



Notification to all Members of the council of decisions by the

Issued by the Head of Customer, Community & Democratic Services

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The details set out below will be published in the next Members' Information Service, but in the meantime are notified to all Councillors in accordance with Rule 15(a) of the Policy and Review Panels Procedure Rules

The following decisions have been taken by the Cabinet (or individual Cabinet members) and will be implemented unless the call-in procedure is activated. Rule 15 of the Policy and Review Procedure Rules requires a call-in notice to be signed by any 5 members of the Council. The call-in request must be made to JOANNE WILDSMITH (Democratic Support Officer) and must be made by not later than 5pm on 23 January 2019.

If you want to know more about a proposal, please contact the officer indicated. You can also see the report(s) on the Council's web site at www.portsmouth.gov.uk

	WARD	DECISION	OFFICER CONTACT
		Cabinet Member for Education Decision Meeting - 16 January The cabinet Member has made the following decisions:-	David Penrose 02392 834870 David.Penrose@portsmouthcc.gov.uk
2	All Wards	2019-20 School Funding Arrangements and Dedicated Schools Grant Budget DECISIONS: That the Cabinet Member a) Approved the determination of the 2019-20 schools budget (including the individual schools budgets) shown at Appendix 1, together with the supporting explanations contained within this report. b) Endorsed the amount of the growth fund for 2019-20 at £754,400 c) Approved the proposed changes to the mainstream schools revenue funding formula as set out in section 6. d) Approved the school revenue funding pro-forma at Appendix 6 for submission to the ESFA on the 21 January 2019.	Beverley Pennekett, Interim Finance Manager

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		<p>e) Approved the 2019-20 Special school, Inclusion Centre and Alternative Provision places as set out in Appendix 4</p> <p>f) The decision to approve the 2019-20 Element 3 Top-up rates for Special Schools, Inclusion Centres, Alternative Provision settings and for Children with Education, Health and Care Plans (EHCPs) in mainstream schools as set out in Appendix 5 was deferred to the next meeting</p> <p>g) Approved the proposal that any carry-forward balances from 2018-19 be used to assist with the continued introduction of the funding reform changes and fund any potential financial pressures arising during 2019-20.</p> <p>h) Approved the local funding arrangements in respect of the 2, 3 and 4 year old early years provision for 2019-20 as set out in section 8 and Appendix 3</p>	
3	All Wards	<p>Proposal to close Willows Centre for Children - outcome of pre-statutory consultation</p> <p>DECISIONS:</p> <p>That the Cabinet Member</p> <p>a) considered the responses to the pre-statutory consultation carried out on the proposal to close Willows Centre for Children but to continue to deliver the specialist provision provided by Willows as part of an expanded Clifffdale Primary Academy.</p> <p>b) authorised the Director for Children, Families and Education to proceed to the publication and representation stages of the statutory process to close Willows Centre for Children.</p>	Julia Katherine, Inclusion Commissioning Manager
4	All Wards	<p>Early Years SEND Funding Review</p> <p>DECISIONS:</p> <p>The Cabinet Member approved the following changes to funding and support for early years children with SEND:</p> <p>1. Commission places for early years children with complex SEND through a specialist provision at Clifffdale Primary Academy (subject to the conclusion of the current consultation on the closure of Willows Nursery School).</p>	Anthony Harper, Early Help and Prevention Locality Manager (South) & Early Years and Childcare Manager

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		<p>2. Establish a single funding stream for mainstream early years providers which has 2 elements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • a flexible 'complex needs' funding stream (<i>EY Inclusion Fund - Enhanced</i>) where funding will follow the child to the setting of their parent's choice. This element will be funded through the DSG High-Needs Block, using the funding released from the proposed closure of Willows Nursery School • a refocussed Early Years Inclusion Fund (<i>EY Inclusion Fund - Core</i>) which supports children with 'low and emerging' needs, in-line with Statutory Guidance. This is already funded from the Early Years Block. <p>3. Subject to consultation with the current service providers, refocus the allocation of funding to early years outreach on a resource which can consistently deliver practical support and role modelling to settings across the spectrum of needs. A SEND outreach officer role will be managed either through the Early Years Area SENCO team or Portage Plus.</p> <p>4. Review existing training and development opportunities for mainstream early years providers to ensure they meet the needs of children and the settings they access.</p>	
5	All Wards	<p>School Organisation Suite of Documents</p> <p>DECISIONS:</p> <p>The Cabinet Member approved the suite of School Organisation documents, which underpin the council's approach to ensuring sufficient school places in the city.</p>	Caroline Corcoran, Head of Sufficiency, Participation and Resources