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To: Members of the  
**LOCAL JOINT CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE**

Employer's Side

Staff Side and Departmental Representatives

Councillor Russell Mellor (Chairman)  
Councillor Nicholas Bennett J.P.  
Councillor Stephen Carr  
Councillor Simon Fawthrop  
Councillor Tom Philpott  
Councillor Diane Smith  
Councillor Tim Stevens J.P.  
Councillor Michael Turner  
Councillor Angela Wilkins

Adam Jenkins, Unite  
Glenn Kelly, Staff Side Secretary  
Mary Odoi, Unite  
Kathy Smith, Unite  
Max Winters, Education & Care Services

A meeting of the Local Joint Consultative Committee will be held at Committee Room 1 - Bromley Civic Centre on **WEDNESDAY 21 OCTOBER 2015 AT 6.30 PM**

Rooms have been reserved for Members and the Staff Side to meet separately at 6pm before the meeting commences at 6.30pm. The Assistant Chief Executive (Human Resources) will be available from 6.00pm to brief Members.

MARK BOWEN  
Director of Corporate Services

**A G E N D A**

**1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND NOTIFICATION OF SUBSTITUTE MEMBERS**

**2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

To record any declarations of interest from Members present.

**3 MINUTES FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING OF THE LOCAL JOINT CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE HELD ON 16TH JUNE 2015. (Pages 3 - 8)**

**4 QUESTIONS CONCERNING THE NEW ARRANGEMENTS TO TRADE UNION FACILITY TIME**

The Staff Side would like to ask the LJCC:

Are Members aware of how the new arrangements in respect of changes to Trade Union facility time are:

- being put into practice?
- affecting staff engagement in the commissioning process?
- affecting the rights of staff to be represented?
- affecting union officials rights to engage in trade union activities and duties; e.g. attending trade union conferences?

## **5 CONTRACT MONITORING AND COMMISSIONING DECISIONS**

The Staff Side would like to ask the LJCC:

In light of the problems and risks previously highlighted with Council contracts and contract monitoring, do Bromley propose thorough reviews of the outcomes and implications of commissioning activities to date, to ensure that future commissioning decisions are informed by lessons learned?

In particular, attention is drawn to the Ombudsman warning that Councils cannot outsource accountability for social care functions--leading to Somerset Council reviewing how it monitors its contracts with third parties.

## **6 DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The Committee is requested to note that the next meeting will be held on 8<sup>th</sup> December 2015.

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