

ROYAL BOROUGH OF KENSINGTON AND CHELSEA
Meeting of the Council – 28 June 2006
Item 6 – Submissions from the Cabinet

1. DRAFT CHILDREN AND YOUNG PERSON'S PLAN

- 1.1 The Cabinet at its meeting on 15 June considered the Council's draft Children and Young Person's Plan, attached as appendix (iii). This is now submitted to full Council for approval and adoption in accordance with Standing Order 20.
- 1.2 Children and Young People's Plans were introduced by the Children Act 2004 as part of the Government's wider *Every Child Matters* agenda to transform children's services and they replace a plethora of previous planning requirements including the Education Development Plan and the Children's Services Plan. Since this plan replaces three former plans listed in the Council's Constitution as part of the Council's budgetary and policy framework, approval needs to be made by full Council.
- 1.3 The preparation of the plan has been overseen by the Family and Children's Strategic Partnership which includes representatives of all the main partners responsible for delivering children's services. Three groups of young people were consulted about the original version and produced reports for the OSC and the Council meeting. Changes to the plan have been made in the light of these comments. The plan has also been informed by the many consultations with parents, children and young people held in recent years. The main messages from parents and children are drawn out more fully in the new draft. The draft presented for approval is the 'raw' text and lacks the design and photographs which will appear in the final version.
- 1.4 The plan attached incorporates amendments that were made at the Cabinet meeting together with minor clarifications and amplifications based on previous comments. .

Recommendation

- 1.5 The Council is **RECOMMENDED** to approve and adopt the draft Children and Young People's Plan.

FOR DECISION

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Leader of the Council

Background Papers:
None

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