

COUNCIL MEETING – 23 FEBRUARY 2009

Amendment to Motion R

Delete all after ‘further notes’ in second paragraph and **insert**

- That a special public meeting of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee was held on 17 February at which key partners were present to answer questions submitted by the public and members. A number of points made by members of the Committee have now been incorporated into the plan
- The draft Action Plan has been available on the Council website and the Scrutiny Committee itself was webcast. In addition the Action Plan will be going to the Cabinet tomorrow and the HSP on Thursday. Both meetings are open to the public.

This Council welcomes:

- The setting up of a cross-party Children Safeguarding Policy and Practice Panel. The Panel will be charged with examining the effectiveness of the Council’s policies and practice relating to the safeguarding of children and will look at both quantitative and qualitative performance information. In addition the Panel will consider the effectiveness of the arrangements for co-operation on child protection matters between partner agencies. The Panel will be assisted by an independent professional with experience in child protection.
- The replacement of the Children and Young People’s Consultative Committee by a Corporate Parenting Committee with new terms of reference which focus on improving the experiences and outcomes for young people in care.
- The forthcoming consultation with young people in care about how they want a ‘Children in Care Council’ to operate in Haringey in order that they are able to express their views and influence the services and support they receive from the Council.
- The training on Safeguarding and Corporate Parenting provided for all members of the Council

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