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20th May, 2009

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, 2nd June, 2009 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,

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To: - All Members of the Dudley Schools Forum:

Mr Dallaway, Mrs Edwards, Mrs Elwiss, Mr Francis, Ms Garratt, Mrs Griffiths, Mr Harrington, Mr Hatton, Mrs Hazlehurst, Mr Hinton, Mr Hudson, Ms Hughes, Mr James, Mr Jones, Ms Micke, Mr Millman, Mr Millward, Mr Monroe, Mr Nutting, Mr Ridney, Ms Smith, Mr Sorrell, Mr Timmins, Mr Warner, Mr Wassall, Mrs Withers, Mr Yates and a vacancy for a Secondary school governor for the Central Dudley 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); Interim Director of Children's Services, Children's Services Finance Manager (Mrs Cocker) and Principal Accountant (Mrs Coates) – Directorate of Finance, ICT & Procurement. – all Dudley MBC



AGENDA

1. ELECTION OF CHAIR

To elect a Chair of the Forum for the period expiring on 31st March, 2010.

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

To receive apologies for absence from the meeting.

3 ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIR

To elect a Vice-Chair of the Forum for the period expiring on 31st March, 2010.

4. MINUTES

To approve as a correct record and sign the minutes of the meeting of the Forum held on 17th March, 2009 (attached).

5. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

To consider any matters arising from the Minutes of the meeting of the Forum held on 17th March, 2009 for which specific items are not included on the agenda for this meeting.

6. DEDICATED SCHOOLS GRANT OUTTURN 2008/09 (PAGES 1 - 19)

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

7. JOB EVALUATION AND EQUAL PAY FOR DUDLEY SCHOOLS (PAGES 20 - 25)

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

8. CLOSURE OF CRADLEY HIGH SCHOOL – OUTTURN 2008/09 (PAGES 26 - 28)

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

9. UPDATE ON EARLY YEARS PROVIDER REFERENCE GROUP (PAGES 29 - 33)

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

10. FREE SCHOOL MEALS PILOT (PAGES 34 - 37)

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

11.. SCHOOLS FORUM MEMBERSHIP AND TRAINING PROGRAMME (PAGES 38 - 44)

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

12. DUDLEY SCHOOLS FORUM CONSTITUTION (PAGES 45 - 54)

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

13. SECTION 52 BUDGET STATEMENT FOR 2009/10 AND THE ALLOCATION OF SCHOOL BUDGETS (PAGES 55 -63)

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

14. SCHOOLS FORUM PROPOSED MEETINGS IN THE 2009/10 ACADEMIC YEAR (PAGES 64 - 66)

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