



Notice of meeting of

Executive Members for Childrens Services and Advisory Panel

To: Councillor Carol Runciman, Childrens Services
(Executive Member)
Councillor Keith Aspden, Youth & Social Inclusion
(Executive Member)
Councillor James Alexander (Chair)
Councillor Jenny Brooks (Vice-Chair)
Councillor Paul Firth
Councillor Julie Gunnell
Councillor David Merrett
Councillor Andy D'Agorne

Co-opted Statutory Members:

Dr David Sellick
Mr John Bailey

Co-opted Non-Statutory Members:

Ms Fiona Barclay
Mrs Ann Burn
Mrs Jona Ellis
Ms Barbara Reagan
Mr Mike Thomas
Mr Mike Galloway

Date: Monday, 21 January 2008

Time: 6.00 pm

Venue: Guildhall

AGENDA

Notice to Members - Calling In:

Members are reminded that, should they wish to call in any item on this agenda, notice must be given to Democracy Support Group by:

10:00 am on Friday 18 January 2008, if an item is called in *before* a decision is taken, *or*

4:00 pm on Wednesday 23 January 2008, if an item is called in *after* a decision has been taken.

Items called in will be considered by the Scrutiny Management Committee.

1. Declarations of Interest (Pages 3 - 4)

At this point Members are asked to declare any personal or prejudicial interests they may have in the business on this agenda.

2. Minutes (Pages 5 - 26)

To approve and sign the minutes of the meeting held on 6 December 2007.

3. Public Participation

At this point in the meeting members of the public who have registered their wish to speak regarding an item on the agenda or an issue within the Panel's remit can do so. Anyone who wishes to register or requires further information is requested to contact the Democracy Officer on the contact details listed at the foot of this agenda. The deadline for registering is 5pm the working day before the meeting.

4. Exclusion of Press and Public

To consider excluding the public and press from the meeting during consideration of Annex B to agenda item 8 on the grounds that it is likely to reveal the identity of an individual. It also contains information relating to labour relations. This information is classed

as exempt under Paragraphs 2 and 4 of Schedule 12A to Section 100A of the Local Government Act 1972.

5. Home to School Travel and Transport Policy (Pages 27 - 64)

This report seeks approval for a revised home to school transport policy that will come into operation from 1 September 2008. The policy reflects the new statutory responsibilities placed on Local Authorities as a result of the Education and Inspections Act 2006.

6. Purchasing from Voluntary Sector of Play Services (Pages 65 - 70)

This paper sets out the Government's recent announcements from the Children, School and Families Secretary on the national play agenda and requests approval for the use of Better Play Grants for the purchase of some specific play services through service level agreements.

7. Local Authority School Governor Appointments (Pages 71 - 76)

This report provides information about the current position with regard to vacancies for LA seats on governing bodies, lists current nominations for those vacancies, as detailed in Annex 1, and requests the appointment, or re-appointment, of the listed nominees.

8. Establishing an Integrated Youth Service for York (Pages 77 - 94)

This report summarises the progress towards establishing an integrated service for young people in York, since the decision in principle at the Executive meeting on 27 February 2007 to adopt a directly-managed model when responsibility for the Connexions service transfers to Local Authorities in April 2008.

9. Revenue Budgets 2008/9 (Pages 95 - 138)

This report presents the 2008/09 budget proposals for Children's Services. It includes:

- The revenue budget for 2007/08 (Annex 1) to show the original budgets.

- The base budget for 2008/09 including the 2007/08 budget rolled forward and adjusted.
- The provisional allocation of pay and price increases for the portfolio.
- Budget service pressure costs and savings proposals for the portfolio area (Annexes 2 and 3).
- Fees and Charges proposals (Annex 4).
- Other revenue budget options for consultation (Annex 5).
- The existing approved capital programme (Annex 6).
- Proposals for new capital schemes (Annex 7).
- Residential Homes, Foster Carers, Sharing Care, Adoption and Residence Order Weekly Allowances (Annex 8).

10. Capital Budget 2008/9

This report has been amalgamated with the Revenue Budget 2008/09 report above.

11. Change to the School Funding Formula (Pages 139 - 202)

This report recommends changes to some factors within the Local Management of Schools (LMS) Funding Formula prior to April 2008. The report sets out the responses received from schools during the recent consultation exercise and the resulting recommendations of the Schools Forum

12. The Annual Report of the City of York Standing Advisory Council for Religious Education (SACRE) (Pages 203 - 210)

The report attached as Annex 1 provides members and the Qualifications and Curriculum Authority with details of the work of the City of York Standing Advisory Council for Religious Education (SACRE) from January to December 2007.

13. Any other business which the Chair considers urgent under the Local Government Act 1972

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- Registering to speak
- Business of the meeting
- Any special arrangements
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