

## **NOTE TO APPLICANTS**

### **DISCLOSURE AND BARRING SERVICE**

You will be aware that the post you are applying for involves you working with either children or vulnerable adults. It is therefore a post covered by the Rehabilitation of Offenders (Exceptions) Act 1975 and is a post regulated by the Disclosure and Barring Service.

If you are successful, you will be required to apply to the Disclosure and Barring Service for a 'disclosure', to confirm any records held, prior to any final appointment decision being made by the School/Authority. (Access to the on-line disclosure application system will be provided to you to enable you to apply at the appropriate time.)

Once your on-line disclosure application has been completed it will be forwarded to the Disclosure and Barring Service, who will undertake a check which will include:

- Details of convictions, including those 'spent' under the Act stated above.
- Cautions, etc and (where appropriate) whether you are included on one of the barred lists preventing you from working with children and/or vulnerable adults
- Where appropriate, information taken from police records that a chief officer of a police force considers relevant to the application.

NB. A conviction is not necessarily a bar to recruitment, unless the Authority considers that the conviction renders you unsuitable for appointment. In making this decision, consideration will be given to the nature of the offence, how long ago and what age you were when it was committed and any other factors which may be relevant.

It is an offence for an individual who has been disqualified from working with children to knowingly apply for, offer to do, or accept or do any work in a regulated position.

An individual is disqualified from working with children/vulnerable adults if he/she is included on one of the lists of those disqualified from working with children and/or vulnerable adults.