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9th June, 2010

**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 Thursday, 17<sup>th</sup> June, 2010 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 <a href="mailto:richard.sanders@dudley.gov.uk">richard.sanders@dudley.gov.uk</a> by no later than 15<sup>th</sup> June if a vegetarian or special dietary meal is required or if a meal is <a href="mailto:not required">not required</a>.

Yours sincerely

**Director of Corporate Resources** 

## 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 meetings of the Committee held on 24<sup>th</sup> March, 2010 (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 FOR THE 2010/11 MUNICIPAL YEAR (PAGES 1 - 4)

To consider the report of the Lead Officer to the Committee

6. DRAFT ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE REVIEW OF THE 2009/10 YEAR (PAGES 5 - 20)

To consider the report of the Lead Officer to the Committee

7. ANNUAL REPORT OF THE DUDLEY LOCAL AUTHORITY ADOPTION SERVICE (PAGES 21 - 36)

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

8. DUDLEY SAFEGUARDING BOARD ANNUAL REPORT (PAGES 37 - 89)

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

9. DUDLEY CHILDREN'S TRUST INCLUDING THE CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE'S PLAN (PAGES 90 - 95)

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

10 DUDLEY CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE'S DEVELOPMENT PLAN AND DIRECTORATE OF CHILDREN'S SERVICES STRATEGIC PLAN 2010/11 (PAGES 96 – 99)

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

#### 11. QUARTERLY CORPORATE PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT REPORT

- (a) To consider the report of the Lead Officer to the Committee (Pages 100 101)
- (b) To consider the accompanying report of the Interim Director of Children's Services on contextual issues on particular areas of service. (Pages 102 - 107)
- 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 Attwood, Crumpton, Mrs Dunn, Mrs Greenaway, Hanif, Ms Harris, J Jones, J Martin, Mrs Rogers, Vickers, P Woodall; Mrs Ward, Reverend Wickens; Mrs Roe, Mrs Verdegem; Mr Taylor; Mrs Lees, Mrs Simms.

c.c Cllr Mrs Walker, Cllr P Harley