LONDON BOROUGH OF BROMLEY

STATEMENT OF EXECUTIVE DECISION

The Portfolio Holder for Children and Young People, Councillor Ernest Noad has made the following executive decision:

OFSTED ANNUAL PERFORMANCE ASSESSMENT RATING OF BROMLEY'S CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE'S SERVICES 2011: IMPROVEMENT PLAN

Reference Report:

CYP PDS 210212 Ofsted APA Rating of Bromley's CYP Services 2011 Improvement Plan

Decision:

That the Improvement Plan be approved.

That progress made in addressing the areas for development highlighted by Ofsted following the 2011 Annual Performance Assessment be noted.

Reasons:

On Tuesday 8 November 2011, Ofsted published the outcome of the 2011 Annual Performance Assessment of Children's Services. Bromley's Children and Young People Services were awarded a rating of 'Level 3 Good - Performs Well'; a level that has been sustained for the last four years since 2008.

The Ofsted outcome report gave recognition to the performance and overall good standards achieved. Particular strengths were highlighted including the overall performance of Bromley schools, provision for vulnerable children particularly those with special educational needs and disabilities, and the Pupil Referral Service. The steady improvement achieved within Bromley's children's social care and safeguarding services was also acknowledged.

There were no areas requiring urgent action. However, Ofsted highlighted three main areas as requiring further improvement, all of which were being addressed as priorities within the Council's Children and Young People Portfolio Plan 2011/12-2012/13.

The proposed decision was scrutinised by the Children and Young People PDS Committee on 21st February 2012 and the Committee supported the proposal.

Councillor Ernest Noad
Portfolio Holder for Children and Young People

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Date of Decision: 27 Feb 2012

Implementation Date (subject to call-in): 5 Mar 2012

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