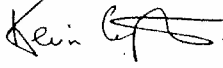


Report for:	Full Council	Item number	
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Title:	<i>Appointment of the Director of Children's and Young People's Services</i>
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Report authorised by :	Kevin Crompton, Chief Executive 
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Lead Officer:	Clifford Hart
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Ward(s) affected: N/A	Report for Key/Non Key Decision: NA
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1. Describe the issue under consideration

The appointment of the Director of Children and Young People's Services and the statutory Director of Children's Services.

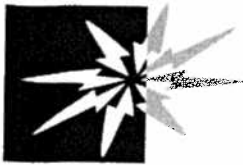
2. Recommendations

That the appointment of Libby Blake as Director of Children and Young People's Services and the statutory Director of Children's Services with effect from 14 November 2011 be noted.

3. Background information

In preparation for the expiry of the Director of Children and Young People's Services fixed term contract with the Council, a recruitment process began in July 2011 to recruit to this post.

In line with the requirements of the Council Constitution, Section K, paragraph 4, a Member appointment panel, was held in August 2011 to appoint to this Chief Officer post. Libby Blake, previously Acting Executive Director for Family and Children's Services at the Royal Borough of Kensington and Chelsea, was the successful applicant and



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has since taken up the post as Director of Children and Young People's Services.

4. Comments of the Chief Financial Officer and financial Implications

There are no perceived financial implications arising from this report.

5. Head of Legal Services and Legal Implications

Although there is no constitutional requirement to report this appointment to the Full Council, there is a statutory duty on local authorities, under section 18 Children Act 2004, to have a Director of Children's Services. Given the statutory significance of this Chief Officer position, and in line with previous practices of reporting other statutory Chief Officer posts to Full Council, it was felt prudent to report this appointment to the Full Council for noting.

6. Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985

The following papers have been used in the preparation of this report and can be inspected at River Park House, 225 High Road Wood Green, and London, N22 8HQ by contacting Clifford Hart on 020 8489 2920.

Background papers

Council Constitution, Section K, Paragraph 4, Appointment of Chief Officer and Deputy Chief Officers.