



## **WEST YORKSHIRE ADOPTION JOINT COMMITTEE**

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**Meeting to be held in Civic Hall, Leeds on  
Wednesday, 4th October, 2017 at 10.00 am**

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### **MEMBERSHIP**

Val Slater City of Bradford MDC

Megan Swift Calderdale MBC

Erin Hill Kirklees MBC

Lisa Mulherin(Chair) Leeds City Council

Olivia Rowley City of Wakefield MDC



# A G E N D A

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1			<p><b>APPEALS AGAINST REFUSAL OF INSPECTION OF DOCUMENTS</b></p> <p>To consider any appeals in accordance with Procedure Rule 15.2 of the Access to Information Rules (in the event of an Appeal the press and public will be excluded)</p> <p>(In accordance with Procedure Rule 15.2, written notice of an appeal must be received by the Head of Governance Services at least 24 hours before the meeting)</p>	
2			<p><b>EXEMPT INFORMATION - POSSIBLE EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC</b></p> <p>1 To highlight reports or appendices which officers have identified as containing exempt information, and where officers consider that the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information, for the reasons outlined in the report.</p> <p>2 To consider whether or not to accept the officers recommendation in respect of the above information.</p> <p>3 If so, to formally pass the following resolution:-</p> <p><b>RESOLVED</b> – That the press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following parts of the agenda designated as containing exempt information on the grounds that it is likely, in view of the nature of the business to be transacted or the nature of the proceedings, that if members of the press and public were present there would be disclosure to them of exempt information, as follows:-</p>	

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**LATE ITEMS**

To identify items which have been admitted to the agenda by the Chair for consideration

(The special circumstances shall be specified in the minutes)

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**DECLARATIONS OF DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS**

To disclose or draw attention to any disclosable pecuniary interests for the purposes of Section 31 of the Localism Act 2011 and paragraphs 13-16 of the Members' Code of Conduct.

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**APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

To receive apologies for absence (If any)

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**MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING**

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To confirm as a correct record, the minutes of the meeting held on 28<sup>th</sup> June 2017.

(Copy attached)

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**MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

To consider any matters arising from the minutes.

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**HEAD OF SERVICE REPORT**

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To consider a report by the Director of Children's Services which sets out the structural and reporting arrangements for the Regional Adoption Agency.

(Report attached)

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**VOICE AND INFLUENCE OF CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE REPORT**

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To consider a report by the Director of Children's Services which sets out details of the Adopted Teens identity group (AT\_iD group) and the view of children and young people who are adopted.

The report also explains the initial plans for ensuring that children and young people have a voice and influence over decisions that affect their lives and the adoption services they access.

(Report attached)

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**PERFORMANCE REPORT**

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To consider a report by the Director of Children's Services which sets out the first quarterly performance report of the new regional agency.

(Report attached)

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**DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING**

Date and time of next meeting to be determined.

(All Meetings to be held in the Civic Hall, Leeds)

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