

REPORT TO: Children and Young People Policy and Performance Board

DATE: 4th June 2009

REPORTING OFFICER: Strategic Director, Children and Young People

SUBJECT: The relationship between the Children and Young People Policy and Performance Board and the Dioceses of Chester and Liverpool

WARDS: Boroughwide

1.0 PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

1.1 To enable a representative from the Dioceses of Chester and Liverpool to be appointed to the Children and Young People's Policy and Performance Board.

2.0 RECOMMENDATION: That

(1) the Executive Board and Full Council be requested to agree the appointment of two Dioceses representatives for Chester and Liverpool, as voting co-optees on the Policy and Performance Board for a period of four years, commencing from the date approval is given.

3.0 SUPPORTING INFORMATION

- Under a Direction issued by the Secretary of State authorities must appoint diocesan representatives to Scrutiny Committees under s499 Education Act 1996 and DfEE Circular 19/99 all as amended. These representatives will have voting rights in relation to any decision relating to: - schools maintained by the LA, pupils who attend schools maintained by the LA or are educated by the LA in some way but not the other business of the Committee. This is to enable denominations to have a direct input to policies on education provision for pupils of school age
- The Dioceses of Chester and Liverpool are therefore entitled to nominate representatives to sit on the Children and Young People's Policy and Performance Board
- At present this position is vacant however a name for this position has been submitted, Joyce Dippnall
- Operating as an independent representative the views of the Dioceses will be expressed

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1 The Dioceses of Chester and Liverpool fulfil their right to a representative on the Children and Young People Policy and Performance Board

4.0 OTHER IMPLICATIONS

- 5.1 None applicable.

5.0 IMPLICATIONS FOR THE COUNCIL'S PRIORITIES

Children and Young People in Halton

- 6.1 Establishing a formal relationship between the Dioceses and Children and Young People PPB will strengthen the Council's ability to monitor and review progress on priorities.

Employment, Learning and Skills in Halton

- 6.2 None applicable.

A Healthy Halton

- 6.3 . None applicable

A Safer Halton

- 6.4 None applicable.

Halton's Urban Renewal

- 6.5 None applicable.

6.0 RISK ANALYSIS

- 7.1 Failure to respond appropriately to requests for information and referrals would result in the CYP PPB contravening current legislation.

7.0 EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY ISSUES

- 8.1 The procedures and processes described in this report will enable a much broader range of people to contribute and influence scrutiny and commissioning decisions.

8.0 LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS UNDER SECTION 100D OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972

9.1 There are no background papers under the meaning of the Act.