

## SCRUTINY BOARD (CHILDREN'S SERVICES)

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Meeting to be held in Civic Hall, Leeds on  
Thursday, 8th January, 2009 at 9.45 am

*(A pre-meeting will take place for ALL Members of the Board at 9.15 a.m.)*

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### MEMBERSHIP

#### **Councillors**

B Cleasby	-	Horsforth
G Driver	-	Middleton Park
J Elliott	-	Morley South
R D Feldman	-	Alwoodley
W Hyde (Chair)	-	Temple Newsam
B Lancaster	-	Moortown
J McKenna	-	Armley
V Morgan	-	Killingbeck and Seacroft
K Renshaw	-	Ardsley and Robin Hood
E Taylor	-	Chapel Allerton
C Townsley	-	Horsforth

#### 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 I Falkingham	-	Parent Governor Representative (Special)
Mrs S Knights	-	Parent Governor Representative (Primary)

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

Ms C Johnson	-	Teacher Representative
Ms C Foote	-	Teacher Representative
Mrs S Hutchinson	-	Early Years Development and Childcare Partnership
Ms J Morris-Boam	-	Leeds VOICE Children and Young People Services Forum Representative
Ms T Kayani	-	Leeds Youth Work Partnership Representative

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# 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 25 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 25, written notice of an appeal must be received by the Chief Democratic Services Officer 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> <p><b>No exempt items or information have been identified on this agenda.</b></p>	

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3			<p><b>LATE ITEMS</b></p> <p>To identify items which have been admitted to the agenda by the Chair for consideration.</p> <p>(The special circumstance shall be specified in the minutes.)</p>	
4			<p><b>DECLARATION OF INTERESTS</b></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 12 of the Members' Code of Conduct.</p>	
5			<p><b>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE</b></p> <p>To receive any apologies for absence.</p>	
6			<p><b>MINUTES - 11TH DECEMBER 2008</b></p> <p>To confirm as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 11<sup>th</sup> December 2008.</p>	1 - 6
7			<p><b>REQUEST FOR SCRUTINY</b></p> <p>To receive and consider a report from the Head of Scrutiny and Member Development, which invites the Board to consider a possible topic for scrutiny.</p>	7 - 8
8			<p><b>SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN IN LEEDS: AN OVERVIEW OF OUR LEEDS SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN BOARD AND THE WIDER CURRENT CONTEXT</b></p> <p>To receive and consider a report from the Director of Children's Services on the Leeds Safeguarding Children Board and the wider current context.</p>	9 - 56

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9			<p><b>CHILDREN'S SERVICES AND THE CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE'S PLAN PRIORITIES UPDATE (LOOKED AFTER CHILDREN FOCUS)</b></p> <p>To receive a report from the Director of Children's Services, which updates the Board on the key developments across Children's Services and outlines progress against specific priorities contained within the Children and Young People's Plan.</p>	57 - 70
10			<p><b>LEEDS STRATEGIC PLAN PERFORMANCE REPORT FOR QUARTER 2 2008/09</b></p> <p>To receive and consider a report from the Head of Policy, Performance and Improvement, which outlines progress against improvement priorities relevant to the Board at Quarter 2 2008/09.</p>	71 - 108
11			<p><b>RECOMMENDATION TRACKING</b></p> <p>To receive and consider a report from the Head of Scrutiny and Member Development, which requests Members to confirm the status of recommendations from previous inquiries.</p>	109 - 136
12			<p><b>WORK PROGRAMME</b></p> <p>To receive a report from the Head of Scrutiny and Member Development, which outlines the Scrutiny Board's work programme for the remainder of the current municipal year.</p>	137 - 162
13			<p><b>DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING</b></p> <p>To note that the next meeting of the Board will be held on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> February, 2009 at 9.45 am with a pre-meeting for Board Members at 9.15 am.</p>	