

Children and Education Policy and Accountability Committee

Agenda

Monday 18 January 2016

7.00 pm

Small Hall - Hammersmith Town Hall

MEMBERSHIP

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1. MINUTES	To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 23 November 2015.	1 - 8
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	Members of the public are invited to ask questions of the Committee and attending officers. 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.	
5. YOUTH TAKE OVER DAY - EVALUATION REPORT	This report details the 2015 Youth Take Over Day at Hammersmith and Fulham Council where young people were invited to work alongside adults, try out different jobs, take on challenges, and be involved in	9 - 19

decision making.

- 6. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S UPDATE** 20 - 24

This report provides a brief overview of recent developments of relevance to the Children's Services department for members to consider.
- 7. CABINET MEMBER'S UPDATE**

The Cabinet Member for Children and Education will give a verbal update on recent developments relevant to the work of the Committee.
- 8. LOOKED AFTER CHILDREN AND CARE LEAVERS ANNUAL REPORT** 25 - 37

This report highlights the significant responsibilities the Council has in relation to looked after children and care leavers, as well as recent achievements, and future developments for the service.
- 9. CHILDREN'S SERVICES BUDGET PROPOSALS** 38 - 52

This report sets out the budget proposals for Children's Services. An update is also provided on any changes to fees and charges.
- 10. WORK PROGRAMME** 53

The Committee is asked to give consideration to its work programme for the year.
- 11. DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting of the Committee is scheduled for 29 February 2016.