CABINET MEMBER FOR CHILDREN, FAMILIES AND EDUCATION

RECORD OF DECISIONS of the meeting of the Cabinet Member for Children, Families and Education held on Thursday, 18 February 2021 at 4.00 pm at the Guildhall, Portsmouth

Present

Councillor Suzy Horton (in the Chair)

Councillors Terry Norton
Jeanette Smith
Judith Smyth

Apologies for Absence

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There were no apologies for absence.

7. Declarations of Interests

Councillor Horton declared a personal, non-prejudicial interest as she is a governor at Craneswater Junior School. Councillor Norton declared a personal, non-prejudicial interest as he is employed at Mayfield School through a cover agency, his partner is employed at Mayfield School and his daughter attends it. Councillor Smith declared a personal, non-prejudicial interest as she is a paid official for Hampshire branch UNISON and represents support staff in Hampshire schools.

8. 2020-21 Early Years Providers Covid-19 Additional Grant, Spring 2021

The report was introduced by Angela Mann, Finance Manager.

Councillor Horton said that anything that could be done to help the early years sector through this difficult time would be welcomed. Cllr Horton also said that she was really pleased that there was an opportunity to give a second grant and that they were able to make it happen.

Cllr Smith added that the feedback she had received had been welcomed and that Portsmouth City Council should be congratulated as officers for a really good report. Cllr Horton explained that this would go a long way and would help a lot of people.

DECISIONS: The Cabinet Member for Children, Families and Education:

1. Approved the proposed grant values to be paid in the spring term 2021 subject to the forecast year end position as set out in Table 1.

9. Dedicated Schools Grant Budget 2021-22

The report was introduced by Angela Mann, Finance Manager.

DECISIONS: The Cabinet Member for Children, Families and Education:

- 1. Approved the initial determination of the Schools Budget for 2021-22 as set out in Appendix 1.
- 2. Approved the 2021-22 Special School, Inclusion Centre and Alternative Provision Places as set out in Appendix 2.
- 3. Approved the 2021-22 Element 3 Top-up values for Special Schools, Inclusion Centres, Alternative Provision settings and pupils with an EHCP in Mainstream schools as set out in Appendix 3.
- 4. Approved the proposal to consult with The Harbour School and secondary schools with reference to the Turnaround project as set out in paragraph 5.23.
- 5. Approved the proposal that any carry forward of balances from 2020-21 be used to assist with the continued introduction of the funding reform changes and fund any potential financial pressures arising during 2021-22.

Councillor Suzy Horton Chair		•••••

The meeting concluded at 4.11 pm.