

SCRUTINY BOARD (CHILDREN'S SERVICES)

Meeting to be held in Civic Hall, Leeds on
Thursday, 13th July, 2006 at 9.30 am*

(*A pre-meeting will take place for ALL members of the Board at 9.00 am)

MEMBERSHIP

Councillors

- J Bale (Chair) - Guiseley and Rawdon
- J Chapman - Weetwood
- B Cleasby - Horsforth
- R D Feldman - Alwoodley
- A Harrison - Garforth and Swillington
- V Kendall - Roundhay
- L Mulherin - Ardsley and Robin Hood
- T Murray - Garforth and Swillington
- K Renshaw - Ardsley and Robin Hood
- B Selby - Killingbeck and Seacroft

Co-opted Members (Voting)

- Mr E A Britten - Church Representative (Catholic)
- Prof P H J H Gosden - Church Representative (Church of England)
- Mr R Greaves - Parent Governor Representative (Secondary)
- Mr C Macpherson - 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
- Mrs S Hutchinson - Early Years Development and Childcare Partnership Representative
- Mr P Gathercole - NCH Representative
- Ms T Kayani - Youth Work Partnership Representative

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2			<p>EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC</p> <p>To identify items where resolutions may be moved to exclude the public</p>	
3			<p>LATE ITEMS</p> <p>To identify items which have been admitted to the agenda by the Chair for consideration</p> <p>(The special circumstances shall be specified in the minutes)</p>	
4			<p>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST</p> <p>To declare any personal/prejudicial interests for the purpose of Section 81 (3) of the Local Government Act 2000 and paragraphs 8 to 13 of the Members' Code of Conduct</p>	
5			<p>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE</p> <p>To receive any apologies for absence from the meeting</p>	
6			<p>MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING</p> <p>To receive and approve the minutes of the previous meeting held on 9th June 2006 as a correct record</p>	1 - 6

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8			<p>DISCUSSION WITH EXECUTIVE MEMBERS</p> <p>To receive a report from the Head of Scrutiny and Member Development which gives Members the opportunity to discuss the Board's priorities for the coming year with the Lead Executive Member and Support Executive Member for Children's Services</p>	11 - 12
9			<p>MEMBERS' QUESTIONS</p> <p>To consider the report of the Head of Scrutiny and Member Development which gives Board Members the opportunity to ask questions of the Director(s) who chair the Corporate Priority Board which matches the Scrutiny Board's portfolio, or the Director's nominee and also invites Members to consider how they wish to deal with Members' Questions in the future</p>	13 - 14
10			<p>FORMAL RESPONSE - CHILDREN ACT INQUIRY</p> <p>To consider a report from the Head of Scrutiny and Member Development which details the formal response to the Board's recommendations arising from its Inquiry into the Children Act</p>	15 - 26
11			<p>FORMAL RESPONSE - SPECIALIST INCLUSIVE LEARNING CENTRES INQUIRY</p> <p>To receive a report from the Chief Executive of Education Leeds which details the formal response to the Board's recommendations arising from its Inquiry into Specialist Inclusive Learning Centres</p>	27 - 36

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12			<p>FORMAL RESPONSE - SECONDARY ACHIEVEMENT INQUIRY</p> <p>To receive a report from the Chief Executive of Education Leeds which details the formal response to the Board's recommendations arising from its Inquiry into Secondary Achievement</p>	37 - 44
13			<p>FORMAL RESPONSE - INQUIRY INTO RECRUITMENT, RETENTION AND WORKLOAD OF CHILDREN'S SOCIAL WORKERS</p> <p>To consider a report from the Head of Scrutiny and Member Development which details the formal response to the Board's recommendations arising from its Inquiry into the Recruitment, Retention and Workload of Children's Social Workers</p>	45 - 50
14			<p>MONITORING SUPPORT TO CHILDREN IN NEED AND IN PUBLIC CARE</p> <p>To consider a report from the Chief Executive of Education Leeds and the Director of Social Services which details statistics which relate to an agreed framework for monitoring the provision for children who are in need or are in public care</p>	51 - 64
15			<p>ADOPTION IN LEEDS</p> <p>To receive a report from the Head of Scrutiny and Member Development which sets out and invites Members to approve a draft terms of reference for the Board's inquiry into Adoption in Leeds</p>	65 - 70
16			<p>WORK PROGRAMME</p> <p>To receive a report from the Head of Scrutiny and Member Development which details the Scrutiny Board's current Work Programme</p>	71 - 84

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17			<p>DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING</p> <p>Thursday, 7th September 2006 at 9.30 a.m. in the Civic Hall, Leeds</p> <p>(Please note that a pre-meeting is scheduled for all members of the Board at 9.00 a.m.)</p>	