

WEST DUNBARTONSHIRE COUNCIL

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14 June 2007

MEETING: CHILDREN'S SERVICES COMMITTEE

**WEDNESDAY 20 JUNE 2007
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
CLYDEBANK TOWN HALL
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CLYDEBANK**

Dear Sir/Madam

Please attend a meeting of the **Children's Services Committee** to be held in the Chambers, Clydebank Town Hall, Dumbarton Road, Clydebank on **Wednesday, 20 June 2007 at 10.00 a.m.**

The business is as shown on the enclosed agenda.

Yours faithfully

DAVID McMILLAN

Chief Executive

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AGENDA

1. APOLOGIES

2. PRESENTATION ON STRUCTURE OF CHILDREN'S SERVICES AND RELEVANT KEY ISSUES

A joint presentation will be given by the Director of Education and Cultural Services and the Head of Social Work (Operations) informing the Committee about the structures within Education and Cultural Services (E&CS) and the children's services agenda within Social Work Services with relevant key issues relating to the services over the next few years.

In this respect, submit a joint report by the Director of Education and Cultural Services and the Director of Social Work Services.

3. ANNUAL PERFORMANCE REPORT

Submit report by the Director of Education and Cultural Services presenting for scrutiny the Annual Performance Report prepared by the Department of Education and Cultural Services and highlighting the department's performance across all the services delivered for the last financial year, from April 2006 to March 2007.

4. STANDARDS AND QUALITY REPORT 2005/2006

Submit report by the Director of Education and Cultural Services advising of the publication of the Department of Education and Cultural Services' Standards and Quality Report for 2005/2006 and making recommendations thereon.

Note: Copies of the aforementioned publication have been placed in each Group Room and issued to non-elected members, the Vale of Leven, Dumbarton and Clydebank Libraries.

5. DRAFT SERVICE PLAN 2007-2011

Submit report by the Director of Education and Cultural Services seeking approval of the 2007-2011 Service Plan for Education and Cultural Services.

6. ANNUAL PERFORMANCE REPORT 2006/07 AND QUARTERLY PROGRESS REPORT – JANUARY TO MARCH 2007 – PERFORMANCE INDICATORS: SOCIAL WORK SERVICES FOR CHILDREN AND CONTINUOUS IMPROVEMENT INFORMATION FOR ALL SOCIAL WORK

Submit report by the Director of Social Work Services:-

- (a) providing a progress report on Social Work Performance within Children's Services for the period ending 31 March 2007;
- (b) providing information on the annual performance where this information is presently available;
- (c) providing information on work being undertaken by the Department on continuous improvement, including Best Value Reviews, Performance Development, etc; and
- (d) in line with Scottish Executive Best Value Guidance and Audit Scotland recommendations, presenting information for elected members and stakeholders as part of wider Public Performance Reporting.

7. CHILDCARE CHARGES IN EARLY EDUCATION & CHILDCARE CENTRES: RESPONSE TO THE CONSULTATION EXERCISE

Submit report by the Director of Education and Cultural Services providing information and feedback for the Committee on the consultation exercise undertaken in relation to the proposed changes for Childcare provision within Council operated Early Education & Childcare Centres (EE&CCs) and making recommendations thereon.

8. HER MAJESTY'S INSPECTORATE OF EDUCATION: REPORT ON DALREOCH PRIMARY SCHOOL

Submit report by the Director of Education and Cultural Services providing information on the inspection of Dalreoch Primary School by Her Majesty's Inspectorate of Education (HMIe) and the subsequent report, published by HMIe on 8 May 2006.

9. HER MAJESTY'S INSPECTORATE OF EDUCATION: REPORT ON FOLLOW-THROUGH INSPECTION OF OUR LADY AND ST. PATRICK'S HIGH SCHOOL

Submit report by the Director of Education and Cultural Services providing information on the follow-through inspection of Our Lady and St. Patrick's High School by the Quality Improvement Unit of Education and Cultural Services and the subsequent report published by West Dunbartonshire Council on 8 May 2007.

10. HER MAJESTY'S INSPECTORATE OF EDUCATION: REPORT ON FOLLOW-THROUGH INSPECTION OF GAVINBURN PRIMARY SCHOOL

Submit report by the Director of Education and Cultural Services providing information on the follow-through inspection of Gavinburn Primary School by the Quality Improvement Unit of Education and Cultural Services and the subsequent report published by West Dunbartonshire Council on 8 May 2007.

11. UPDATE OF CAPITAL AND REVENUE BUILDING PROGRAMME 2007/2008

Submit report by the Director of Education and Cultural Services providing up to date information on the status of Education and Revenue Building Projects within the Education and Cultural Services Department and drawing the Committee's attention to significant issues or problems with the progress of any particular project.

12. MAINTREAM SCHOOL TRANSPORT – CONTRACTS ARRANGED FOR WEST DUNBARTONSHIRE COUNCIL BY STRATHCLYDE PASSENGER TRANSPORT (SPT)

Submit report by the Director of Education and Cultural Services:-

- (a) providing information on the contracts to be awarded for sums not exceeding £30,000; and
- (b) seeking approval for contracts to be awarded for sums exceeding £60,000.

13. ADDITIONAL SUPPORT NEEDS TRANSPORT – TENDERS TO BE AWARDED 2007/2008, 2008/2009, 2009/2010

Submit report by the Director of Education and Cultural Services:-

- (a) providing information on contracts for sums not exceeding £30,000;
- (b) providing information on contracts to be awarded for sums between £30,000 and £60,000; and
- (c) seeking approval to re-award contracts not exceeding £60,000, as required.

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