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To: All Members of the Early Years, Children and Youth Policy Development and Scrutiny Panel

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Co-opted Non-Voting Members: Chris Batten, Peter Mountstephen and Andrea Arlidge

Cabinet Member for Early Years, Children & Youth: Councillor Dine Romero

Chief Executive and other appropriate officers
Press and Public

Dear Member

Early Years, Children and Youth Policy Development and Scrutiny Panel: Monday, 24th September, 2012

You are invited to attend a meeting of the **Early Years, Children and Youth Policy Development and Scrutiny Panel**, to be held on **Monday, 24th September, 2012 at 4.30 pm** in the **Council Chamber - Guildhall, Bath**.

The agenda is set out overleaf.

Yours sincerely



Mark Durnford
for Chief Executive

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September, 2012**

at 4.30 pm in the Council Chamber - Guildhall, Bath

A G E N D A

1. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

2. EMERGENCY EVACUATION PROCEDURE

The Chair will draw attention to the emergency evacuation procedure as set out under Note 6.

3. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND SUBSTITUTIONS

4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

At this point in the meeting declarations of interest are received from Members in any of the agenda items under consideration at the meeting. Members are asked to indicate:

(a) The agenda item number in which they have an interest to declare.

(b) The nature of their interest.

(c) Whether their interest is **a disclosable pecuniary interest** or an **other interest**,
(as defined in Part 2, A and B of the Code of Conduct and Rules for Registration of Interests)

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5. TO ANNOUNCE ANY URGENT BUSINESS AGREED BY THE CHAIRMAN

6. ITEMS FROM THE PUBLIC OR COUNCILLORS - TO RECEIVE DEPUTATIONS, STATEMENTS, PETITIONS OR QUESTIONS RELATING TO THE BUSINESS OF THIS MEETING

At the time of publication no notifications had been received.

7. MINUTES - 9TH JULY 2012 (Pages 7 - 18)

8. EXAM RESULTS - KEY STAGE 2 / KEY STAGE 4 / A LEVEL

The Panel will receive a verbal update on this item from the Head of School Improvement and Achievement.

9. FAMILY INTERVENTION PROJECT

The Panel will receive a briefing on this item from the Youth Offending Team Service Manager.

10. PERMANENT SCHOOL EXCLUSIONS (Pages 19 - 22)

The purpose of this report is to provide members with an overview of permanent exclusions of pupils from school and to ascertain if there is any impact on the numbers of permanent exclusions as a result of secondary schools converting to academies.

11. ADOPTION ACTION PLAN (Pages 23 - 28)

This is a briefing report for members on the proposals within the Department for Education document An Action Plan for Adoption: Tackling Delay, and an outline of the preparations the Council's Children's Service has made in anticipation of these, and further proposals to be published later in the year.

12. CABINET MEMBER UPDATE

This item gives the Panel an opportunity to ask questions to the Cabinet Member and for her to update them on any current issues.

13. PEOPLE & COMMUNITIES STRATEGIC DIRECTOR'S BRIEFING

The Panel will receive a verbal update on this item from the People and Communities Strategic Director.

14. PANEL WORKPLAN (Pages 29 - 40)

This report presents the latest Policy Development & Scrutiny Workplan for the Panel.

The Committee Administrator for this meeting is Mark Durnford who can be contacted on 01225 394458.