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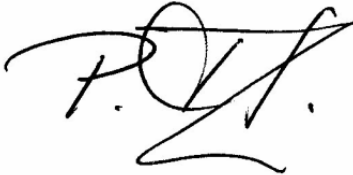
Dear Member

Children's Services Scrutiny Committee

You are requested to attend a meeting of the Children's Services Scrutiny Committee to be held on Wednesday, 16th November, 2011 at 6 p.m. in Committee Room 2 at the Council House, Dudley to consider the business set out in the Agenda below.

The agenda and reports for this meeting can be viewed on the Council's internet site www.dudley.gov.uk and follow the links to Meetings and Decisions.

Yours sincerely



Director of Corporate Resources

AGENDA

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 meeting of the Select Committee on Children's Services held on 15th September, 2011 (copy herewith)

4. SUBSTITUTE MEMBERS

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

5. CARE PROCEEDINGS (PAGES 1 - 9)

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

6. CORPORATE PARENTING (PAGES 10 – 41)

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

7. ANNUAL REPORT FOR COMPLAINTS, COMMENTS AND COMPLIMENTS FOR CHILDREN'S SOCIAL CARE SERVICES 1ST APRIL, 2010 TO 31ST MARCH, 2011 (PAGES 42 - 44)

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

8. REVENUE BUDGET STRATEGY 2012/13 (PAGES 45 -57)

To consider the joint report of the Chief Executive, Acting Director of Children's Services and the Treasurer

9. TO ANSWER QUESTIONS UNDER COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE 11.8 (IF ANY) AND QUESTIONS ON INFORMATION ITEMS AVAILABLE ON THE COMMITTEE MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SYSTEM (CMIS).

Members are asked to e-mail Richard Sanders, at the address shown on the agenda cover, at least three working days before the meeting details of any questions they would wish to raise ON THE INFORMATION ITEMS.

This will enable responses to questions to be circulated prior to the meeting.

Questions on information items raised at the meeting will receive a written response following the meeting.

To: All members of the Select Committee on Children's Services:
Councillors Miss Arshad, Attwood, Mrs Billingham, Crumpton, Mrs Dunn,
Mrs Greenaway, Hanif, J Jones, Miller, S Turner, P Woodall; Mrs Ward,
Reverend Wickens; Mr Songole, Mr Tinsley; Mr Bruton, Mrs Verdegem;
Mr Taylor; Mr Duffield, Mrs Lees
c.c Cllr Mrs Walker