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Children's Services Scrutiny Committee

Date: **Monday, 8th December, 2008**

Time: **10.00 a.m.**

Place: **The Council Chamber, Brockington, 35
Hafod Road, Hereford**

Notes: Please note the **time, date** and **venue** of the meeting.

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HEREFORDSHIRE
COUNCIL

AGENDA

for the Meeting of the Children's Services Scrutiny Committee

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| To: | Councillor | SJ Robertson (Chairman) |
| | Councillor | WU Attfield (Vice-Chairman) |
| | Councillors | ME Cooper, BA Durkin, P Jones CBE, G Lucas, JE Pemberton, RV Stockton, AM Toon, WJ Walling and JD Woodward |
| | Church Members | J.D. Griffin (Roman Catholic Church) and Mr T Leach (Church of England) |
| | Parent Governor Members | Mr N Parker (Secondary School Parent Governor), Mr R Stevenson (Primary School Governors) and Mr A Wood (Special School Governors) |
| | Teacher Representatives | Vacancy |
| | Foster Care Representative | Vacancy |
| | Headteacher Representatives | Mrs D Strutt (Secondary School Headteachers) Mr C Mutton (Primary Schools) Mrs O R Evans (Special Schools) |
| | Community Representatives | Ms H Tank (The Alliance)Ms K Berry (Connexions) |

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1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

To receive apologies for absence.

2. NAMED SUBSTITUTES

To receive details of Members nominated to attend the meeting in place of a Member of the Committee.

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

To receive any declarations of interest by Members in respect of items on the Agenda.

GUIDANCE ON DECLARING PERSONAL AND PREJUDICIAL INTERESTS AT MEETINGS

The Council's Members' Code of Conduct requires Councillors to declare against an Agenda item(s) the nature of an interest and whether the interest is personal or prejudicial. Councillors have to decide first whether or not they have a personal interest in the matter under discussion. They will then have to decide whether that personal interest is also prejudicial.

A personal interest is an interest that affects the Councillor more than most

other people in the area. People in the area include those who live, work or have property in the area of the Council. Councillors will also have a personal interest if their partner, relative or a close friend, or an organisation that they or the member works for, is affected more than other people in the area. If they do have a personal interest, they must declare it but can stay and take part and vote in the meeting.

Whether an interest is prejudicial is a matter of judgement for each Councillor. What Councillors have to do is ask themselves whether a member of the public – if he or she knew all the facts – would think that the Councillor's interest was so important that their decision would be affected by it. If a Councillor has a prejudicial interest then they must declare what that interest is and leave the meeting room.

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| <p>4. MINUTES</p> <p>To approve and sign the Minutes of the meeting held on 18 November 2008.</p> <p>5. SUGGESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ON ISSUES FOR FUTURE SCRUTINY</p> <p>To consider suggestions from members of the public on issues the Committee could scrutinise in the future.</p> <p>6. SEN FUNDING IN MAINSTREAM SCHOOLS</p> <p>To consider information concerning the provision of additional funding to mainstream schools for the purpose of making appropriate SEN arrangements under the 2001 SEN Code of Practice for children and young people identified as having special educational needs as defined in the code.</p> <p>SEN Funding - Summary</p> <p>The attached 'Summary of Information' was issued at the meeting.</p> <p>7. PROGRESS REPORT: DOMESTIC ABUSE</p> <p>To inform Scrutiny Committee of progress made since 2006, in addressing the needs of children affected by domestic abuse.</p> <p>8. CAPITAL BUDGET REPORT 2008/09</p> <p>To report the capital budget for 2008/09 for Children and Young People's Directorate.</p> <p>9. REVENUE BUDGET MONITORING REPORT 2008/09</p> <p>To report on the monitoring of the revenue budget for 2008/09 for the Children and Young People's Directorate.</p> <p>10. COMMITTEE WORK PROGRAMME</p> <p>To consider the Committee work programme.</p> | <p>1 - 6</p> <p>7 - 44</p> <p>45 - 52</p> <p>53 - 56</p> <p>57 - 62</p> <p>63 - 66</p> |
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