

## Minutes

### EDUCATION & CHILDREN'S SERVICES POLICY OVERVIEW COMMITTEE

7 June 2012



Meeting held at Committee Room 6 - Civic Centre,  
High Street, Uxbridge UB8 1UW

	<p><b>Committee Members Present:</b> Councillors Catherine Dann (Chairman) Lindsay Bliss Jazz Dhillon John Hensley John Riley Wayne Bridges Dominic Gilham</p> <p><b>Representative Member:</b> Tony Little - Roman Catholic Diocese</p> <p><b>LBH Officers Present:</b> Linda Sanders, Corporate Director – Social Care, Health &amp; Housing, Merlin Joseph – Deputy Director, Children &amp; Families, Tricia Collis – Universal Service for Education and Skills, Gill Brice – Democratic Services</p>	
2.	<p><b>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE (Agenda Item 1)</b></p> <p>Apologies for absence had been received from Councillors Judith Cooper and Susan O'Brien with Councillors Dominic Gilham and Wayne Bridges substituting.</p>	<b>Action by</b>
3.	<p><b>TO CONFIRM THAT ALL ITEMS MARKED PART 1 WILL BE CONSIDERED IN PUBLIC AND ALL PART 2 ITEMS WILL BE CONSIDERED IN PRIVATE (Agenda Item 3)</b></p> <p>It was confirmed that all items marked in Part 1 would be heard in public and those marked part 2 would be held in private.</p>	<b>Action by</b>
4.	<p><b>TO RECEIVE THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETINGS. (Agenda Item 5)</b></p> <p>The minutes of the meetings held on 24 April and 10 May 2012 were agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.</p>	<b>Action by</b>
5.	<p><b>REVIEW TOPICS DISCUSSION (Agenda Item 6)</b></p> <p>The Committee discussed a number of possible review topics for 2012/2013. The topics put forward were:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Leaving Care Grant.</li><li>• Children Missing from Care.</li><li>• Special Educational Needs (SEN) Green Paper.</li><li>• Recruitment and Retention of Staff in Children's Services.</li></ul>	<b>Action by</b>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Education barriers for single mothers up to 18 seeking work.</li> <li>• How well school leavers are prepared for work.</li> <li>• Impact on the Local Education Authority of schools becoming Academies.</li> </ul> <p>The Chairman suggested that the seven topics put forward should be reduced to three. The Committee agreed to a single meeting review on the Leaving Care Grant to take place at the July meeting and that two draft scoping reports be produced on the SEN Green Paper and Children Missing from Care.</p> <p><b>Resolved –</b></p> <p><b>1. That a scoping report and witnesses be provided for the next meeting on a single meeting review on the Leaving Care Grant, and</b></p> <p><b>2. That Draft Scoping Reports be submitted to the next meeting on the SEN Green Paper and Children Missing from Care.</b></p>	<p><b>Merlin Joseph / Gill Brice</b></p> <p><b>Pauline Nixon / Paul Hewitt / Gill Brice</b></p>
6.	<p><b>CABINET FORWARD PLAN 2012</b> (<i>Agenda Item 7</i>)</p> <p>The Committee noted the report setting out the items on the Forward Plan relating to Education &amp; Children's Services.</p> <p><b>Resolved – That the items on the Forward Plan be noted.</b></p>	<p><b>Action by</b></p>
7.	<p><b>WORK PROGRAMME 2012/2013</b> (<i>Agenda Item 8</i>)</p> <p>The Committee received a report setting out the Work Programme for 2012/2013.</p> <p><b>Resolved – That report be noted.</b></p>	<p><b>Action by</b></p>
<p>The meeting, which commenced at 7.00 pm, closed at 7.45 pm.</p>		

These are the minutes of the above meeting. For more information on any of the resolutions please contact Gill Brice on 01895 250693. Circulation of these minutes is to Councillors, Officers, the Press and Members of the Public.