



WEST YORKSHIRE ADOPTION JOINT COMMITTEE

Meeting to be held in Civic Hall, Leeds, LS1 1UR on
Thursday, 24th August, 2023 at 2.00 pm

MEMBERSHIP

Carol Thirkill – City of Bradford MDC

Adam Wilkinson – Calderdale MBC

Viv Kendrick – Kirklees MBC

Fiona Venner – (Chair) Leeds City Council

Margaret Isherwood – City of Wakefield MDC

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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

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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 7th February 2023.

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ELECTION OF VICE CHAIR

In line with Rule 4B of the Committee's Constitution, to invite the Committee to appoint a Vice Chair for the coming municipal year.

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HEAD OF SERVICE REPORT

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To consider the report of the Director of Children and Families regarding the developments and activity of One Adoption Agency West Yorkshire (OAWY) as presented in the OAWY Annual Report (Appendix A) which covers the period from 1st April 2022 to 31st March 2023.

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DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

To confirm the date and time for the next meeting.

Third Party Recording

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