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3<sup>rd</sup> September, 2009

Dear Councillor

## SELECT COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN'S SERVICES

You are requested to attend a meeting of the Select Committee on Children's Services to be held on Monday, 14<sup>th</sup> September, 2009 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 16<sup>th</sup> June if a vegetarian or special dietary meal is required or if a meal is <u>not</u> required.

Yours sincerely

Interim Director of Law, Property and Human Resources

# <u>A G E N D A</u>

### 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 meetings of the Committee held on 18<sup>th</sup> June, 2009 (copy herewith)

4. SUBSTITUTE MEMBERS

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

5. DUDLEY CHILDREN'S TRUST INCLUDING THE CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE'S PLAN (PAGES 1 - 17)

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

6. PROGRESS AND ACHIEVEMENTS IN THE EARLY YEARS FOUNDATION STAGE (PAGES 18 - 23)

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

7. RAISING ATTAINMENT AT KEY STAGE 1 – PROGRESS REPORT (PAGES 24 - 27)

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

8. ANNUAL REPORT ON OUTCOMES FOR LOOKED AFTER CHILDREN (PAGES 28 - 39)

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

9. ANNUAL REPORT OF THE DUDLEY SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN BOARD (PAGES 40 - 51)

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

#### 10. QUARTERLY CORPORATE PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT REPORT

- (a) To consider the report of the Lead Officer to the Committee (Pages 52 53)
- (b) To consider the accompanying report of the Director of Children's Services on contextual issues on particular areas of service.
  (Pages 54 - 60)
- 11 WORKING GROUPS FOR 2009/10 (PAGES 61 62)

To consider the report of the Lead Officer to the Committee

12. 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, Mrs Coulter, Crumpton, Mrs Dunn, Mrs Greenaway, Hanif, Nottingham, Ms Partridge, Mrs Rogers, Vickers, Wright; Mr Jones; Mrs Ward, Reverend Wickens; Mrs Roe, Mrs Verdegem; Mr Taylor; Mrs Lees, Mrs Simms. c.c Cllr Mrs Walker, Cllr Evans