



Leicester
City Council

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Minutes of the Meeting of the
CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Held: TUESDAY, 7 JULY 2009 at 5.30pm

PRESENT

Councillor Corrall – Chair
Councillor Bajaj – Vice-Chair

Councillor Johnson
Councillor Shah (for Cllr Newcombe)

Councillor Naylor
Councillor Suleman

Co-opted Members

Mr Michael Asquith - Church of England Diocese
Mr Mohammed - Parent Governor (Primary /Special
Needs)
Alauddin Al-Azad -

Also In Attendance

Councillor Dempster Cabinet Lead Member for Children and Schools.

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**21. CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE'S CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2009/10 -
2010/11 SURE START CHILDREN'S CENTRES - PHASE 3 SITE OPTIONS
APPRAISAL**

The Strategic Director, Children, submitted a report that informed the Committee of the work undertaken on the Options appraisal and made recommendations for the location of the five centres.

Mel Meggs, Head of Early Prevention introduced the report and stated that the report recommended locations for the five centres that had previously been approved by Cabinet on 11 May 2009.

In terms of the locations of the centres, Mel explained that consultation had taken place with ward councillors in order to establish the most suitable buildings to use. The proposed buildings for use were detailed as Landsdown Neighbourhood Centre for Aylestone and Knighton Fields, Alderman Richard Hallam School for Abbey Lane/Anstey Lane, Highfields Sure Start/St Saviours Link Site for Charnwood/Green Lane Road, the Mayfield Family Centre for

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Stoneygate and Kestrel Fields School for Hamilton.

Members thanked officers for conducting an excellent consultation process. A Member of the Board was particularly please that a centre was to be located in Stoneygate, as it would represent the first community facility within the ward. The Mayfield Centre was seen as the preferred location, though it was felt that Uplands Primary School was not an appropriate reserve venue as it was located in the Spinney Hills Ward and was not viable for many residents in Stoneygate.

Councillor Dempster, Cabinet Member for Children and Schools thanked the officers who had compiled the programme and also commended the process of consultation that took place. She felt that it was of fundamental importance that outreach work was provided from all centres.

RESOLVED:

That the report be noted and that the recommendations for Cabinet be endorsed.