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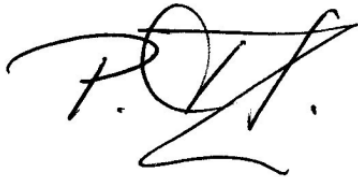
Dear Councillor

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, 12th November, 2009 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 richard.sanders@dudley.gov.uk by no later than 10th November if a vegetarian or special dietary meal is required or if a meal is not required.

Yours sincerely



Interim Director of Law, Property and Human Resources

A G E N D A

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 14th September, 2009 (copy herewith)

4. SUBSTITUTE MEMBERS

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

5. UPDATE OF THE CAPITAL STRATEGY (PAGES 1 - 16)

To consider the report of the Interim Director of Finance

6. COMMUNITY STRATEGY (PAGES 17 - 25)

To consider the report of the Chief Executive

7. RAISING ATTAINMENT AT KEY STAGE 4 – PROGRESS REPORT
(PAGES 26 - 31)

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

8. VISION 2025 – A STRATEGIC PLAN FOR LEARNING INCLUDING BUILDING
SCHOOLS FOR THE FUTURE - READINESS TO DELIVER SUPPORTING
STATEMENT (PAGES 32 - 41)

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

9. PERFORMANCE AND FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS FOR THE YOUTH
OFFENDING SERVICE (PAGES 42 - 48)

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

10. BEHAVIOUR AND ATTENDANCE (PAGES 49 - 53)

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

11. MACHINERY OF GOVERNMENT CHANGES (PAGES 54 - 62)

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

12. UNANNOUNCED INSPECTIONS OF CONTACT, REFERRAL AND ASSESSMENT ARRANGEMENTS FOR CHILDREN IN NEED AND CHILDREN WHO MAY BE IN NEED OF PROTECTION (TO FOLLOW)

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

13. EDUCATION PROVISION FOR PUPILS (3 YEARS TO 19 YEARS) WORKING GROUP – TERMS OF REFERENCE (PAGES 63 - 65)

To consider the report of the Interim Director of Law, Property and Human Resources

14. 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, Mrs Coulter, Crumpton, Mrs Dunn, Mrs Greenaway, Hanif, Nottingham, Ms Partridge, Mrs Rogers, Vickers, Wright; Mr Jones; Mrs Ward, Reverend Wickens; Mrs Roe, Mrs Verdegem; Mr Taylor; Mrs Lees, Mrs Simms.
c.c Cllr Mrs Walker, Cllr Evans