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AGENDA ITEM NO 25

REPORT OF DIRECTOR OF SOCIAL SERVICES

SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE
12 NOVEMBER 1990

MANAGEMENT OF THE CHILD PROTECTION SYSTEM

Ward Affected: All

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It is considered that the Committee are likely to exclude the public during the item to which this report relates because the following exempt information would be disclosed:

Information relating to any consultations or negotiations, or contemplated consultations or negotiations, in connection with any labour relations matter arising between the Authority or a Minister of the Crown and employees of, or office holders under, the Authority.

Purpose of Report

- 1.1 To inform Committee of the agreement reached between the officers of the Social Services Department and the National Society of the Prevention of Cruelty to Children (NSPCC) that the Social Services Department should assume responsibility for the management of the multi-disciplinary child protection system in Rochdale.
- 2 Recommendations
 - 2.1 That Committee approves the assumption of responsibility by the Social Services Department as from 1 May 1990, of the Management of the multi-disciplinary Child Protection System;
 - 2.2 Committee refer to:
 - i) Finance Strategy Sub-Committee the recommendation that an additional sum of £89,200 be included in the Department's budget for 1991/92 to meet the additional costs of assuming responsibility for the child protection system;
 - ii) Personnel Committee the recommendation that the posts necessary to staff a Child Protection Unit be established;
 - 2.3 That the post of Child Protection Manager be established prior to 1 April 1991, and the Director identifying the resources necessary to finance such a post from the Department's Budget for the current financial year;
 - 2.4 That estimates be acquired for the building works necessary to accommodate the proposed Child Protection Unit at Foxholes Resource Centre, and the resources be identified in the Department's Capital and Minor Works Programme to enable this work to commence in the current financial year.

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