

# Children & Young People Select Committee

A meeting of Children & Young People Select Committee was held on Wednesday, 3rd June, 2009.

**Present:** Cllr David Harrington (Chairman), Cllr Jim Beall, Cllr Phillip Broughton, Cllr Maurice Frankland, Cllr Miss Barbara Inman, Cllr Alan Lewis, Cllr Andrew Sherris.

**Officers:** Peter Seller (CESC); Graham Birtle, Fiona Shayler, Judith Trainer (LD); David New (R).

**Also in attendance:** Mr G Davies, Mr R G Lupton (Non Voting Co-opted Representatives).

**Apologies:** were submitted on behalf of Cllr Mick Eddy, Cllr Ann Cains, Mr Frank (Diocesan Representative), Mr D Campbell (Non voting co-opted representative), Mr Cash (Parent Governor Representative).

## 1 Declarations of Interest

Cllr Beall declared a personal/non prejudicial interest in relation to Agenda No. 3 - Review of Youth Service/Youth Provision further to being the Chairman of the Eastern Ravens Trust.

## 2 Review of Youth Service / Youth Provision

Members were provided with the Scope and the Action Plan for the review of Youth Service/Youth Provision.

The Children and Young People Select Committee had undertaken a review of Youth Provision in 2006 subsequent action plans had been produced with the latest action plan being presented on 11th February 2009. There were a number of actions that still required progressing and it was requested that these actions be added to the action plan for this latest review.

Peter Seller, Head of Strategy, was in attendance to provide an update to Members on Youth Services and Provision. It was stated that an audit of all youth services was being undertaken to provide a comprehensive list of activities and times. A review of all buildings and suitable open spaces within the Council's ownership was also required. This would then enable Officers to consider where there were any gaps in provision.

Members were informed that a young persons event had been held recently at ARC, approximately 80 young persons between the ages of 13 - 19 had attended.

A bid for capital monies to provide an iconic building for youth provision had been submitted. The funding was only for the building and youth service staff would be required to provide the delivery of services.

Members held discussion on the youth cafe in Stockton and the new youth cafe that had recently opened in Billingham.

It was stated that different ways of interacting with young people should be considered to ensure that we reach a good cross section of views.

Members requested that an invitation be sent to all Members for the meeting in August/September when this matter would be discussed next.

CONCLUDED that the information received be noted and all Members be invited to the meeting in August/September when this matter would next be discussed.

## 3 Work Programme

It was stated that Shaun McLurg and Jayne Palmer would be in attendance at the next meeting programmed for 24th June 2009.

CONCLUDED that the work programme be noted.

**4 Chair's Update**

The Chairman provided Members with a handout from Elizabeth Shassere on matters raised at last weeks meeting on Obesity.

CONCLUDED that the Chairs Update be noted.