

Children and Young People Overview and Scrutiny Committee

Date:	Wednesday, 16 November 2011
Time:	6.00 pm
Venue:	Committee Room 2 - Wallasey Town Hall

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AGENDA

1. MEMBERS' CODE OF CONDUCT - DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST / PARTY WHIP

Members are asked to consider whether they have personal or prejudicial interests in connection with any item(s) on this agenda and, if so, to declare them and state what they are.

Members are reminded that they should also declare, pursuant to paragraph 18 of the Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rules, whether they are subject to a party whip in connection with any item(s) to be considered and, if so, to declare it and state the nature of the whipping arrangement.

2. MINUTES (Pages 1 - 8)

To receive the minutes of the meeting held on 20 September, 2011.

3. EARLY INTERVENTION GRANT - LESSONS LEARNT (Pages 9 - 18)

Tony Gallagher, Her Majesty's Inspector, will be in attendance at the meeting and will be invited to make a contribution to the discussion on this item.

4. OFSTED CHILDREN'S SERVICES ASSESSMENT

Report to follow.

5. **FOSTERING SERVICE REPORT ON INSPECTION (Pages 19 - 44)**
6. **CHILD POVERTY STRATEGY - ACTION PLAN / IMPLEMENTATION**

The Chair will give a verbal report on this item.

7. **2011/12 SECOND QUARTER PERFORMANCE AND FINANCIAL REVIEW (Pages 45 - 58)**
8. **SCRUTINY REVIEW OF LITERACY LEVELS AT KEY STAGE 2 - PROGRESS REPORT (Pages 59 - 72)**
9. **SECONDARY SCHOOL PLACES - DEMOGRAPHIC UPDATE (Pages 73 - 86)**
10. **SCHOOL ANNUAL PERFORMANCE REVIEW - POST 16 STANDARDS**

Mark Parkinson, Acting Deputy Director will give a verbal update on post 16 standards.

11. **ANNUAL COMPLAINTS REPORT (Pages 87 - 96)**
12. **WORK PROGRAMME (Pages 97 - 102)**
13. **FORWARD PLAN**

The Forward Plan for the period November, 2011 to February, 2012 has now been published on the Council's intranet/website and Members are invited to review the Plan prior to the meeting in order for the Committee to consider, having regard to the Committee's work programme, whether scrutiny should take place of any items contained within the Plan and, if so, how it could be done within relevant timescales and resources.

14. **ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS ACCEPTED BY THE CHAIR**