

Delegated Decisions by Cabinet Member for Children, Education & Families

Monday, 18 January 2016 at 12.00 pm 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 26 January 2016 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.

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Note: Date of next meeting: 29 February 2016

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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. Proposed Expansion of Chilton Primary School (Pages 1 - 10)

Forward Plan Ref: 2015/092

Contact: Diane Cameron, School Organisation & Planning Tel: (01865) 816445

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

This is a school-led proposal from the Governing Body of Chilton Primary School to increase the formal published admission number from 30 to 45, on a permanent basis starting from September 2016. This will eventually increase the school's total capacity from its current 210 places in year groups Reception – Year 6 to a maximum of 315.

The objective of the proposal is to provide sufficient primary school places for Chilton village and its surrounding area, enabling the Local Authority to meet its statutory duty in this regard. The school has been working closely with the council in preparing its proposal and a feasibility study is ongoing.

In September 2015, not all in-catchment children who wanted a Reception place at the school were able to be offered one, due in part to local housing development. Expansion of this school (and possibly in future, expansion of Harwell Community Primary School nearby) is expected to be necessary to meet the needs of the growing local population.

The decision on this proposal lies with the Governing Body, which will make its formal decision at its meeting on 4th February 2016. Following the consultation, governors now seek formal support for their proposal from the Cabinet Member for Children, Education & Families to cement the joint working with the county council already taking place on this proposal.

The Cabinet Member is RECOMMENDED to support the proposed expansion of Chilton Primary School.

5. Formal Approval of School Funding Formula for 2016-2017 (Pages 11 - 16)

Forward Plan Ref: 2015/111 Contact: Gillian McKee, Finance Business Partner (Children, Education & Families) Tel: (01865) 323920

Report by Director for Children's Services (CMDCEF5).

The final funding formula for schools and academies for 2016-2017 needs to be formally approved politically before submission to the DfE by 21 January. Schools Forum has been consulted in development of the funding formula for 2016-17 as a statutory consultee, but the decision on the final formula is made by the local authority, after considering Schools Forum views.

The Cabinet Member for Children, Education & Families is RECOMMENDED to approve the final funding formula for 2016-17.