

Children and Education Policy and Accountability Committee

Agenda

Monday 30 January 2017

7.00 pm

Courtyard Room - Hammersmith Town Hall

MEMBERSHIP

Administration	Opposition
Councillor Caroline Needham (Chair) Councillor Alan De'Ath Councillor Elaine Chumnerly	Councillor Caroline Ffiske (Vice-Chair) Councillor Marcus Ginn
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	To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 21 November 2016.	
2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE		
3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST		
	More information on declarations can be found on the next page.	
4. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION		
	To invite questions from members of the public.	
	Anyone is welcome to ask questions without giving notice but if you have complex questions you can submit them in advance to ensure a more detailed answer. Contact: david.abbott@lbhf.gov.uk	
5. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S UPDATE		10 - 16
	This report provides a brief overview of recent developments in the Children's Services department.	
6. CABINET MEMBER'S UPDATE		
	The (Acting) Cabinet Member for Children and Education will give a short verbal update on their activities since the previous meeting.	
7. YOUTH COUNCIL MANIFESTO UPDATE		
	Youth Council members will give a verbal update on their manifesto and last year's Youth Takeover Day.	
8. LOOKED AFTER CHILDREN AND CARE LEAVERS ANNUAL REPORT		17 - 40
	This report highlights the responsibilities of the Looked After Children service, recent achievements, and developments for the future.	
9. CHILDREN'S SERVICES BUDGET REPORT 2017		41 - 58
	This report sets out the budget proposals for Children's Services.	

- 10. CHILDREN'S SOCIAL CARE COMPLAINTS REPORT 2015-16** 59 - 77
- This report provides information about complaints made between 1 April 2015 and 31 March 2016. It highlights how the department has performed against statutory timescales and the improvements that have been made.
- 11. WORK PROGRAMME** 78 - 80
- The Committee is asked to review its work programme.
- 12. DATE OF NEXT MEETING**
- The next meeting will be held on 27 February 2017 at 7pm in the Town Hall.

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