

Governance and Human Resources Town Hall, Upper Street, London, N1 2UD

AGENDA FOR THE CHILDREN'S SERVICES SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Members of the Children's Services Scrutiny Committee are summoned to a meeting, which will be held in Committee Room 5, Town Hall, Upper Street, N1 2UD on, 9 March 2015 at 7.30 pm.

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<u>Membership</u> Substitute Members

Councillors:

Councillor Kaya Comer-Schwartz (Chair)

Councillor Nick Ward (Vice-Chair)

Councillor Alice Donovan

Councillor Michelline Safi Ngongo

Councillor Dave Poyser Councillor Nurullah Turan Councillor Diarmaid Ward

Councillor Nick Wayne

Co-opted Member:

Vacancy, Church of England Diocese James Stephenson, Secondary Parent Governor Erol Baduna, Primary Parent Governor Mary Clement, Roman Catholic Diocese

Quorum is 4 Councillors

Substitutes:

Councillor Mouna Hamitouche MBE

Councillor Angela Picknell Councillor James Court Councillor Satnam Gill

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1.	Apologies for Absence	
2.	Declarations of Interest	
	If you have a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest* in an item of business: • if it is not yet on the council's register, you must declare both the existence and details of it at the start of the meeting or when it becomes apparent; • you may choose to declare a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest that is already in the register in the interests of openness and transparency. In both the above cases, you must leave the room without participating in discussion of the item. If you have a personal interest in an item of business and you intend to speak or vote on the item you must declare both the existence and details of it at the start of the meeting or when it becomes apparent but you may participate in the discussion and vote on the item. *(a)Employment, etc - Any employment, office, trade, profession or vocation carried on for profit or gain. (b) Sponsorship - Any payment or other financial benefit in respect of your expenses in carrying out duties as a member, or of your election; including from a trade union. (c) Contracts - Any current contract for goods, services or works, between you or your partner (or a body in which one of you has a beneficial interest) and the council. (d) Land - Any beneficial interest in land which is within the council's area. (e) Licences- Any licence to occupy land in the council's area for a month or longer. (f) Corporate tenancies - Any tenancy between the council and a body in which you or your partner have a beneficial interest. (g) Securities - Any beneficial interest in securities of a body which has a place of business or land in the council's area, if the total nominal value of the securities exceeds £25,000 or one hundredth of the total issued share capital.	
	This applies to all members present at the meeting.	
3.	Declaration of Substitute Members	
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Items for Call In (if any)

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C. Urgent Non-exempt items

Any non-exempt items which the Chair agrees should be considered urgently by reason of special circumstances. The reasons for urgency will be agreed by the Chair and recorded in the minutes.

D. Exclusion of press and public

To consider whether, in view of the nature of the remaining item on the agenda, it is likely to involve the disclosure of exempt or confidential information within the terms of the Access to Information Procedure Rules in the Constitution and, if so, whether to exclude the press and public during discussion thereof.

E. Exempt items for call in (if any)

F. Urgent Exempt Items (if any)

Any exempt items which the Chair agrees should be considered urgently by reason of special circumstances. The reasons for urgency will be agreed by the Chair and recorded in the minutes.

The next meeting of the Children's Services Scrutiny Committee will be on 28 April 2015.

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