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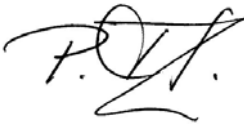
Dear Member

CHILDREN'S SERVICES SCRUTINY COMMITTEE
THURSDAY 21ST MARCH, 2013 AT 6.00PM

You are requested to attend a meeting of the Children's Services Scrutiny Committee to be held on Thursday 21st March, 2013 at 6.00 pm in Committee Room 2 at the Council House, Dudley, to consider the business set out in the Agenda below.

The agenda and public reports are available on the Council's Website www.dudley.gov.uk and follow the links to Councillors in Dudley and Committee Management Information System.

Yours sincerely



Director of Corporate Resources

A G E N D A

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

To receive apologies for absence from the meeting.

2. SUBSITUTE MEMBERS

To report the appointment of any substitute members serving for this meeting of the Committee.

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

To receive declarations of interest in accordance with the Members' Code of Conduct.

4. MINUTES

To approve as a correct record and sign the Minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 14th November, 2012 (copy attached).

5. SCRUTINY – A NEW APPROACH FOR THE CHILDREN'S SERVICES COMMITTEE (PAGES 1 – 3).

To consider a report of the Lead Officer to the Committee.

6. STANDARDS REPORT – PERFORMANCE DATA (TO FOLLOW)

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

7. DUDLEY SCHOOLS OFSTED OUTCOMES (TO FOLLOW)

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

8. PRESENTATION ON THE FUTURE (TO FOLLOW)

To consider a presentation by the Director of Children's Services.

9. ROLE OF THE LOCAL AUTHORITY (TO FOLLOW)

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

10. EVIDENCE – WITNESSES AND DEBATE.

Mr Ian Austin MP and Head teachers from Secondary and Primary Schools.

11. RESPONSE BY COUNCILLOR CRUMPTON CABINET MEMBER FOR CHILDREN'S SERVICES.

12. TO ANSWER QUESTIONS UNDER COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE 11.8 (IF ANY) AND QUESTIONS ON THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION ITEMS AVAILABLE ON THE COMMITTEE MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SYSTEM (CMIS).

Information Items

Corporate Quarterly Performance Report

Members are asked to email kim.fellows@dudley.gov.uk (at least three working days before the meeting) with details of any questions they wish to raise on the information items.

This will enable responses to questions to be circulated prior to the meeting.

Questions on information items raised at the meeting will receive a written response following the meeting.

To: All Members of the Children's Services Scrutiny Committee:

Councillor S Turner (Chair)

Councillor Boleyn (Vice-Chair)

Councillors Arshad, Attwood, Mrs Billingham, Bills, Casey, J Jones, Marrey, Mrs Simms and Mrs Walker.

Mrs Ward, Reverend Wickens; Mr Songole, Mr Tinsley; Mrs Verdegem; Mr Taylor; Mrs Coulter, Mr Ridley, Mr Lynch, Mr Bruton.

cc: Councillor Crumpton (Cabinet Member for Children's Services)