

**Agenda for a meeting of the Children's Services Overview and Scrutiny Committee to be held on Wednesday 10 February 2016 at 1700 in St Edmunds Nursery School/Children's Centre, Washington Street, Bradford BD8 9QW**

**Members of the Committee - Councillors**

<b>Conservative</b>	<b>Labour</b>	<b>Liberal Democrat</b>	<b>Bradford Independents</b>
Sykes (Ch)	Engel	J Sunderland	F Khan
M Pollard (DCh)	Pearl		
	Shaheen		
	Tait		
	Thirkill		

**Alternates:**

<b><u>Conservative</u></b>	<b><u>Labour</u></b>	<b><u>Liberal Democrat</u></b>	<b><u>Bradford Independents</u></b>
Carmody	Bacon	N Pollard	Collector
Rickard	Abid Hussain		
	Lee		
	Akhtar		

**VOTING CO-OPTED MEMBERS:**

Church representatives: Claire Parr (RC), Joyce Simpson (CE)

Parent Governor Representatives: Mr Sidiq Ali, vacancy

**NON VOTING CO-OPTED MEMBERS:**

Health Representative: Tina Wildy

Teachers Secondary School Representative: Tom Bright

Teachers Primary School Representative: Stephen Pickles

Teachers Special School Representative: Irene Docherty

Voluntary Sector Representative: Kerr Kennedy

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**To:**



## **A. PROCEDURAL ITEMS**

### **1. ALTERNATE MEMBERS (Standing Order 34)**

The Interim City Solicitor will report the names of alternate Members who are attending the meeting in place of appointed Members.

### **2. DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST**

(Members Code of Conduct - Part 4A of the Constitution)

To receive disclosures of interests from members and co-opted members on matters to be considered at the meeting. The disclosure must include the nature of the interest.

An interest must also be disclosed in the meeting when it becomes apparent to the member during the meeting.

Notes:

- (1) Members may remain in the meeting and take part fully in discussion and voting unless the interest is a disclosable pecuniary interest or an interest which the Member feels would call into question their compliance with the wider principles set out in the Code of Conduct. Disclosable pecuniary interests relate to the Member concerned or their spouse/partner.
- (2) Members in arrears of Council Tax by more than two months must not vote in decisions on, or which might affect, budget calculations, and must disclose at the meeting that this restriction applies to them. A failure to comply with these requirements is a criminal offence under section 106 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992.
- (3) Members are also welcome to disclose interests which are not disclosable pecuniary interests but which they consider should be made in the interest of clarity.
- (4) Officers must disclose interests in accordance with Council Standing Order 44.

### **3. MINUTES**

**Recommended –**

**That the minutes of the meeting held on 12 January 2016 be signed as a correct record (previously circulated).**



#### 4. **INSPECTION OF REPORTS AND BACKGROUND PAPERS**

(Access to Information Procedure Rules – Part 3B of the Constitution)

Reports and background papers for agenda items may be inspected by contacting the person shown after each agenda item. Certain reports and background papers may be restricted.

Any request to remove the restriction on a report or background paper should be made to the relevant Strategic Director or Assistant Director whose name is shown on the front page of the report.

If that request is refused, there is a right of appeal to this meeting. Please contact the officer shown below in advance of the meeting if you wish to appeal.

(Fatima Butt - 01274 434580)

#### 5. **REFERRALS TO THE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE**

To receive referrals that have been made to this Committee after the publication of this agenda.

The Committee is asked to note the referrals and decide how it wishes to proceed, for example by incorporating the item into the work programme, requesting that it be subject to more detailed examination, or refer it to an appropriate Working Group/Committee.

(Fatima Butt - 01274 432227)

#### A. OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY ACTIVITIES

#### 6. **RECRUITMENT AND RETENTION IN TEACHING ACROSS BRADFORD SCHOOLS**

Previous Reference: Minute 60 (2015/16)

Members are asked to consider **Document “AX”** which presents a piece of research undertaken by Dr George Madine (University of Bradford), on the recruitment and retention of teachers across Bradford Schools.

(Licia Woodhead – 01274 432119)

#### 7. **TEACHING SCHOOLS AND HOW THEY ARE OPERATING IN BRADFORD**

Teaching schools are outstanding schools that work with others to provide high-quality training and development to new and experienced school staff. They are part of the government’s plan to give schools a central role in raising standards by developing a self-improving and sustainable school-led system.



Bradford currently has five Teaching Schools that operate as Alliances with other schools across the area.

The Assistant Director, Education and School Improvement will submit **Document “AY”** which provides some background about Teaching Schools and the Alliances they form, the current position in Bradford, the work the Alliances have undertaken and the impact of this work.

**Recommended-**

**Members are requested to consider and note the information provided.**

(Judith Kirk - 01274 385676)

**8. TENDERING OF CONTRACT OVER £2M FOR BRADFORD CONNEXIONS SERVICE**

In line with the requirements of Council’s Contracts Standing Order 4.4.1 to report all proposed procurement exercises with a total estimated contract value of over £2million prior to commencement of the procurement tendering process. The Strategic Director Children’s Services will submit **Document “AZ”** which reports on the planned procurement of the Connexions contract and thereby give Members the opportunity to engage in the process prior to inviting tenders from the marketplace.

**Recommended-**

**That the report and the option to undertake the tendering exercise for the Connexions contract be noted.**

(Philip Hunter - 01274 385680)

**9. CHILDREN’S SERVICES OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE WORK PROGRAMME 2015-16**

The report of the Chair of Children’s Services Overview and Scrutiny Committee (**Document “BA”**) presents the Committee’s Work Programme 2015-16.

**Recommended -**

**That the Work Programme 2015-16 continues to be regularly reviewed during the year.**

(Licia Woodhead - 01274 432119)

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