



Briefing for:	Children's Safeguarding Policy and Performance Advisory Committee
Title:	Terms of Reference
Lead Officer:	Carolyn Banks
Date:	29 June 2010

1. To consider the terms of reference for this body for the Municipal year 2010/11

2. Background information

When this Committee was originally set up in April 2009 it was agreed that its terms of reference would be the subject to a review by the Cabinet member for Children and Young People after one year in operation. Accordingly the Cabinet Member has requested that this meeting consider the terms of reference for the Committee.

3. Summary

The Cabinet at its meeting on 15 June agreed the membership and the terms of reference as follows:-

Proposed Membership:

Councillor Rice
Councillor Amin
Councillor McNamara
Councillor Davies
Hilary Corrick (Non-Councillor Member - appointed by the Panel)

Quorum:



Haringey Council

The quorum will be three members.

Terms of Reference:

- To examine and consider the effectiveness of the Council's policies and practice, including policies and practices in schools, children's homes and children's centres, relating to the safeguarding of children.
- To examine and consider the effectiveness of the arrangements for co-operation on child protection matters between partner agencies.
- To consider the Council's policies and performance relating to safeguarding through observing practice in Haringey and obtaining the views of key stakeholders (staff, families and children /young people) to attain a qualitative understanding of safeguarding practice.
- To make recommendations on these matters to the Cabinet or Cabinet Member for Children and Young People and Director of Children and Young People's Service in taking forward improvements to safeguarding of children.

The Chair will determine the Committee's procedures and the means for conveying the Committee's views to the Cabinet but, in the event of any dispute, the outcome will be determined by the majority vote of the Committee's membership with the Chair having a casting vote.

4. Recommendation

That consideration be given to the current terms of reference and whether any changes should be recommended to Cabinet.