OUTSTANDING ACTIONS - CHILDREN'S SERVICES

OSC - 9th MAY 2011 - Item 8 - School Exclusions

In response to an urgent matter raised by Cllr Allison it was agreed that the Director of Children's Services would circulate a legal briefing to the Committee and Cllr Allison detailing how sensitive child protection information was shared on a need to know basis (Action No. 250.1).

The Children's Centre database was introduced relatively recently and therefore information on whether children that are now primary age accessed CC's is not comprehensive. Additionally, given the mobility levels in Haringey, some children excluded at primary and secondary age did not access early year's provision in Haringey and as yet, there is not a routine transfer of this information between boroughs.

Schools maintain the data on their fixed term exclusions and report high level information on overall numbers to the Local Authority. Given the volume – fixed term exclusions range from 1-45 days, it is not possible to maintain a central record of this child by child basis.

However, we do follow up on children that have been permanently excluded. In the current year three children from either KS1 or KS2 have been permanently excluded and none had previously attended a children's centre in Haringey.