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7th September, 2007

Dear Councillor

<u>SELECT COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN'S SERVICES - 17th SEPTEMBER, 2007</u>

You are requested to attend a meeting of the Select Committee on Children's Services to be held on Monday, 17th September, 2007 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 for Members in the Members' Dining Room from 4.30 pm. Please contact Richard Sanders on (01384) 815236 or e mail richard.sanders@dudley.gov.uk by 13th September 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 21st June, 2007 (copy herewith)

4. SUBSTITUTE MEMBERS

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

5 CHILDREN'S TRUST AND CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE'S PLAN (PAGES 1 - 8)

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

6 TRANSFORMING SECONDARY EDUCATION (PAGES 9 - 23)

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

7 INSPECTION:

- (a) INSPECTION FINDINGS OF THE COMMISSION FOR SOCIAL CARE INSPECTION IN RESPECT OF DUDLEY'S FOSTERING SERVICE (PAGES 24 26)
- (b) INSPECTION FINDINGS OF OFSTED IN RESPECT OF DUDLEY LOCAL AUTHORITY ADOPTION SERVICE (PAGES 27 30)
- (c) SCHOOL INSPECTIONS, WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT AND EXTENDED SCHOOLS

To consider the reports of the Director of Children's Services on agenda items 7(a) and (b) above. An oral report will be made in respect of item 7 (c)

8 QUARTERLY CORPORATE PERFORMANCE MONITORING REPORT (PAGES 31 - 71)

To consider the report of the Lead Officer to the Committee

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

To: Councillors Blood, Ms Boleyn, Mrs Coulter, Mrs Dunn, Hanif, Hill, Nottingham, Ms Partridge, Ms Roberts, Mrs Rogers; Mr Hatton, Reverend Wickens; Mr Jones, Mr Smith, Mrs Roe, Mrs Verdegam; Mr Billingham, Mrs Simms; Mr Taylor