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5th November, 2008

Dear Councillor

SELECT COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN'S SERVICES - 13th NOVEMBER, 2008

You are requested to attend a meeting of the Select Committee on Children's Services to be held on Thursday, 13th November, 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 11th November if a vegetarian or special dietary meal is required or if a meal is <u>not</u> required.

Yours sincerely

John Prycens

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 meetings of the Committee held on 9th and 15th September, 2008 (copies herewith)

4. SUBSTITUTE MEMBERS

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

5 INTERIM MANAGEMENT OF THE DIRECTORATE OF CHILDREN'S SERVICES (TO FOLLOW)

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

6 DUDLEY CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE'S TRUST INCLUDING THE CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE'S PLAN (PAGES 1 - 12)

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

7 UPDATE ON PROGRESS ON THE FOSTERING SERVICE ACTION PLAN IN RESPONSE TO AN OFSTED INSPECTION (PAGES 13 - 17)

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

8 YOUNG PEOPLE NOT IN EDUCATION, EMPLOYMENT OR TRAINING (PAGES 18 - 20)

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

9 UPDATE OF THE COUNCIL'S CAPITAL STRATEGY (PAGES 21 - 35)

To consider the report of the Director of Finance

10 YOUTH SERVICE CONSULTATION (PAGES 36 - 66)

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

11 YOUTH PROVISION WORKING GROUP – TERMS OF REFERENCE (PAGES 67 – 69)

To consider the report of the Lead Officer to the Committee

12 CONSULTATION ON THE ETHNIC MINORITY ACHIEVEMENT SERVICE – AMENDED OCTOBER, 2008 (PAGES 70 - 97)

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 Ms Boleyn, Crumpton, Mrs Dunn, Hanif, Hill, Islam, Nottingham, Ms Partridge, Mrs Rogers, Stanley, Wright; Mrs Cunneen, Mr Jones, Mrs Roe, Mrs Simms, Mr Smith, Mr Taylor, Mrs Verdegem, Reverend Wickens

c.c Cllr Mrs Walker, Cllr Simms