

# **Children and Young People Overview and Scrutiny Committee**

Thursday, 9 December 2010 at 7.00 pm

Committee Rooms 1 and 2, Brent Town Hall, Forty Lane, Wembley, HA9 9HD

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HM Patel

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## **Agenda**

Introductions, if appropriate.

Apologies for absence and clarification of alternate members

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#### 1 Declarations of personal and prejudicial interests

Members are invited to declare, at this stage of the meeting, any relevant financial or other interest in the items on the agenda.

#### 2 Deputations

#### 3 Minutes of the meeting held on 20 October 2010

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The minutes are attached.

#### 4 Matters Arising

#### 5 Primary school expansion strategy

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Demand for primary school places is forecast to exceed the supply of places. Areport was taken to the Council's Executive on 15<sup>th</sup> November 2010 detailing the delivery strategy for primary school expansion.

#### 6 16-19 Agenda

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The Apprenticeships, Skills, Children and Learning Act became law in November 2009. The act transferred the Learning and Skills Council's responsibilities for commissioning 16-19 education provision to local authorities from April 2010. In July 2010 the Department for Education announced changes to the 16-19 commissioning process that would come into effect in August and that new guidance would be published on the role of local authorities in the autumn. This report is to provide an update to the Children and Families Overview and Scrutiny Committee on the progress the local authority has made in planning for and delivering its statutory 16-19 responsibilities and sets out the national policy changes that have taken place since July.

#### 7 Special Educational Needs: One Council project

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This report follows on from previous reports to the Overview and Scrutiny Committee which outlined plans to meet the increasing demand for specialist Special Educational Needs placements and to manage related

budgetary pressures. A project concept paper has been developed as part of the One Council Programme. It sets out a high level plan for the period September 2010 to August 2013 and has the dual aim of improving local arrangements for meeting special educational needs and providing efficiency savings.

#### 8 Safety at the school gates task group follow up

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The Children and Young People Overview and Scrutiny Committee has asked for an update on the implementation of the recommendations arising from the Safety at the school gates task group. The task group was carried out in 2009/10 by members of the Children and Families Overview and Scrutiny Committee and reported its findings to the Executive in March 2010. The report provides an update on the recommendations that the task group made to the Executive.

#### 9 Verbal update - school places in Brent

Members will receive a verbal update on the latest situation with regard to school places in Brent.

#### 10 Work Programme 2010-11

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The Work Programme 2010/11 is attached for Members to consider.

#### 11 Date of next meeting

The next meeting of the Children and Young People Overview and Scrutiny Committee is scheduled for Thursday, 10 October at 7.00 pm.

#### 12 Any other urgent business

Notice of items to be raised under this heading must be given in writing to the Democratic Services Manager or his representative before the meeting in accordance with Standing Order 64.



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