

# **CHILDREN'S SERVICES PORTFOLIO DECISION RECORD**

17th November 2006

## **Present:**

Councillor Pam Hargreaves, Children's Services Portfolio Holder

Also Present Councillor Ray Waller, Adult and Public Health Portfolio Holder  
Councillor Frances London

Officers: Adrienne Simcock, Director of Children's Services  
Sue Johnson, Assistant Director (Planning and Service  
Integration) Children's Services  
David Cosgrove, Principal Democratic Services Officer

## **23. Manor College of Technology Foundation Status Consultation Response** *(Director of Children's Services)*

### **Type of decision**

Non-key.

### **Purpose of report**

To agree a response to be submitted to Manor College of Technology Governors in relation to their wish to investigate the possibility of seeking Foundation Status.

### **Issue(s) for consideration by Portfolio Holder**

The report summarised the process followed in relation to correspondence from Manor College of Technology, set out key aspects of Foundation Status and provided a draft response to Manor College of Technology's consultation process.

Councillor Ray Waller, Portfolio Holder for Adult and Public Health Services, commented that he was against the principle of any school in the town taking Foundation Status. Councillor Kennedy, however, indicated her support for Manor College of Technology's consideration of seeking Foundation Status.

The Portfolio Holder expressed her concern at Manor College's move to give serious consideration to seeking Foundation Status. The Portfolio Holder agreed that the draft letter set out at Appendix C should be forwarded to the College as the Council's formal response to the consultation.

**Decision**

That the proposed submission set out at Appendix C to the report be forwarded to Manor College of Technology Governors in order to meet their deadline of 5 December 2006.

**24. Children's Services Departmental Plan – Quarter 2 Progress Report** (*Director of Children's Services*)

**Type of decision**

None, the report was for information only.

**Purpose of report**

To inform the Portfolio Holder of the progress made towards achieving Children's Services Departmental Plan actions and performance indicators (PIs) for the period to 30<sup>th</sup> September 2006.

**Issue(s) for consideration by Portfolio Holder**

The report summarised progress over the second quarter of 2006/07 on the actions and performance indicators within the Children's Services Departmental Plan 2006/07 – 2008/09.

**Decision**

The Portfolio Holder noted the progress towards completing Children's Services Departmental Plan actions and achieving performance indicator targets during the second quarter of 2006/07.

**25. Local Government Access to Information**

Under Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public were excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 6 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 as amended by the Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) Order 2006.

Minute 26 – Children's Homes: Regulation 33/34 Reports - (Para 6 – Information relating to the adoption, care, fostering or education of a particular child)

**26. Children's Homes: Regulation 33/34 Reports (Para 6)**  
(Director of Children's Services)

**Type of decision**

For information

**Purpose of report**

To present the Regulation 33/34 (formerly Regulation 22) report of visits to the authority's Children's Home.

**Issue(s) for consideration by Portfolio Holder**

The report covered the month of September 2006.

**Decision**

The Portfolio Holder received and noted the report.

**J A BROWN**

**CHIEF SOLICITOR**

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