



Meeting: CHILDREN & FAMILIES OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Date: Wednesday, 18th June 2008

Time: 7.30 pm

Venue: Committee Rooms 1 & 2, 2nd Floor, Brent Town Hall, Forty Lane, Wembley, HA9 9HD

AGENDA

Membership:

Members

**MOTLEY (C)
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V Brown

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Mrs Bondzi-Simpson
Mr Lorenzato
Mr Akisanya*

OBSERVERS: *Mr Vaughan
Mrs L Gouldbourne
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Ms J Cooper
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Introductions, if appropriate.

Apologies for absence and clarification of alternate members

1. **Declarations of Personal and Prejudicial Interests (if any)**

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

p.1 2. **Minutes of the Previous Meeting**

The minutes of the last meeting on Wednesday 23rd April 2008 are attached.

3. **Matters Arising**

p.9 4. **Annual Report of Brent Youth Parliament**

This report sets out the progress that has been achieved in establishing Brent's first youth parliament (BYP) since the proposal gained Full Council approval in November 2006. The report evaluates the performance and impact of the youth parliament against the terms of reference agreed by the Constitutional Working Group in October 2006.

Members are requested to note the progress of BYP and note the recommendations for change proposed by the youth parliament included in this report.

p.21 5. **Facilities Audit for the Delivery of 14-19 Diplomas and Activity Survey**

This report provides an overview of the facilities audit for the delivery of 14-19 diplomas. Attached is a survey showing the education and employment activities of school leavers in Brent in the academic year 2006/2007.

Members are requested to note these reports.

p.37 6. **Equalities Impact of School Places Provision in the South of the Borough**

This report explores current school provision within Brent across the north and south of the Borough and the impact current provision has on equalities issues across the Borough.

Members are requested to note the general pressure on school places, population projections which will further increase pressure on places and the Council's plans to provide additional places. Members are also requested to note the extent to which parental preference determines the distance travelled to school and the correspondence between the Council and the Commission for Racial Equality (CRE), which details the Council's plans to increase the provision of school places across the Borough including significant expansion in the south.

Correspondence between the Council and the CRE is attached as Appendix 1. Information on distances travelled to school is attached as Appendix 2.



p.71 7. **Children & Families Overview and Scrutiny Work Programme 2008/09**

This report sets out options for the Overview & Scrutiny work programme for 2008/09.

Members are requested to agree the work programme and suggest additional topics for review.

The proposed Children & Families Overview and Scrutiny Work Programme 2008/09 is attached as Appendix 1.

8. **School Places Update**

Members will be provided with a verbal update on on the issues relating to the sufficiency of primary and secondary school places, the numbers of children currently without a school place and the measures taken to provide suitable education provision for children out of school.

9. **Date of Next Meeting**

The next meeting of the Children and Families Overview and Scrutiny Committee is scheduled for Wednesday 10th September 2008.

10. **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 No 65.



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