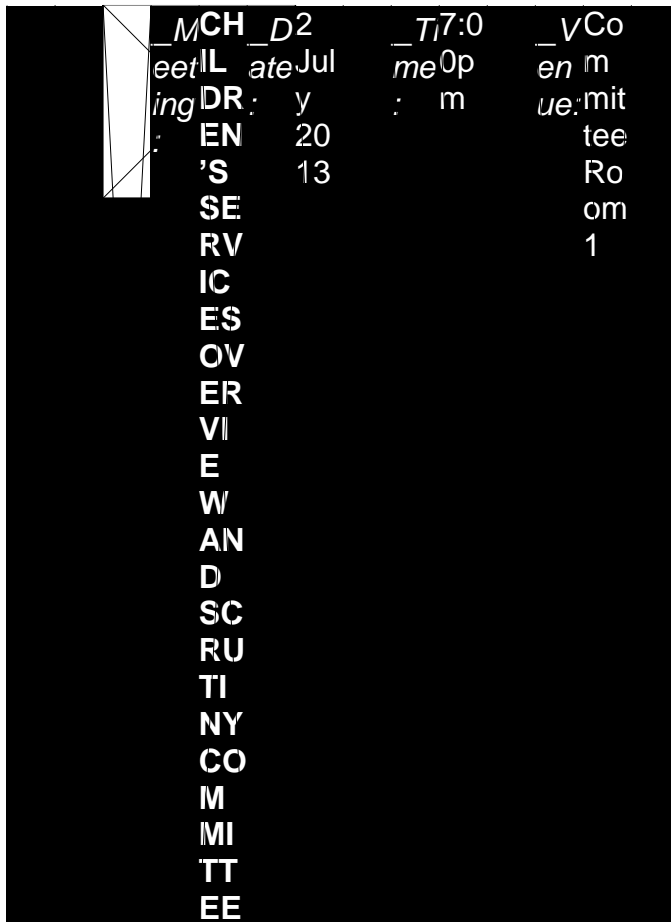
- Ensure people stay healthy longer, adding years to life and life to years
- Reduce inequalities in health and well-being
- Empower communities to take responsibility for their own health and wellbeing

5. Protect and promote our clean and green environment

- Enhance access to Thurrock’s river frontage, cultural assets and leisure opportunities
- Promote Thurrock’s natural environment and biodiversity

- Ensure Thurrock's streets and parks and open spaces are clean and well maintained





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1. Apologies for absence
2. To approve as a correct record the minutes of the Children's Services Overview and Scrutiny Committee Meeting held on 20 March 2013 (Page 3-10).
3. To receive additional items that the Chair is of the opinion should be considered as a matter of urgency, in accordance with Section 100B (4) (b) of the Local Government Act 1972
4. Declaration of interests
 - a) Members are reminded that they should declare any interests as appropriate and in accordance with the adopted Code of Conduct.
 - b) Members are also reminded to declare the existence and nature of a Political Party Whip, as set out in Chapter 4, Part 3, Paragraph 12 of the Constitution.
5. Report on Thurrock Education Commission and School Improvement Strategy

The report of the Director of Children's Services is attached at page 11-24.

6. Thurrock Youth Cabinet Representation

The report of Director of Children's Services is attached at page 25-32.

7. Post 16 Education Transport

The report of the Director of Adults, Health and Commissioning is attached at page 33 to 42.

8. School Capital Programme

The report of the Director of Children's Services is attached at page 43-56.

9. Work Programme

The draft work programme for 2013/14 is attached at page 57-61

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