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4th July 2005

Dear Member

Dudley Schools Forum

You are requested to attend a meeting of the Dudley Schools Forum, which will be held in Committee Room 2 at the Council House, Priory Road, Dudley on Wednesday, 13th July, 2005 at 6.00 p.m. The Agenda is attached.

Please note that a light buffet will be available from 5.30 p.m. onwards.

Yours sincerely,

Assistant Principal Officer
(Democratic Services)
For Secretary of Forum

To:- All Members of the Dudley Schools Forum:

Councillor Adams, Mr Bell, Mrs Brennan, Ms Bunn, Mr Conway, Ms Fowler, Mr Francis, Mr Harrington, Mr Heavisides, Mr Hill, Mr Hunt, Mr Knowles, Mrs Lewis, Mr Leyshon, Mrs Lonergan, Mr Millman, Mr Patterson, Mrs Pearce, Mr Price, Councillor Mrs Ridley, Mr Rhind-Tutt, Mr Round, Mr Scott, Mrs Sherwood, Mr Slack, Mr Taylor, Mr Warner.

c.c. Assistant Director of Education and Lifelong Learning (Mr Watson), Mr Thompson (Directorate of Education and Lifelong Learning), Mrs Cocker (Directorate of Finance, ICT & Procurement).

A G E N D A

1. MINUTES

To approve as a correct record and sign the minutes of the meeting of the Forum held on 10th May, 2005 (copy herewith).

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

To receive apologies for absence from the meeting.

3. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

To consider any matters arising from the Minutes of the meeting of the Forum held on 10th May, 2005.

4. MEMBERSHIP OF SCHOOLS FORUM (PAGES 1 - 7)

To consider the report of the Director of Law and Property of Dudley MBC (as Secretary of Schools Forum).

5. FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT STANDARD – PROGRESS REPORT (PAGES 8 – 20)

To consider the report of the Director of Education & Lifelong Learning of Dudley MBC.

6. SCHOOL REORGANISATION – SUPPORT FOR DISPLACED STAFF (REPORT TO BE TABLED AT MEETING)

To consider the report of the Director of Education & Lifelong Learning of Dudley MBC.

7. SCHOOL RESERVE BALANCES AND STANDARDS FUND ROLLFORWARD AT 31ST MARCH 2005 (PAGES 21 - 45)

To consider the report of the Director of Education & Lifelong Learning of Dudley MBC.

8. USE OF CENTRALLY HELD SCHOOL SPECIFIC CONTINGENCY 2004/05
(PAGES 46 - 48)

To consider the report of the Director of Education & Lifelong Learning of Dudley MBC.

9. SPECIAL EDUCATIONAL NEEDS (SEN) – FUNDING MATRIX FOR
MAINSTREAM PUPILS (PAGES 49 - 72)

To consider the report of the Director of Education & Lifelong Learning of Dudley MBC.

10. SPECIAL SCHOOLS FORMULA FUNDING REVIEW (PAGES 73 - 76)

To consider the report of the Director of Education & Lifelong Learning of Dudley MBC.

11. CONSISTENT FINANCIAL REPORTING (CFR) – BENCHMARKING DATA

To consider the report of the Director of Education & Lifelong Learning of Dudley MBC (PAGES 77 – 79 PLUS APPENDICES ENCLOSED).

12. TRAINING

To receive a verbal update on training for Members of Schools Forum from the Director of Education & Lifelong Learning of Dudley MBC.

13. DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS OF THE FORUM

The Forum, at a previous meeting, approved the following schedule of meeting dates: -

Wednesday, 28th September, 2005

Wednesday, 8th February, 2006

Wednesday, 19th April, 2006 *

*Wednesday 10th May, 2006 is suggested as an alternative to this date.