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# Children and Young People Policy and Scrutiny Committee

Date: Thursday, 1 October 2009

Time: 10.00 am

**Venues:** Committee Room 1, County Hall

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## **Agenda**

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The main focus of this meeting will be updating the Committee on a number of major issues involving children and young people, and agreeing activities until the end of the year.



## Part I

(Business to be taken in public)

## Agenda Item

## 1. Apologies and Substitution Notices

The Committee Officer to report the receipt of apologies for absence and substitution notices as appropriate.

#### 2. Declarations of Interest

To note any declarations of interest to be made by Members.

#### 3. Minutes

To approve as a correct record the minutes of the Children and Young People Policy and Scrutiny Committee meeting held on <u>3 September 2009</u>.

## 4. Teams Around Schools, Children and the Community (TASCCs)

To consider the attached report (<u>CYP/21/09</u>) and supporting presentation by Lou Williams, Head of External Placements and High Level Family Support.

#### 5. Children's Trust

To consider the attached report (<u>CYP/22/09</u>) and supporting presentation by Lou Williams, Head of External Placements and High Level Family Support

#### 6. Underachievement in Schools

To consider the attached report (<u>CYP/23/09</u>) and supporting presentation by Terry Reynolds, Director for Learning School Improvement and Early Years.

#### 7. Member visits to children's homes

To consider proposals to be put forward by the Chairman of the Committee.

## 8 Non County Placements

To consider a report by the Chairman of the Committee in the light of a recent meeting with Directorate officers and to agree what further action is required by this Committee.

#### 9. Dates of Future Meetings

It is proposed that the following dates be reserved for this Committee as

activity days, and may comprise:

- Meetings in private
- Meetings in public
- Working groups
- Sub-Committee meetings
- Outside visits

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> November 2009

Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2009

Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2010

Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> February 2010

Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> March 2010

Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> April 2010

## 10. Urgent Part I Business

To consider any other items which, in the opinion of the Chairman, should be considered in public by reason of special circumstances (to be specified) as a matter of urgency.

#### 11. Exclusion of the Public

To consider whether the public (including the press) should be excluded from the meeting during consideration of an agenda item on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as specified in Part I of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 (exclusion is recommended for the items set out in Part II below).

#### **PART II**

(Business to be taken in private)

At the time of preparation, there were no items for inclusion in this part of the agenda.

## 12. Urgent Part II Business

To consider any other items which, in the opinion of the Chairman, should be considered in private by reason of special circumstances (to be specified) as a matter of urgency.