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7<sup>th</sup> September, 2011

Dear Member

### **CHILDREN'S SERVICES SCRUTINY COMMITTEE**

You are requested to attend a meeting of the Children's Services Scrutiny Committee to be held on Thursday, 15<sup>th</sup> September, 2011 at 6 p.m. in Committee Room 2 at the Council House, Dudley, to consider the business set out in the agenda below.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "P. Z.", written over a horizontal line.

Director of Corporate Resources

### **A G E N D A**

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

To receive apologies for absence from the meeting.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

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

3. MINUTES

To approve as a correct record and sign the minutes of the meeting of the Select Committee on Children's Services held on 23<sup>rd</sup> June, 2011 (copy herewith)

4. SUBSTITUTE MEMBERS

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

5. QUARTERLY CORPORATE PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT REPORT  
(PAGES 1 - 2)

To consider the report of the Chief Executive

6. CHILD POVERTY (PAGES 3 - 6)

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

7. GYPSY ROMA TRAVELLERS SERVICE (PAGES 7 - 13)

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

8. FORMER PENSNETT SCHOOL OF TECHNOLOGY

The Assistant Director of Children's Services (Education, Play and Learning) to report orally.

9. CHILDREN'S CENTRES IN DUDLEY METROPOLITAN BOROUGH  
COUNCIL (PAGES 14 - 20)

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

10. "TIME FOR TWOS" – TWO YEAR OLD PROJECT (PAGES 21 - 26)

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

11. RESPONSES TO QUESTIONS (PAGES 27 - 28)

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

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

Members are asked to e-mail Richard Sanders, at the address shown on the agenda cover, at least three working days before the meeting details of any questions they would 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 Select Committee on Children's Services: Councillors Miss Arshad, Attwood, Mrs Billingham, Crumpton, Mrs Dunn, Mrs Greenaway, Hanif, J Jones, Miller, S Turner, P Woodall; Mrs Ward, Reverend Wickens; Mr Songole, Mr Tinsley; Mr Bruton, Mrs Verdegem; Mr Taylor; Mr Duffield, Mrs Lees  
c.c Cllrs Vickers, Mrs Walker