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Please Ask For:
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21st September 2006

Dear Member

Dudley Schools Forum

You are requested to attend a meeting of the Dudley Schools Forum, which will be held at Saltwells EDC, Bowling Green Road, Netherton, Dudley on Tuesday 3rd October 2006, at 6.00 p.m. The Agenda is attached.

A light buffet will be available in the meeting room from 5.30 p.m. onwards.

Yours sincerely,



Democratic Services Officer

To: - All Members of the Dudley Schools Forum:

Mr Bell, Mrs Blunt, Mrs Brennan, Ms Cartwright, Mr Conway, Mr Francis, Ms Green, Ms Griffiths, Mr Hatton, Mr Harrington, Mr Heavisides, Mr Janjua, Mr Leyshon, Mrs Lonergan, Mr Millman, Mr Patterson, Mr James (as substitute for Ms Pearce), Councillor Nottingham, Mr Ridley, Mr Rhind-Tutt, Ms Rowlands, Mrs Hazlehurst (as substitute for Mr Slack), Mr Sorrell, Mr Timmins, Councillor Mrs Walker, Mr Warner, Mr Wassall, Mr Williams.

c.c. Assistant Director of Children's Services (Mr Watson), Mr Thompson (Directorate of Children's Services), Children's Services Finance Manager (Mrs Cocker) and Principal Accountant (Mrs Coates) – Directorate of Finance, ICT & Procurement.



AGENDA

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE
To receive apologies for absence from the meeting.
2. MINUTES
To approve as a correct record and sign the minutes of the meeting of the Forum held on 11th July, 2006 (copy attached).
3. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES
To consider any matters arising from the Minutes of the meeting of the Forum held on 11th July, 2006.
4. SPECIAL SCHOOLS FORMULA REVIEW – UPDATE
To receive a verbal update from Huw Powell, Schools Development Adviser.
(To note)
5. REORGANISATION OF SCHOOLS FORUM RE-APPOINTMENT PROCESS (Pages 1 – 4)
To consider the report of the Director of Children’s Services.
(Discussion and decision)
6. FAIR FUNDING FORMULA - SMALL SCHOOLS PROTECTION (Pages 5 – 9)
To consider the report of the Director of Children’s Services.
(Discussion and decision)
7. FUNDING FOR SPECIAL EDUCATIONAL NEEDS (SEN) PUPILS WITHOUT STATEMENTS (Pages 10 – 16)
To consider the report of the Director of Children’s Services.
(Discussion and decision)
8. POOLED BUDGETS – HEALTH ACT 1999, SECTION 31 (Pages 17 – 44)
To consider the report of the Director of Children’s Services.
(Discussion and decision)

9. BUDGET FACT SHEET NO. 5 (Pages 45 – 48)

To consider the report of the Director of Children's Services.

(To note)

10 DEDICATED SCHOOLS GRANT (DSG) BUDGET MONITORING
(Pages 49 – 64)

To consider the report of the Director of Children's Services.

(To note)

11. REVIEW OF FORUM DECISIONS REGARDING FUNDING FOR
SCHOOL CLOSURES (Pages 65 – 66)

To consider the report of the Assistant Director of Children's Services
(Resources).

(To Note)

12. OLDSWINFORD HOSPITAL – FUNDING FROM LOCAL
AUTHORITY RESOURCES (Pages 67 – 73)

To consider the report of the Director of Children's Services.

(To note)

13. DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS

To consider the following proposed schedule of meetings for the
2006/07 municipal year: -

- Tuesday 12th December 2006
- Tuesday 6th February, 2007
- Tuesday 20th March 2007
- Tuesday 22nd May, 2007