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8th May 2008

Dear Member

Dudley Schools Forum

You are requested to attend a meeting of the Dudley Schools Forum, which will be held at Saltwells EDC, Bowling Green Road, Netherton, Dudley on Tuesday 20th May 2008, at 6.00 p.m. The Agenda is attached.

A light buffet will be available in the meeting room from 5.30 p.m. onwards.

Yours sincerely,

Democratic Services Officer

Email: richard.jewkes@dudley.gov.uk

To: - All Members of the Dudley Schools Forum:

Mr Bell, Mrs Blunt, Mr Conway, Ms Cosgrove, Mrs Elwiss, Mr Francis, Ms Griffiths, Mr Harrington, Mr Hatton, Mrs Hazlehurst, Mr Hudson, Mr Ingram, Mr James, Mrs Jessup, Mr Leyshon, Ms Little, Mr Lloyd, Mr Millman, Mr Mountney, Mr Patterson, Councillor Nottingham, Mr Ridney, Mr Robertson, Ms Smith, Mr Sorrell, Mr Temple, Mr Timmins. Councillor Mrs Walker, Mr Warner, Mr Wassall.

Director of Children's Services, Assistant Director of Children's C.C. Services (Mr Watson), Mr Thompson (Directorate of Children's Services), Children's Services Finance Manager (Mrs Cocker) and Principal Accountant (Mrs Coates) - Directorate of Finance, ICT & Procurement.



AGENDA

1. ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN

To elect a Chairman of the Forum for the 2008/09 financial year.

APPOINTMENT OF VICE-CHAIRMAN

To appoint a Vice-Chairman of the Forum for the 2008/09 financial year.

3. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

To receive apologies for absence from the meeting.

4. MINUTES

To approve as a correct record and sign the minutes of the meeting of the Forum held on 18th March, 2008 (copy attached).

5. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES.

To consider any matters arising from the Minutes of the meeting of the Forum held on 18th March, 2008.

6. REVISION OF SCHOOLS STANDING ORDERS (PAGES 1-4)

To consider the report of the Director of Children's Services.

7. UPDATES AND AMENDMENTS TO DUDLEY SCHOOLS FORUM CONSTITUTION

To receive a verbal update on behalf of the Director of Children's Services.

8. SCHOOLS BUDGET - 2007/08 FINANCIAL YEAR OUTTURN (PAGES 5 – 25)

To Note - KC

To consider the report of the Director of Children's Services.

9. CLOSURE OF CRADLEY HIGH SCHOOL – UPDATE (PAGES 26 – 28)

To Note - KC

To consider the report of the Director of Children's Services.

10. ALLOCATION OF THE SCHOOLS BUDGET - 2008/09 FINANCIAL YEAR (PAGES 29 – 37)

To Note - KC

To consider the report of the Director of Children's Services.

11. SINGLE STATUS/EQUAL PAY – UPDATE

To receive a verbal update from the Director of Children's Services.

12. DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS

To note the following remaining meeting in the 2007/08 academic year:-

Tuesday 8th July 2008