

# Children and Education Policy and Accountability Committee

### **Agenda**

Monday 19 September 2016
7.00 pm
COMMITTEE ROOM 1 - HAMMERSMITH TOWN HALL

#### **MEMBERSHIP**

Administration	Opposition
Councillor Caroline Needham (Chair) Councillor Alan De'Ath Councillor Elaine Chumnery	Councillor Caroline Ffiske (Vice-Chair) Councillor Marcus Ginn

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Eleanor Allen, London Diocesan Board for Schools
Nandini Ganesh, Parentsactive Representative
Philippa O'Driscoll, Westminster Diocesan Education Service Representative
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**1. MINUTES** 1 - 9

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 13 June 2016.

#### 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.

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.

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. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Members of public are encouraged to ask questions of the Committee or Cabinet Member. To submit a question please contact: <a href="mailto:david.abbott@lbhf.gov.uk">david.abbott@lbhf.gov.uk</a>

#### 5. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S UPDATE

This report provides an update on key developments in Children's Services since the previous meeting.

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#### 6. CABINET MEMBERS UPDATE

The Cabinet Member for Children and Education will provide a verbal update on duties undertaken since the previous meeting.

#### 7. THE IMPACT OF RECENT 'SEN' POLICY CHANGES

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This report provides an overview of recent developments in national policy in relation to children and young people with special educational needs (SEN). It also provides a summary of how Council services have implemented the changes and are supporting children, young people, parents and education settings. Finally it describes service improvements that are taking place.

#### 8. CARE-LEAVER ACCOMMODATION

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The purpose of this report is:

- To provide an outline of the Semi Independent Living Accommodation provision for care leavers in Hammersmith and Fulham
- To summarise the headlines from Centrepoint's Annual Contract Performance Review
- To outline the future direction for the continued improvement of the delivery of the service and the proposed contract management process

#### 9. CHILDCARE TASK GROUP - FINAL UPDATE

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This report updates the Committee on key developments in the following areas:

- The importance of accurate information for local families
- Improving support for childminders and the effectiveness of the offer of childminding services for local families
- The role of Children's Centres in delivering effective, high quality childcare in Hammersmith and Fulham
- Building on the findings of the 8-6 out-of-core-hours pilot for support in schools
- Innovative solutions for growing a skilled workforce

#### 10. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The Committee is asked to note the date of the next meeting, which is to be held on 21 November 2016.