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15TH January, 2008

Dear Councillor

SELECT COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN'S SERVICES - 23rd JANUARY, 2008

You are requested to attend a meeting of the Select Committee on Children's Services to be held on Wednesday, 23rd January, 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 21st January if a vegetarian or special dietary meal is required or if a meal is <u>not</u> required.

Yours sincerely

John Porgelas

Director of Law and Property

<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 meeting of the Committee held on 15th November, 2007 (copy herewith)

4. SUBSTITUTE MEMBERS

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

5 ANNUAL PERFORMANCE ASSESSMENT (Pages 1 - 13)

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

6 OFSTED TELLUS 2 SURVEY RESULTS 2007 (Pages 14 - 17)

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

7 PRIMARY CAPITAL PROGRAMME (Pages 18 - 19)

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

8 REVENUE BUDGET STRATEGY 2008/09 (Pages 20 - 37)

To consider the joint report of the Director of Children's Services and Director of Finance

9 COMPLAINTS, COMMENTS AND COMPLIMENTS - CHILDREN'S SOCIAL CARE SERVICES ANNUAL REPORT (Pages 38 - 65)

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

10 RESPECT AGENDA (Pages 66 - 75)

To consider the joint report of the Director of Children's Services and Director of Adult, Community and Housing Services

- QUARTERLY CORPORATE PERFORMANCE MONITORING REPORT (Pages 76 - 77)
 To consider the report of the Lead Officer to the Committee
- 12 UPDATE ON TOPICAL MATTERS (Pages 78 79)

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

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

c.c Cllr Mrs Walker

N.B. Teenage Pregnancy was included in the Work Programme to be considered at this meeting but was referred instead to the meeting on 15/11/07