

AGENDA

Meeting: CHILDRENS' SERVICES SCRUTINY COMMITTEE
Place: County Hall, Trowbridge
Committee Room: Committee Room V
Date: 13 November 2008
Time: 10.30 am

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**Briefing Arrangements for the Chairman and Vice Chairman
13th November at 9.45am in the Scrutiny Office**

***A PRESENTATION ON THE SUBJECT OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE WILL BE DELIVERED TO
THE COMMITTEE IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THIS MEETING
(A WORKING LUNCH WILL BE PROVIDED)***

Elected Members

Mr E Clark	Mr W Moss
Mr P Coleman	Mr S Oldrieve
Mr A Davis	Mrs P Rugg
Mr T Deane	Mrs C Soden
Dr J English	Mrs M White
Mr P Fuller	Mr C Winchcombe
Mrs M Groom	

Non-Elected Voting Members

Ms R MacDonald:	Parent Governor Representative (Primary)
Mrs E Leonard:	Parent Governor Representative (Special Needs)
Ms J Miller:	Parent Governor Representative (Secondary)
Mr W Snow:	Church of England Diocesan Representative
Dr M Thompson:	Roman Catholic Church Diocesan Representative

Non-Elected Non Voting

Mrs J Finney :	Primary School Headteachers Representative
Mr G Macmahon:	Secondary School Headteachers Representative
Mr J Hawkins:	School Teacher Representative
Mr C King:	Children & Young People's Representative

PART I

Items to be considered while the meeting is open to the public

1. **Apologies**
2. **Chairman's Announcements**
3. **Minutes of the Previous Meeting** To confirm and sign the minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 11th September 2008 (enclosed).
4. **Members' Interests** To receive any declarations of personal or prejudicial interests or dispensations granted by the Standards Committee.
5. **Public Participation** The County Council welcomes contributions from members of the public and has agreed to set aside 15 minutes at the beginning of meetings for questions or statements. Members of the public wishing to ask a question or make a statement should give written notice (including details of any question or statement) to the officer named above **by 12.00 noon on Monday 10th November 2008.**
6. **Member Requests**
7. **Committee Representation on other Groups – Member Feedback**
The Chairman will invite feedback from members, nominated to represent the committee on other groups.

AGENDA ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

8. **Primary Behaviour Service - Strategy (enclosed)**

Members are invited to consider a report on the strategic direction of the Primary Behaviour Support Service, the progress on the implementation of the revised service model and the budgetary implications. This report was requested by the committee as a consequence of its Development Day activity in 2007, when members agreed to look at the issue of the primary behaviour support service and its effectiveness in preventing/managing exclusions for 7, 8 and 9 year olds.

9. **Anti-bullying in Schools – Update on Anti-bullying Strategies and their Impact (enclosed)**

Members are invited to consider, endorse and comment on the Anti Bullying Steering Group's report and its recommendation.

10. Pupil Performance in Public Tests & Examinations (enclosed)

Members are asked to consider a report on Wiltshire pupils' attainment, comparing this with national expectations across all phases.

11. Shared Processes, Common Assessment Framework (CAF) and Lead Professionals in Wiltshire (enclosed)

Members are invited to consider and note an information report on Shared Processes, the Common Assessment Framework and Lead Professionals in Wiltshire.

12. Briefing Note for Information – The Wellington College Academy – Building Design Update (enclosed)

Members asked for an information update on the build and design aspect of The Wellington College Academy project when they last met in September.

The committee is therefore requested to consider and note this briefing note, mindful that a fuller discussion report relating to this project will be submitted to the January 2009 meeting from the council's Academies Board.

13. Holding the Executive to Public Account

- (i) The following items are so far listed in the Council's latest rolling Forward Plan for November 2008 to February 2009 which relate to Children's Services:

Building Schools for the Future – To make a decision on support (26th November 2008 – Implementation Executive (IE))

Anti-Social Behaviour Strategy (10th December 2008 – IE)

Joint Area Review Inspection Report – To consider the outcome of the JAR Inspection (16th December 2008 - Cabinet)

Domestic Violence Strategy – To consider a report on the Domestic Violence Strategy (13th January 2009 – IE)

The Education & Inspections Act 2006 – Impact on Passenger Transport – To consider a report on the Education & Inspections Act 2006 and its impact on Passenger Transport (24th February 2009 - Cabinet)

The Wellington Academy – To consider an update report on The Wellington Academy project (24th February 2009 - Cabinet)

Admissions Arrangements for All Schools in Wiltshire (26th February 2009 – IE)

- (ii) The minutes of all meetings relating to the Cabinet and the IE are available on the Council's website.

(NB. These are required to be published normally within 2 working days of the meeting. This Committee, through its Chairman or 3 Members of the Committee, has the power to call in (i.e. delay implementation) of a decision in exceptional circumstances should it have concerns. The Constitution sets out the procedure to be followed should this happen.

This Committee may also wish to review a decision of the Executive retrospectively, for example, to satisfy itself that the decision has been properly implemented or has achieved the aims that were intended.

Any Member of the Committee or any 5 Members of the Council can also request an item on the agenda of the Committee – using the appropriate form.)

Should Members wish to raise specific issues it would be helpful to have advance notice so that further information can be sought.

14. Urgent Items

The Committee is asked to consider any other business which, in the opinion of the Chairman, would be considered to be a matter of urgency. Urgent items of a confidential nature may be considered in Part II of this agenda.

PART II

Items during whose consideration it is recommended that the public should be excluded because of the likelihood that exempt information would be disclosed

None