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11th June, 2008

Dear Councillor

SELECT COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN'S SERVICES - 19th JUNE, 2008

You are requested to attend a meeting of the Select Committee on Children's Services to be held on Thursday, 19th June, 2008 at 6 p.m. in Committee Room 2 at the Council House, Dudley, to consider the business set out in the agenda below.

A Committee tea will be available in the Members' Dining Room from 4.30 pm. Please contact Richard Sanders on (01384) 815236 or e mail <u>richard.sanders@dudley.gov.uk</u> by no later than 17th June if a vegetarian or special dietary meal is required or if a meal is not required.

Yours sincerely

Director of Law and Property

John Pohouni

AGENDA

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.

MINUTES

To approve as a correct record and sign the minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 26th March, 2008 (copy herewith)

4. SUBSTITUTE MEMBERS

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

TERMS OF REFERENCE AND RULES OF PROCEDURE OF THE COMMITTEE AND ASSOCIATED MATTERS, INCLUDING THE WORK PROGRAMME AND WORKING GROUPS OF THE COMMITTEE FOR 2008/09 (PAGES 1 - 25)

To consider the report of the Lead Officer to the Committee

6 DRAFT ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE REVIEW OF THE 2007/08 YEAR (PAGES 26 - 31)

To consider the report of the Lead Officer to the Committee

7 DIRECTORATE OF CHILDREN'S SERVICES EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY ACTION PLAN 2008/09 AND ANNUAL REPORT OF EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY ACTION PLAN 2007/08 (PAGES 32 - 76)

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

8 EARLY YEARS FOUNDATION STAGE (PAGES 77 - 83)

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

9 14-19 UPDATE (PAGES 84 - 87)

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

10 NATIONAL YEAR OF READING (PAGES 88 - 91)

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

11 PRIMARY CAPITAL PROGRAMME (PAGES 92 - 93)

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

12 QUARTERLY CORPORATE PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT REPORT (QCPM) (PAGES94 - 96)

To consider the report of the Lead Officer to the Committee. The substantive QCPM document is attached separately.

13 TO ANSWER QUESTIONS ASKED UNDER COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE 11.8 (IF ANY)

To: All members of the Select Committee on Children's Services: Councillors Ms Boleyn, Crumpton, Mrs Dunn, Hanif, Hill, Nottingham, Ms Partridge, Mrs Rogers, Stanley, Wright; Mrs Cunneen, Mr Jones, Mrs Roe, Mrs Simms, Mr Smith, Mr Taylor, Mrs Verdegem, Reverend Wickens

Councillor Southall (substitute for Councillor Hill for this meeting)

c.c Cllr Mrs Walker, Cllr Simms