



***Delegated Decisions by Cabinet Member for Children,  
Education & Families***

***Monday, 3 November 2014 at 12.00 pm in Meeting Room 1  
County Hall, Oxford***

***Items for Decision***

The items for decision under individual Cabinet Members' delegated powers are listed overleaf, with indicative timings, and the related reports are attached. Decisions taken will become effective at the end of the working day on 11 November 2014 unless called in by that date for review by the appropriate Scrutiny Committee.

Copies of the reports are circulated (by e-mail) to all members of the County Council.

**These proceedings are open to the public**

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Note: Date of next meeting: 8 December 2014

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## Items for Decision

1. **Declarations of Interest**
2. **Questions from County Councillors**

Any county councillor may, by giving notice to the Proper Officer by 9 am two working days before the meeting, ask a question on any matter in respect of the Cabinet Member's delegated powers.

The number of questions which may be asked by any councillor at any one meeting is limited to two (or one question with notice and a supplementary question at the meeting) and the time for questions will be limited to 30 minutes in total. As with questions at Council, any questions which remain unanswered at the end of this item will receive a written response.

Questions submitted prior to the agenda being despatched are shown below and will be the subject of a response from the appropriate Cabinet Member or such other councillor or officer as is determined by the Cabinet Member, and shall not be the subject of further debate at this meeting. Questions received after the despatch of the agenda, but before the deadline, will be shown on the Schedule of Addenda circulated at the meeting, together with any written response which is available at that time.

3. **Petitions and Public Address**
4. **Alteration of Upper Age Limit at Icknield Community College, Watlington** (Pages 1 - 34)

*Forward Plan Ref:* 2014/110

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Report by Director for Children's Services (**CMDCEF4**).

This proposal is led by the Governing Body of Icknield Community College. The proposal is to establish a Sixth Form at the College from September 2015.

A consultation and a statutory notice period have now run their course and this report summarises the procedure followed and outcomes of it.

In order to do so, the College's upper age limit must be altered from 16 to 19. This requires a decision to be made by Cabinet Member for Children, Education & Families acting for the Local Authority.

The decision-making power in terms of determining the notice lies with the Cabinet or can be delegated to the Cabinet Member for Children, Education & Families. In meeting as 'decision-maker' the Cabinet or Cabinet Member must have regard to government guidance and statutory timescales otherwise a decision can be referred to the independent Schools' Adjudicator for reconsideration. The decision must be made within 2 months of the close of the notice period; as a consequence, the Chairman of the Council has determined that the decision cannot be subject to 'call-

in' as this would, in most cases, prevent a decision being finalised within the required timescale and mean that the Cabinet's role would be negated by referral to the Schools' Adjudicator.

***The Cabinet Member is RECOMMENDED to approve the extension of the age range at Icknield Community College to include post-16 provision.***

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