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25th September, 2008

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 7th October, 2008, at 6.00 p.m. The Agenda is attached.

A light buffet will be available in the meeting room from 5.30 p.m. onwards.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Richard Sanders".

Richard Sanders
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To: - All Members of the Dudley Schools Forum:

Mr M Bell, Mrs Blunt, Mrs Elwiss, Mr Francis, Mrs Griffiths, Mr Harrington, Mr Hatton, Mr Hinton, Mr Hudson, Mr Ingram, Mr Leyshon, Ms Little, Mr Lloyd, Mr Millman, Mr Mountney, Councillor Nottingham, Mr Ridley, Ms Smith, Mr Sorrell, Mr Temple, Mr Timmins, Councillor Mrs Walker, Mr Warner, Mr Wassall and representatives as follows to serve for three years with effect from 1st October, 2008: one Primary Head from each of the Halesowen and North Dudley townships; and one Primary and one Secondary Governor from each of the Halesowen and Stourbridge townships. One vacancy remains for a Primary Governor from the Central Dudley township for the remainder of the three year period of office expiring on 30th September, 2009.

c.c. Director of Children's Services, Mr Thompson (Directorate of Children's Services), Children's Services Finance Manager (Mrs Cocker) and Principal Accountant (Mrs Coates) – Directorate of Finance, ICT & Procurement.



AGENDA

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

To receive apologies for absence from the meeting.

2. MINUTES

To approve as a correct record and sign the minutes of the meeting of the Forum held on 8th July, 2008. (copy attached).

3. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

To consider any matters arising from the Minutes of the meeting of the Forum held on 8th July, 2008.

4. PROPOSED ALLOCATION OF 2008/09 SCHOOL DEVELOPMENT GRANT – HEADROOM (PAGES 1 – 5)

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

5. SCHOOLS RESOURCE PACK (PAGES 6 – 8)

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

6. PROPOSED CHANGES TO DUDLEY'S RESOURCE ALLOCATION FORMULA FOR SCHOOLS (PAGES 9 – 37)

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

7. WHITE PAPER "RAISING EXPECTATIONS: ENABLING THE SYSTEM TO DELIVER" (PAGES 38 – 44)

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

8. UPDATE ON EARLY YEARS PROVIDER REFERENCE GROUP (PAGES 45 – 50)

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

9. LEA BENCHMARKING TABLES 2008/09 (PAGES 51 – 69)

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