

## **Children and Young People Overview and Scrutiny Committee**

### **Minutes of the meeting held on 2 February 2010**

#### **Present:**

Councillor Cox – In the Chair

Councillors Ali, Ankers, Carmody, Cooper, Eakins, Fisher, Keller, Parkinson, Sandiford and Tavernor.

#### **Co-opted Voting Members:**

Mr D Arnold – King David Schools

Canon R Chow – Diocese of Manchester

Rev Fr T Hopkins – Diocese of Salford

Mrs J Reid – Elected Parent Governor

Mrs T Sheikh - Elected Parent Governor

#### **Co-opted Non-Voting Members:**

Mrs L Lundy – Elected Teacher Representative (Primary)

Mr S Marciniak – Elected Teacher Representative (Secondary)

#### **Apologies:**

Councillors Harrison, Judge, M Murphy, S Newman

Mrs R Kennedy

### **CYP/10/07 Postponement of Standing Items**

As the Committee was hosting an event with young people, members agreed to postpone the consideration of the minutes of the meeting on 5 January 2010 and the Committee's Information and Overview Report until the next meeting.

#### **Decision**

To postpone the minutes of the meeting on 5 January 2010 and the Committee's Information and Overview Report until the next meeting

### **CYP/10/08 Event: Images and Perceptions of Young People**

The Committee hosted an event to showcase some of the achievements of groups of young people in Manchester and to discuss images and perceptions of young people with these groups and local media professionals. The event was introduced by Danny Robinson and Naomi MacDonald, Young Advisers for the City Council.

The Committee welcomed young people from the European Children's Summit in Germany, the Coalition for Disabled Young People, the Hideaway Project 'Meet the Somalis', Manchester Music Services, a young volunteer from Manchester Leisure, the Care to Change Council and Young Identity. The Committee also welcomed two adults who had been involved in the Proud of Manchester Campaign who spoke about their relationship with young people in their neighbourhood. The groups

delivered presentations demonstrating the positive activities they had been involved in and gave poetry and musical performances.

Young people involved in the groups and members of the Committee then put questions about perceptions and images of young people to a panel. The panel consisted of Maria McGeoghan, Editor of the Manchester Evening News, John Pickford, Head of News and Sport at Key 103, Richard Turner, Editor of the BBC Manchester website, Councillor Cox, Chair of the Committee and Pauline Newman, the Council's Director of Children's Services.

At the end of the event, the Chair thanked the young people who had attended and contributed to the event, the media professionals on the panel and the organisers of the event.

### **Decision**

To thank the young people who had attended and contributed to the event, the media professionals on the panel and the organisers of the event and to request that a report outlining the views expressed and the commitments made be submitted to the Committee's next meeting.