

## Schools Forum

### Urgency Sub-Committee

**Minutes of meeting held on Wednesday, 21<sup>st</sup> July, 2010 at 4.00 p.m. at Education Development Centre, Pelsall Lane, Rushall, Walsall**

**Present:-** Mr. J. Baker (Ex-officio)  
Ms. H. Lomas  
Mr. S. Flynn

**In Attendance:-** Ms. J. Taylor (Walsall Children's Services - Serco)

		Action
<b>1. 21.7.10</b>	<b>Apology</b>  An apology for non-attendance was submitted on behalf of Mr. A. Davies.	
<b>2. 21.7.10</b>	<b>Appointment of Chairman</b>  That Mr. J. Baker be appointed Chairman of the Urgency Sub-Committee for the duration of the meeting.	
<b>3. 21.7.10</b>	<b>Local Government (Access to Information) Act, 1985 (as amended)</b>  There were no items which the Sub-Committee considered should be dealt with in private session.	
<b>4. 14.7.09</b>	<b>Request for funding for the part-time post of Next Practice Network Group</b>  Papers had been circulated prior to the meeting.  A number of issues, including employment rights and school funding regulations were discussed.  Ms. Taylor informed the Sub-Committee that the contract output specification made provision for a bid writer on a buy-back basis only. Members expressed concern that, if agreed, a precedent could be created.	

	<p><b>Resolved</b></p> <p>(1) That although the good work of the external fundraiser is recognised, Schools Forum is unable to fund a part-time post;</p> <p>(2) That Walsall Children's Services - Serco be requested to look into the provision of a traded service for schools to buy into.</p>	
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The meeting terminated at 4.20 p.m.