

Children and Education Policy and Accountability Committee

Agenda

Monday 23 November 2015

7.00 pm

COMMITTEE ROOM 1 - HAMMERSMITH TOWN HALL

MEMBERSHIP

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1. MINUTES		1 - 7
	To approve and sign the minutes of the meeting held on 21 September 2015.	
2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE		
3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST		
	<p>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.</p> <p>At meetings where members of the public are allowed to be in attendance and speak, any Councillor with a disclosable pecuniary interest or other significant interest may also make representations, give evidence or answer questions about the matter. The Councillor must then withdraw immediately from the meeting before the matter is discussed and any vote taken.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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.</p>	
4. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION		
	<p>To invite questions from members of the public present.</p> <p>Members of the public are invited to submit their questions in advance to allow a more substantive answer to be given. Questions can be sent to: david.abbott@lbhf.gov.uk</p>	

5. CHILD PROTECTION AND SAFEGUARDING IN HAMMERSMITH & FULHAM - PRESENTATION AND Q&A 8 - 23

In this section there will be a presentation on safeguarding covering key topics such as:

- What do we mean by safeguarding?
- Whose responsibility is it?
- Myths and realities.
- What to do if you have concerns about someone (referral pathways).

The report is attached as an accompaniment to the presentation and provides an overview of child protection and safeguarding activity in the borough.

6. LOCAL SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN BOARD - 2014-15 ANNUAL REPORT 24 - 83

The Annual Report provides a detailed overview of the work of the Local Safeguarding Children Board in 2014/15 and the priorities it needs to pursue in 2015/16 and beyond.

7. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S UPDATE 84 - 88

This report provides a brief overview of recent developments of relevance in the Children's Services department for the Committee to consider.

8. CABINET MEMBERS UPDATE

This section provides time for the Cabinet Member(s) to update members on activity relevant to the Committee.

9. WORK PROGRAMME 89 - 91

The Committee is asked to give consideration to its work programme for the current municipal year.

10. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting is scheduled for 18 January 2016.