



Health, Social Care and Inclusion Scrutiny and Performance Panel

Meeting to be held on:

THURSDAY 26 MARCH 2009 at 6PM

Your attendance is requested at the above meeting, which will be held at the Council House.

A list of the items of business to be considered at the meeting, together with any supporting papers is enclosed. Please bring the papers with you to the meeting.

MEMBERSHIP:

Chair:	Councillor Oliver
Vice-Chair:	Councillor Ault
Councillors:	Councillor Bird Councillor Carpenter Councillor Mushtaq Councillor Paul Councillor Barton Councillor Robertson Councillor Woodruff

PORTFOLIO HOLDER: Councillor McCracken – Social Care, Health and Housing

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ITEMS FOR BUSINESS

1.	Apologies To receive apologies for absence from Members of the Panel	
2.	Substitutions To receive notice of any substitutions for a Member of the Panel for the duration of the meeting	
3.	Declarations of interest and party whip To receive declarations of interest or the party whip from Members in respect of items on the agenda.	
4.	Minutes of previous meeting To approve and sign the minutes of the meeting of 12 February 2009	<u>Enclosed</u> 3 - 10
5.	Forward Plan To consider the Forward Plan of Key Decisions issued on 9 March 2009	<u>Enclosed</u> 11 - 17
6.	Links to Work To receive the report updating Members on options for the future of the service	<u>Enclosed</u> 18 - 26
7.	Merger of Young Adults and Disability Service To receive the report, setting out progress to date with the merger of the Younger Adults & Disabled Services and the Integrated Learning Disability Service to form a new Division – Disability Services	<u>Enclosed</u> 27 - 30
8.	Local Involvement Networks (LINKs): Contract update To update Scrutiny on progress made in implementing Walsall's Local Involvement Network (LINK) through the appointed host organisation, The Carers Federation. It is proposed to take a report to Cabinet recommending termination of the contract with the current host and seeking approval on the way forward for the Walsall LINK.	<u>Enclosed</u> 31 - 34
9.	Disability Facilities Grant Assistance Update To receive an update report on the current budget position	<u>Presentation</u>
10.	Social Care Complaints – Learning and key changes under the regulations To receive a presentation on the types of complaints and new regulations governing complaints	<u>Presentation</u>
11.	Performance Monitoring Quarter 3 (October – December 2008); and Update for Quarter 4 To receive an update report on the quarterly scorecard	<u>Enclosed</u> 35 - 49
12.	Walsall Partnership – LAA target refresh update and proposed future report To receive an update report and proposals for the Panel to receive six-monthly reports on Walsall Partnership areas of responsibility	<u>Enclosed</u> 50 - 58
13.	Community alarms, Assistive Technology and Telecare Opportunity for discussion on the use of support mechanisms in our community	<u>Discussion</u>
14.	Accord Housing Association: Lift maintenance at Old Vicarage Close To receive a final update on the programme of lift maintenance.	<u>Enclosed</u> 59
15.	Date of next meeting To be set at annual adjourned Council on 20 May along with panel remits and membership.	