MINUTES OF THE SCRUTINY REVIEW - TRANSITION FROM CHILDREN TO ADULT SERVICES THURSDAY, 11 FEBRUARY 2010

Councillor Adje, Allison and Newton (Chair) s

Observer Councillor None

Apologies Councillors Adje and Allison

LC15. ITEMS OF URGENT BUSINESS

There were no items of urgent business

LC16. DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

None notified

LC17. EVIDENCE SESSION:

18.1 A number of parents with young people in transition were invited to attended a meeting with the panel and outlined their experiences.

18.2 The parent of a 20 year old relayed her experiences to the panel. After arriving from Africa; her 12 year old son attended school in London Borough of Enfield even though she was a Haringey resident. Her son is severely Autistic. She felt that she had experienced a lack of support from Haringey Social Services; her son eventually received some support and was settled in his school environment. However there were issues relating to his transfer from secondary school to college as she felt that the college was not equipped to meet his needs. There was no information readily available to signposts to services she could access. The panel learned that this client would be likely to benefit from the advent of the Personalisation agenda through the use of personal budget, where the family would have the potential to influence the way they receive support.

18.3 The parent of a 16 year old autistic boy stated that she received good help and support from Haringey. Her son has benefited from multi-agency support; her son attends college in Acton and wants to teach. The family had been encouraged by all agencies involved to support him in reaching his full potential.

LC18. NEW ITEMS OF URGENT BUSINESS

There were no new items of urgent business

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Cllr Martin Newton

Chair