



WEST YORKSHIRE ADOPTION JOINT COMMITTEE

**Meeting to be held in Civic Hall, Leeds on
Tuesday, 15th February, 2022 at 10.00 am**

MEMBERSHIP

Carol Thirkill - City of Bradford MDC

Sarah Courtney - Calderdale MBC

Viv Kendrick - Kirklees MBC

Fiona Venner (Chair) - Leeds City Council

Margaret Isherwood - City of Wakefield MDC

Please Note: Members of the public are now able to attend the meeting in person, but please be mindful that Coronavirus infection levels remain high in Leeds. Therefore, even if you have had the vaccine, if you have Coronavirus symptoms: a high temperature; a new, continuous cough; or a loss or change to your sense of smell or taste, you should NOT attend the meeting, stay at home and take a PCR test. For those who are attending the meeting we would recommend taking an LFT prior to attending and recommend the continued wearing of face coverings.

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A G E N D A

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| 1 | | | <p>APPEALS AGAINST REFUSAL OF INSPECTION OF DOCUMENTS</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>EXEMPT INFORMATION - POSSIBLE EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC</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>RESOLVED – 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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DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

To disclose or draw attention to any interests in accordance with Leeds City Council's 'Councillor 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 23rd September 2021.

(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 provides an overview on the developments and activity in the service from 1st April 2021 to 30th September 2021.

(Report attached)

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DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

To note that the next meeting will take place on Tuesday, 2nd August 2022 at 10.00am in the Civic Hall, Leeds.

Third Party Recording

Recording of this meeting is allowed to enable those not present to see or hear the proceedings either as they take place (or later) and to enable the reporting of those proceedings. A copy of the recording protocol is available from the contacts named on the front of this agenda.

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- a) Any published recording should be accompanied by a statement of when and where the recording was made, the context of the discussion that took place, and a clear identification of the main speakers and their role or title.
- b) Those making recordings must not edit the recording in a way that could lead to misinterpretation or misrepresentation of the proceedings or comments made by attendees. In particular there should be no internal editing of published extracts; recordings may start at any point and end at any point but the material between those points must be complete.

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