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11th February, 2010

Dear Member

Dudley Schools Forum

You are requested to attend a meeting of the Dudley Schools Forum, which will be held at Saltwells EDC, Bowling Green Road, Netherton, Dudley on Tuesday, 23rd February, 2010 at 6.00 p.m. The Agenda is attached.

A light buffet will be available in the Durham Room (adjacent to the main hall) from 5.30 p.m. onwards.

Yours sincerely,



Richard Sanders

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To: - All Members of the Dudley Schools Forum:

Mr Bravo, Mr Dallaway, Mrs Edwards, Mrs Elwiss, Ms Garratt, Mrs Griffiths, Mr Hatton, Mrs Hazlehurst, Mr Hinton, Mr Hudson, Ms Hughes, Mr James, Mr J Jones, Mr P Jones, Ms Mickle, Mr Millman, Mr Millward, Chief Superintendent Monroe, Mr Ridney, Ms Smith, Mr Sorrell, Mr Timmins, Mr Warner, Mr Warren, Mr Wassall, Mrs Withers and vacancies for a Secondary school governor for the Central Dudley area and a Primary school governor for the Stourbridge area.

c.c. Councillors Mrs Walker and Vickers, Cabinet Member for Integrated Children's Services and Chairman of the Select Committee on Children's Services, respectively, and the Director of Children's Services (persons not Members of the Forum but with an entitlement to attend and speak); Assistant Director of Children's Services (Ms Porter), Children's Services Finance Manager (Mrs Cocker) and Principal Accountant (Mrs Coates) – Directorate of Finance, ICT & Procurement. – all Dudley MBC





AGENDA

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

To receive apologies for absence from the meeting.

2. MINUTES

To approve as a correct record and sign the minutes of the meeting of the Forum held on 8th December, 2009 (to follow).

3. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

To consider any matters arising from the Minutes of the meeting of the Forum held on 8th December, 2009 for which specific items are not included on the agenda for this meeting.

4. 14-19 DIPLOMA FUNDING (PAGES 1 - 7)

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

5. DEDICATED SCHOOLS GRANT FINANCIAL MONITORING (PAGES 8 - 11)

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

6. PROPOSED INTRODUCTION OF A SINGLE FUNDING FORMULA FOR EARLY YEARS PROVISION (PAGES 12 - 26)

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

7. PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE RESOURCE ALLOCATION FORMULA FOR SCHOOLS 2010/11 (PAGES 27 - 31)

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

8. DEDICATED SCHOOLS GRANT INDICATIVE BUDGET PLANNING 2010/11 (PAGES 32 - 37)

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

9. BUILDING SCHOOLS FOR THE FUTURE

The Director of Children's Services to report orally.

10. SINGLE STATUS AND JOB EVALUATION UPDATE

The Director of Children's Services to report orally.

11. SCHOOL CLOSURE UPDATE

The Director of Children's Services to report orally.

12 DATE OF NEXT MEETING – TUESDAY, 16TH MARCH, 2010 AT SALTWELLS EDUCATION DEVELOPMENT CENTRE.