

## SCRUTINY BOARD (CHILDREN'S SERVICES)

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Meeting to be held in Civic Hall, Leeds on  
Wednesday, 1st April, 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 B Wanyonyi - 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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## **CONFIDENTIAL AND EXEMPT ITEMS**

The reason for confidentiality or exemption is stated on the agenda and on each of the reports in terms of Access to Information Procedure Rules 9.2 or 10.4(1) to (7). The number or numbers stated in the agenda and reports correspond to the reasons for exemption / confidentiality below:

### **9.0 Confidential information – requirement to exclude public access**

9.1 The public must be excluded from meetings whenever it is likely in view of the nature of the business to be transacted or the nature of the proceedings that confidential information would be disclosed. Likewise, public access to reports, background papers, and minutes will also be excluded.

### **9.2 Confidential information means**

- (a) information given to the Council by a Government Department on terms which forbid its public disclosure or
- (b) information the disclosure of which to the public is prohibited by or under another Act or by Court Order. Generally personal information which identifies an individual, must not be disclosed under the data protection and human rights rules.

### **10.0 Exempt information – discretion to exclude public access**

10.1 The public may be excluded from meetings whenever it is likely in view of the nature of the business to be transacted or the nature of the proceedings that exempt information would be disclosed provided:

- (a) the meeting resolves so to exclude the public, and that resolution identifies the proceedings or part of the proceedings to which it applies, and
- (b) that resolution states by reference to the descriptions in Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972 (paragraph 10.4 below) the description of the exempt information giving rise to the exclusion of the public.
- (c) that resolution states, by reference to reasons given in a relevant report or otherwise, in all the circumstances of the case, the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.

10.2 In these circumstances, public access to reports, background papers and minutes will also be excluded.

10.3 Where the meeting will determine any person's civil rights or obligations, or adversely affect their possessions, Article 6 of the Human Rights Act 1998 establishes a presumption that the meeting will be held in public unless a private hearing is necessary for one of the reasons specified in Article 6.

10.4 Exempt information means information falling within the following categories (subject to any condition):

- 1 Information relating to any individual
- 2 Information which is likely to reveal the identity of an individual.
- 3 Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information).
- 4 Information relating to any consultations or negotiations, or contemplated consultations or negotiations, in connection with any labour relations matter arising between the authority or a Minister of the Crown and employees of, or officer-holders under the authority.
- 5 Information in respect of which a claim to legal professional privilege could be maintained in legal proceedings.
- 6 Information which reveals that the authority proposes –
  - (a) to give under any enactment a notice under or by virtue of which requirements are imposed on a person; or
  - (b) to make an order or direction under any enactment
- 7 Information relating to any action taken or to be taken in connection with the prevention, investigation or prosecution of crime

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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>	

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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>Annex 2 – Primary Schools in Extended Partnerships – Report of the Chief Executive of Education Leeds to Executive Board on 13<sup>th</sup> February 2009 (agenda item 13 refers); and</p> <p>Annex 2 – Secondary Schools in Extended Partnerships – Report of the Chief Executive of Education Leeds to Executive Board on 13<sup>th</sup> February 2009 (agenda item 14 refers).</p>	
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>	

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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 - 5TH MARCH 2009</b></p> <p>To confirm as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 5<sup>th</sup> March 2009.</p>	1 - 6
7			<p><b>YOUNG PEOPLE'S SCRUTINY FORUM – PROTECTING OUR ENVIRONMENT</b></p> <p>To receive and consider a report from the Head of Scrutiny and Member Development which requests the Board's approval of the Young People's Scrutiny Forum final report and recommendations in relation to 'protecting our environment'.</p>	7 - 28
8			<p><b>CHILDREN'S SERVICES AND THE CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE'S PLAN PRIORITIES UPDATE (APRIL 2009)</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>	29 - 52
9			<p><b>PERFORMANCE REPORT QUARTER 3 2008/09</b></p> <p>To receive a report from the Head of Policy, Performance and Improvement which presents the key areas of under performance at the end of Quarter 3 (1<sup>st</sup> October to 31<sup>st</sup> December 2008).</p>	53 - 68

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10			<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>	69 - 94
11			<p><b>SCRUTINY INQUIRIES - SAFEGUARDING</b></p> <p>To receive and consider a report from the Head of Scrutiny and Member Development which updates Members on recent work undertaken by the Board's working groups on resources and preventative duty.</p>	95 - 96
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>	97 - 128
13		10.4 (1, 2)	<p><b>UPDATE ON OFSTED INSPECTIONS AND SCHOOLS CAUSING CONCERN - PRIMARY</b></p> <p>To receive a report from the Head of Scrutiny and Member Development on the recent Ofsted inspection results.</p> <p>Annex 2 of the report is designated as exempt under Access to Information Procedure Rules 10.4 (1,2).</p>	129 - 246
14		10.4 (1, 2)	<p><b>UPDATE ON OFSTED INSPECTIONS AND SCHOOLS CAUSING CONCERN - SECONDARY</b></p> <p>To receive a report from the Head of Scrutiny and Member Development on the recent Ofsted inspection results.</p> <p>Annex 2 of the report is designated as exempt under Access to Information Procedure Rules 10.4 (1,2).</p>	247 - 316

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15			<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 7<sup>th</sup> May 2009 at 9.45 am with a pre meeting for Board Members at 9.15 am.</p>	