

# SCRUTINY BOARD (CHILDREN'S SERVICES)

Meeting to be held in Civic Hall, Leeds on Thursday, 14th February, 2008 at 10.00 am

(A pre-meeting will take place for ALL Members of the Board at 9.30 a.m.)

# **MEMBERSHIP**

#### Councillors

C Campbell - Otley and Yeadon

J Elliott -Morley South

R D Feldman -Alwoodley

S Hamilton -Chapel Allerton

R Harington -Gipton and Harehills

W Hyde (Chair) -**Temple Newsam** 

> A Lamb -Wetherby

B Lancaster -Moortown

J Langdale - Temple Newsam

D Morton -Headingley

T Murray -Garforth and Swillington

K Renshaw -Ardsley and Robin Hood

#### **Co-opted Members (Voting)**

Mr E A Britten Church Representative (Catholic)

Church Representative (Church of England) Prof P H J H Gosden Mr R Greaves Parent Governor Representative (Secondary) Mr I Falkingham Parent Governor Representative (Special) Mrs S Knights Parent Governor Representative (Primary)

#### **Co-opted Members (Non-Voting)**

Mr T Hales **Teacher Representative** Ms C Foote **Teacher Representative** 

**Guy Close** 

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Early Years Development and Childcare Partnership Mrs S Hutchinson Ms J Morris-Boam

- Leeds VOICE Children and Young People Services Forum Representative

Leeds Youth Work Partnership Representative Ms T Kayani

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### **CONFIDENTIAL AND EXEMPT ITEMS**

The reason for confidentiality or exemption is stated on the agenda and on each of the reports in terms of Access to Information Procedure Rules 9.2 or 10.4(1) to (7). The number or numbers stated in the agenda and reports correspond to the reasons for exemption / confidentiality below:

#### 9.0 Confidential information – requirement to exclude public access

9.1 The public must be excluded from meetings whenever it is likely in view of the nature of the business to be transacted or the nature of the proceedings that confidential information would be disclosed. Likewise, public access to reports, background papers, and minutes will also be excluded.

#### 9.2 Confidential information means

- (a) information given to the Council by a Government Department on terms which forbid its public disclosure or
- (b) information the disclosure of which to the public is prohibited by or under another Act or by Court Order. Generally personal information which identifies an individual, must not be disclosed under the data protection and human rights rules.

## 10.0 Exempt information – discretion to exclude public access

- 10. 1 The public may be excluded from meetings whenever it is likely in view of the nature of the business to be transacted or the nature of the proceedings that exempt information would be disclosed provided:
  - (a) the meeting resolves so to exclude the public, and that resolution identifies the proceedings or part of the proceedings to which it applies, and
  - (b) that resolution states by reference to the descriptions in Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972 (paragraph 10.4 below) the description of the exempt information giving rise to the exclusion of the public.
  - (c) that resolution states, by reference to reasons given in a relevant report or otherwise, in all the circumstances of the case, the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.
- 10.2 In these circumstances, public access to reports, background papers and minutes will also be excluded.
- 10.3 Where the meeting will determine any person's civil rights or obligations, or adversely affect their possessions, Article 6 of the Human Rights Act 1998 establishes a presumption that the meeting will be held in public unless a private hearing is necessary for one of the reasons specified in Article 6.
- 10. 4 Exempt information means information falling within the following categories (subject to any condition):
  - 1 Information relating to any individual
  - 2 Information which is likely to reveal the identity of an individual.
  - Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information).
  - Information relating to any consultations or negotiations, or contemplated consultations or negotiations, in connection with any labour relations matter arising between the authority or a Minister of the Crown and employees of, or officer-holders under the authority.
  - Information in respect of which a claim to legal professional privilege could be maintained in legal proceedings.
  - 6 Information which reveals that the authority proposes
    - (a) to give under any enactment a notice under or by virtue of which requirements are imposed on a person; or
    - (b) to make an order or direction under any enactment
  - Information relating to any action taken or to be taken in connection with the prevention, investigation or prosecution of crime

# AGENDA

Item No	Ward/Equal Opportunities	Item Not Open		Page No
1			APPEALS AGAINST REFUSAL OF INSPECTION OF DOCUMENTS	
			To consider any appeals in accordance with Procedure Rule 25 of the Access to Information Rules (in the event of an Appeal the press and public will be excluded).	
2			EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC	
			To agree that the public be excluded from the meeting during the consideration of Annex 2 – Primary Schools in Extended Partnerships and Annex 3 – Secondary Schools in Extended Partnerships of Item 12, Update on Ofsted Inspections and Schools Causing Concern.	
3			LATE ITEMS	
			To identify items which have been admitted to the agenda by the Chair for consideration.	
			(The special circumstance shall be specified in the minutes).	
4			DECLARATION OF INTERESTS	
			To declare any personal/prejudicial interests for the purpose of Section 81(3) of the Local Government Act 2000 and paragraphs 8 to 12 of the Members' Code of Conduct.	
5			APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE	

6		MINUTES OF LAST MEETING - 17TH JANUARY, 2008	1 - 8
		To confirm as a correct record the attached minutes of the last meeting held on 17 <sup>th</sup> January, 2008.	
7		MINUTES OF OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE	9 - 12
		To receive the attached minutes of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee meeting held on 8 <sup>th</sup> January, 2008.	
8		QUARTER 3 PERFORMANCE REPORT 2007/08	13 - 24
		To consider a report from the Head of Policy, Performance and Improvement on the key areas of under performance at the end of Quarter 3 (1 <sup>st</sup> October to 31 <sup>st</sup> December 2007).	24
9		CHILDREN'S SERVICES AND THE CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE'S PLAN: UPDATE (3RD REPORT)	25 - 48
		To receive a report from the Director of Children's Services outlining the key developments in Children's Services and progress against specific priorities in the Children and Young People's Plan.	
10		RECOMMENDATION TRACKING	49 - 64
		To consider a report from the Head of Scrutiny and Member Development on establishing a formal system of recommendation tracking.	
11		FOUNTAIN PRIMARY SCHOOL INQUIRY REPORT - FORMAL RESPONSE	65 - 72
		To receive a report from the Head of Scrutiny and Member Development following the Inquiry into Fountain Primary School. A formal response is attached as appendix 1.	

12	10.4 (1, 2)	UPDATE ON OFSTED INSPECTIONS AND SCHOOLS CAUSING CONCERN	73 - 272
		To receive a report from the Head of Scrutiny and Member Development on the recent Ofsted inspection results.	
		Annex 2 – Primary Schools in Extended Partnerships and Annex 3 – Secondary Schools in Extended Partnerships, have been designated exempt under Access to Information Procedure Rule 10.4 (1) (2).	
13		WORK PROGRAMME  To consider a report from the Head of Scrutiny and Member Development, which details the Scrutiny Board's Work Programme for the remainder of the municipal year.	273 - 290
14		DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING	i
		Thursday 13th March, 2008 at 10.00 am in the Civic Hall, Leeds.	l
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