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15th June, 2011

Dear Councillor

CHILDREN'S SERVICES SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

You are requested to attend a meeting of the Children's Services Scrutiny Committee to be held on Thursday, 23rd June, 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

Director of Corporate Resources

AGENDA

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

To receive apologies for absence from the meeting.

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 23rd March, 2011 (copy herewith)

4. SUBSTITUTE MEMBERS

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

5. TERMS OF REFERENCE AND RULES OF PROCEDURE OF THE COMMITTEE AND ASSOCIATED MATTERS INCLUDING THE WORK PROGRAMME OF THE COMMITTEE FOR 2011/12 (PAGES 1 - 5)

To consider the report of the Lead Officer to the Committee

6. DRAFT ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE REVIEW OF THE 2010/11 YEAR (PAGES 5 - 13)

To consider the report of the Lead Officer to the Committee

7. CONTACT, REFERRAL AND ASSESSMENT ARRANGEMENTS FOR CHILDREN IN NEED (PAGES 14 - 30)

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

TO ANSWER QUESTIONS UNDER COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE 11.8 (IF ANY) AND QUESTIONS ON INFORMATION ITEMS PREVIOUSLY CIRCULATED SEPARATELY.

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 Tinsley; Mr Bruton, Mrs Verdegem; Mr Taylor; Mr Duffield, Mrs Lees c.c Cllrs Vickers, Mrs Walker