



TRAFFORD COUNCIL

Tuesday, 2 July 2019

Trafford Town Hall
Talbot Road
Stretford
M32 0TH

Dear Councillor,

Your attendance is requested at an Extraordinary Meeting of the Council of the Borough of Trafford on **WEDNESDAY, 10 JULY 2019**, at **7.00 P.M.** in the **COUNCIL CHAMBER, TRAFFORD TOWN HALL, TALBOT ROAD, STRETFORD**, for the transaction of the business set out below:

1. **Children's Social Care**

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In accordance with Procedure Rule 3 of the Council's Constitution, an Extraordinary Meeting of the Council has been called to consider the following Motion:

"This Council notes the very worrying judgement by Ofsted of 'Inadequate' following a Children's Services inspection in March 2019.

This marked change in performance, especially in relation to leadership and governance, follows a previous focused Ofsted visit in July 2018 which noted:

"Internal expertise has been utilised well to provide stability, consistency and a continued focus to improve service delivery for children and their families. Leaders understand the strengths and weakness of their services and use this knowledge well to identify areas for development."

Council therefore considers it irrefutable that a deterioration in leadership and governance to 'inadequate' has occurred in less than twelve months. In light of this and regrettably, Council considers that it is untenable for the former Executive Member for Children's Services to continue to serve in another important role on the Executive of the Council.

The Council welcomes the appointment of the Deputy Leader of the Council to the portfolio and requests she outlines within six weeks to the Children and Young People's Scrutiny Committee detailed remediation plans. The Council commits itself to work across party to support the required turnaround.

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The Council calls for the immediate reinstatement of the Lead Member for Safeguarding, to ensure a cross directorate focus remains on this vital subject.

Finally, the Council places on record its continued support and admiration for the tremendous hard work of all the staff in Children's Social Services under difficult circumstances."

Yours sincerely,



SARA TODD
Chief Executive

Membership of the Council

Councillors R. Chilton (Mayor), L. Walsh (Deputy Mayor), D. Acton, S. Adshead, A. Akinola, S.B. Anstee, Dr. K. Barclay, J. Baugh, J. Bennett, Miss L. Blackburn, R. Bowker, C. Boyes, J. E. Brophy, B. Brotherton, D. Bunting, D. Butt, T. Carey, Dr. S. Carr, K.G. Carter, C.H. Churchill, G. Coggins, M. Cordingley, J. Dillon, A. Duffield, N. Evans, M. Freeman, Mrs. D.L. Haddad, J. Harding, B. Hartley, J. Holden, C. Hynes, D. Jarman, D. Jerrome, P. Lally, J. Lamb, J. Lloyd, S. Longden, M. Minnis, A. Mitchell, D. Morgan, P. Myers, A. New, J.D. Newgrosh, E. Patel, K. Procter, S.B. Procter, B. Rigby, T. Ross, B. Shaw, J. Slater, E.W. Stennett, S. Taylor, S. Thomas, R. Thompson, M.J. Welton, A. Western, D. Western, G. Whitham, A.M. Whyte, A.J. Williams, B.G. Winstanley, J.A. Wright and Mrs. P. Young.

Further Information

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