



Leicester  
City Council

MINUTE EXTRACT

Minutes of the Meeting of the  
OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY MANAGEMENT BOARD  
Held: THURSDAY, 7 MAY 2009 at 5.30pm

P R E S E N T :

Councillor Mugglestone – Chair

Councillor Corral	Councillor Hall
Councillor Naylor	Councillor Potter (for Cllr Joshi)
Councillor Newcombe (for Cllr J.Blackmore)	Councillor Russell
Councillor Suleman	

Co-opted Members

Mr Michael Asquith – Church of England Diocese

Also In Attendance

Councillor Dempster  
Cabinet Lead Member for Children,  
and Schools.

**1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors J. Blackmore, Follett, Joshi, and Westley, Jess Evans, Rebecca Barrow and Michael Asquith, Church of England Diocese.

**2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Members were asked to declare any interests they may have in the business on the agenda, and/or indicate that Section 106 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992 applies to them.

Councillor Naylor declared a non-prejudicial interest in Appendix C 'Options Review: Riverside Business and Enterprise College' as he was part of an organisation which used land at the college for its activities.

**7. SURE START CAPITAL STRATEGY 2008-2013**

The Interim Corporate Director, Children and Young People's Services submitted a report that informed the Board of the work undertaken to date and proposed how funds may best be deployed to meet the government requirements and contribute to the 'One-Leicester' vision.

The Head of Service, Early Prevention, introduced the report and explained that the key principles of the Capital Strategy were to

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improve the early years quality and access for all young children and deliver five children's' centres in phase 3 of the programme.

It was stated that upon completion of phase 3 of the programme, all children will have access to a children centre service and those children living in the most disadvantaged areas will have one within pram pushing distance

Members welcomed the report and the provision of facilities in areas such as Evington Road and Hamilton. One Member of the Board asked officers to continually liaise with ward councillors in terms of the five new centres. One Member recommended that the Mayfield Centre be considered for the centre based in the Spinney Hills including Evington Road area.

A Member of the Board stressed for the need of an outdoor play environment within each of the five new centres.

RESOLVED:

That the Sure Start Capital Strategy 2008-2013 be noted.