

WEST DUNBARTONSHIRE COUNCIL

Council Offices, Garshake Road, Dumbarton, G82 3PU

12 April 2007

MEETING: CHILDREN'S SERVICES COMMITTEE

**WEDNESDAY 18 APRIL 2007
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS
STATION ROAD
DUMBARTON**

Dear Sir/Madam

Please attend a meeting of the **Children's Services Committee** to be held in the Council Chambers, Municipal Buildings, Station Road, Dumbarton on **Wednesday, 18 April 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 – EXCLUSION STATISTICS FOR THE SCHOOL SESSION 2005/2006

Ms Lynn Townsend, Head of Service, will give a presentation on the exclusion statistics for West Dunbartonshire schools during the session 2005/2006, and the factors relating to pupil exclusion.

In this respect, submit report by the Director of Education and Cultural Services.

3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Submit for approval as a correct record the Minutes of Meeting of the Children's Services Committee held on 14 February 2007.

4. THE LOCAL NEGOTIATING COMMITTEE FOR TEACHERS

Submit for approval the Minutes of Meeting of the Local Negotiating Committee for Teachers held on 13 March 2007.

5. CHILDCARE CHARGES IN EARLY EDUCATION & CHILDCARE CENTRES

With reference to the Minutes of Meeting of the Council held on 28 March 2007, submit an excerpt Minute of that Meeting together with a report by the Director of Education and Cultural Services providing information on the proposed revised charges for childcare provision within Council operated Early Education & Childcare Centres and making recommendations thereon.

6. RATIONALISATION OF PRE-SCHOOL PLACES WITHIN THE DUMBARTON AREA

Submit report by the Director of Education and Cultural Services seeking approval for the further rationalisation of pre-school places within the Dumbarton area through the restriction of new entries to the Dumbarton Academy Early Education & Childcare Centre.

7. SPEND OF ADDITIONAL FUNDS ALLOCATED BY THE SCOTTISH EXECUTIVE

Submit report by the Director to Education and Cultural Services advising of the actual spend of the additional funds provided by the Scottish Executive.

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

Submit report by the Director of Education and Cultural Services providing information on the inspection of St. Joseph's Primary School by Her Majesty's Inspectorate of Education (HMIe) and the subsequent report, published by HMIe on 6 February 2007.

9. UPDATE OF CAPITAL AND REVENUE BUILDING PROGRAMME 2006/2007

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.

10. NATIONAL ACCREDITATION SCHEME FOR MUSEUMS – AWARD OF FULL ACCREDITATION

Submit report by the Director of Education and Cultural Services informing the Committee that West Dunbartonshire Council has been awarded Full Accreditation by the Museums, Libraries and Archives Council as part of the National Accreditation Scheme for Museums.

11. COSLA AWARDS 2007

Submit report by the Director of Education and Cultural Services advising that the Sport Development Unit have received a prestigious COSLA gold award for health improvement at a ceremony held in St. Andrews at the end of March 2007.

12. WEST DUNBARTONSHIRE'S INTEGRATED CHILDREN'S SERVICES PLAN 2005 – 2008

Submit report by the Director of Social Work informing the Committee of West Dunbartonshire's Integrated Children's Services Plan 2005-2008.

Note: copies of the aforementioned Plan have been circulated to Members and placed in the main libraries in Clydebank, Dumbarton and the Vale of Leven.

13. PERFORMANCE INDICATORS FOR CHILDREN'S SERVICES

Submit report by the Director of Social Work Services providing a progress report on Social Work Performance within Children's Services for the period ending 28 February 2007.

14. GETTING IT RIGHT FOR EVERY CHILD DRAFT CHILDREN'S SERVICES (SCOTLAND) BILL CONSULTATION

Submit report by the Director of Social Work Services informing the Committee of the consultation process being undertaken by the Scottish Executive in respect of the Draft Children's Services (Scotland) Bill which is part of the "Getting it Right for Every Child" policy initiative and seeking approval of the response to that consultation which has been prepared by West Dunbartonshire and its partner agencies.

15. THE YOUTH JUSTICE IMPROVEMENT PROGRAMME

Submit report by the Director of Social Work Services containing information on the Scottish Executive Youth Justice Improvement Programme.

**16. THE INSPECTION BY THE CARE COMMISSION OF WEST
DUNBARTONSHIRE COUNCIL'S FOSTERING AND ADOPTION
SERVICES**

Submit report by the Director of Social Work Services providing information on the outcome of the inspection of fostering and adoption services by the Scottish Commission for the Regulation of Care (The Care Commission)

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