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

18th March 2013

Councillors: Sally Davis, Ian Gilchrist, Liz Hardman, Mathew Blankley, David Veale, Loraine Morgan-Brinkhurst MBE and Sarah Bevan

Co-opted Voting Members: David Williams, Mrs T Daly and Sanjeev Chaddha

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

Cabinet Member for Early Years, Children and 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, 25th March, 2013

You are invited to attend a meeting of the Early Years, Children and Youth Policy Development and Scrutiny Panel, to be held on Monday, 25th March, 2013 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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at 4.30 pm in the Council Chamber - Guildhall, Bath

AGENDA

- 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 UNDER THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972

Members who have an interest to declare are asked to:

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- c) Whether the interest is personal, or personal and prejudicial

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- 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 - JANUARY 28TH 2013 (Pages 7 - 18)

8. HOME TO SCHOOL TRANSPORT REVIEW - CABINET MEMBER RESPONSE (Pages 19 - 26)

The Recommendations Response Table is enclosed to show the Panel the Cabinet Member's response. The notes of the Chairman's visit to St. Gregory's School are also attached as an annex.

9. VIRTUAL SCHOOLS UPDATE (Pages 27 - 28)

10. ACADEMIES AND SERVICES TO SCHOOLS (Pages 29 - 32)

This report provides a further update on the dialogue between the Department and local schools, regarding future collaborative arrangements and the delivery of services.

11. SECTOR LED IMPROVEMENT

TO FOLLOW – This report was not ready at the time of agenda despatch.

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 AND 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 33 - 44)

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.