

Children and Education Policy and Accountability Committee

Agenda

Monday 20 April 2015

7.00 pm

Committee Room 1, Hammersmith Town Hall

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1. MINUTES	1 - 12

To approve as an accurate record, and the Chair to sign, the minutes of the meeting of the Children and Education Policy and Accountability Committee held on 10 February 2015.

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

If a Councillor has a disclosable pecuniary interest in a particular item, whether or not it is entered in the Authority's register of interests, or any other significant interest which they consider should be declared in the public interest, they should declare the existence and, unless it is a sensitive interest as defined in the Member Code of Conduct, the nature of the interest at the commencement of the consideration of that item or as soon as it becomes apparent.

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Where Members of the public are not allowed to be in attendance and speak, then the Councillor with a disclosable pecuniary interest should withdraw from the meeting whilst the matter is under consideration. Councillors who have declared other significant interests should also withdraw from the meeting if they consider their continued participation in the matter would not be reasonable in the circumstances and may give rise to a perception of a conflict of interest.

Councillors are not obliged to withdraw from the meeting where a dispensation to that effect has been obtained from the Audit, Pensions and Standards Committee.

4. YOUTH VOICE AND THE YOUTH COUNCIL MANIFESTO 2015-16

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The report provides a brief summary of current and proposed arrangements for 'youth voice' (consultation and engagement of young people) in Hammersmith and Fulham. It also introduces the Youth Council manifesto for 2015-16 and proposals for working with the Committee.

Some members of the Youth Council will be attending the meeting and will give a brief presentation outlining the Youth Voice in Hammersmith and Fulham and to explain where the Youth Council fits in that structure and its proposals on working with the Committee. A copy of the Youth Council's manifesto film will also be shown at the meeting.

5. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

To invite questions from members of the public present.

Members of the public with more complex issues are invited to submit their questions in advance in order to allow a more substantive answer to be given. Questions can be sent to the contact officer shown on the front page of the agenda.

6. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S UPDATE

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To note the Executive Director's update report.

7. CABINET MEMBERS UPDATE

8. INTERIM REPORT OF THE CHILDCARE TASK GROUP

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The attached interim report of the Childcare Task Group outlines the key findings of the group, which includes an executive summary, the terms of reference for the group, its methodology, the statistical context, the current childcare provision in the borough, evidence gathering, policy and additional information.

The interim report identifies several key areas that the task group would like to investigate in more detail, reporting to the Committee on each of these throughout the next municipal year. The first of these detailed reports is regarding the importance of accurate information for local families and the current performance of the Hammersmith and Fulham Family Information Service, and is included at section 3 of this report for the Committee's consideration.

9. WORK PROGRAMME

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- (1) The Committee is asked to give consideration to its work programme for the next municipal year.
- (2) Members of the Committee to feedback on any visits to schools that have taken place in respect of recent Ofsted Inspections.
- (3) Attached is the current list of Key Decisions for information.

10. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

This is the last meeting of this municipal year. The dates for the next municipal year will be agreed at the Annual Council Meeting on 20 May 2015.