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To: Members of the
**CHILDREN, EDUCATION AND FAMILIES POLICY DEVELOPMENT AND
SCRUTINY COMMITTEE**

Councillor Kira Gabbert (Chairman)

Councillor Jonathan Andrews (Vice-Chairman)

Councillors Graeme Casey, Sophie Dunbar, Robert Evans, Hannah Gray,
Colin Hitchins, Alexa Michael, Ryan Thomson and Rebecca Wiffen

Church Representatives with Voting Rights
Reverend Roger Bristow and Vacant

Parent Governor Members with Voting Rights
Shamilah Martin, Vacant and Vacant

Non-Voting Co-opted Members

Rosie White, Non-School Representative (Early Years)

Alice Kirby, Bromley Youth Council (Part 1 Only)

Tommy Velvick, Bromley Youth Council (Part 1 Only)

A meeting of the Children, Education and Families Policy Development and Scrutiny
Committee will be held at Bromley Civic Centre, Stockwell Close, Bromley, BR1 3UH
on **THURSDAY 1 FEBRUARY 2024 AT 7.00 PM**

TASNIM SHAWKAT

Director of Corporate Services & Governance

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before the meeting.**

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wish to discuss**

A G E N D A

PART 1 (PUBLIC) AGENDA

Note for Members: Members are reminded that Officer contact details are shown on each report and Members are welcome to raise questions in advance of the meeting.

STANDARD ITEMS

1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND NOTIFICATION OF SUBSTITUTE MEMBERS

2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

3 QUESTIONS FROM COUNCILLORS AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ATTENDING THE MEETING

In accordance with the Council's Constitution, members of the public may submit one question each on matters relating to the work of the Committee. Questions must have been received in writing 10 working days before the date of the meeting - by **5.00pm on Thursday 18 January 2024.**

Questions seeking clarification of the details of a report on the agenda may be accepted within two working days of the normal publication date of the agenda – by **5.00pm on Friday 26 January 2024.**

a QUESTIONS FOR THE CHAIRMAN OF THE CHILDREN, EDUCATION AND FAMILIES PDS COMMITTEE

b QUESTIONS FOR THE CHILDREN, EDUCATION AND FAMILIES PORTFOLIO HOLDER

4 MINUTES OF THE CHILDREN, EDUCATION & FAMILIES PDS COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 22 NOVEMBER 2023 (Pages 5 - 16)

5 MATTERS OUTSTANDING AND FORWARD WORK PROGRAMME (Pages 17 - 22)

HOLDING THE PORTFOLIO HOLDER TO ACCOUNT

6 PORTFOLIO HOLDER UPDATE

7 OFSTED INSPECTION OF CHILDREN'S SERVICES (Pages 23 - 42)

8 PRE DECISION SCRUTINY OF DECISIONS FOR THE CHILDREN, EDUCATION & FAMILIES PORTFOLIO HOLDER

a 2024/25 DEDICATED SCHOOLS GRANT (DSG) (Pages 43 - 62)

9 POLICY DEVELOPMENT AND OTHER ITEMS

- a **CHILDREN, EDUCATION AND FAMILIES PORTFOLIO DRAFT BUDGET 2024/25** (Pages 63 - 84)
- b **CEF RISK REGISTER 2023/24** (Pages 85 - 90)
- c **PERFORMANCE REPORTING - CHILDREN'S SCRUTINY DATASET PART 1 (PUBLIC) REPORT** (Pages 91 - 98)
- d **DEEP DIVE: YOUTH SUPPORT AND NEET** (Pages 99 - 112)

10 CHILDREN, EDUCATION AND FAMILIES INFORMATION ITEMS

The briefing comprises:

- Contracts Activity Report

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<http://cds.bromley.gov.uk/ieListMeetings.aspx?CId=559&Year=0>

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PART 2 (CLOSED) AGENDA

11 LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972 AS AMENDED BY THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT (ACCESS TO INFORMATION) (VARIATION) ORDER 2006, AND THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000

The Chairman to move that the Press and public be excluded during consideration of the items of business listed below as it is likely in view of the nature of the business to be transacted or the nature of the proceedings that if members of the Press and public were present there would be disclosure to them of exempt information.

Items of Business

Schedule 12A Description

- 12 **EXEMPT MINUTES OF THE CHILDREN, EDUCATION & FAMILIES PDS COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 22 NOVEMBER 2023**
(Pages 113 - 114)

Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information)

13 POLICY DEVELOPMENT AND OTHER ITEMS PART 2 (EXEMPT)

**a PERFORMANCE REPORTING –
CHILDREN’S SCRUTINY DATASET PART
2 (EXEMPT) REPORT (Pages 115 - 122)**

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