



NOTICE OF MEETING

CABINET MEMBER FOR CHILDREN, FAMILIES AND EDUCATION

THURSDAY, 15 DECEMBER 2022 AT 11.30 AM

COUNCIL CHAMBER - THE GUILDHALL, PORTSMOUTH

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Councillor Suzy Horton (Liberal Democrat)

Group Spokespersons

Councillor Terry Norton, Conservative

Councillor Tom Coles, Labour

Public health guidance for staff and the public due to Winter coughs, colds and viruses, including Covid-19

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- We strongly recommend that attendees should be double vaccinated and have received any boosters they are eligible for.
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A G E N D A

- 1 Apologies**
- 2 Declarations of Members' Interests**
- 3 Closure of the Inclusion Centre at Portsdown Primary School (Pages 5 - 10)**

Purpose of report

This report sets out the responses from the pre-statutory consultation on a proposal to close the Inclusion Centre at Portsdown Primary School. The consultation was run between 15th October and 15th November 2021.

In light of the responses to the consultation, approval is sought to undertake the statutory process to close the Inclusion Centre at Portsdown Primary School.

RECOMMENDED that the Cabinet Member:

- 1) Considers the responses from the pre-statutory consultation on the proposal to close the Inclusion Centre at Portsdown Primary School.**
- 2) Authorises the Director of Children, Families and Education to proceed to the publication and representation stages of the statutory proposal to close the Inclusion Centre at Portsdown Primary School.**
- 4 Dedicated Schools Grant 2022-23 Quarter 2 Budget Monitoring (Pages 11 - 16)**

Purpose of report

The purpose of this report is to inform the Cabinet Member of the projected revenue expenditure of the Dedicated Schools Grant (DSG) for the current financial year 2022-23 as at the end of September 2022.

RECOMMENDED that the Cabinet Member notes the forecast year end budget position for the Dedicated Schools Grant as at 30 September 2022, together with the associated explanations contained within this report.

5 Children, Families and Education Portfolio 2022-23 Quarter 2 Budget Monitoring (Pages 17 - 24)

Purpose of report

To inform the Cabinet Member of the projected revenue expenditure within the portfolio cash limit and the Capital Programme for the current financial year 2022/23. This report sets out the budget position and contributing factors to the projected spend within the portfolio as at the end of September 2022.

RECOMMENDED that:

- 1) The Cabinet Member notes the Children, Families and Education Portfolio forecast revenue and capital budget positions, as at the end of September 2022, together with the variance and pressure explanations.
- 2) In consultation with the Cabinet Member, Directors continue to develop a savings plan which will eliminate the overspend currently being forecast, progress against which is monitored by the Cabinet Member and the Director of Finance on a regular basis.

6 School Funding Arrangements 2023-24 (Pages 25 - 52)

Purpose of report

The purpose of this report is to provide the Cabinet Member with an update on the latest developments in respect of the future schools' revenue funding arrangements for the financial year 2023-24.

RECOMMENDED that the Cabinet Member:

- 1) Notes the Department for Education's proposed changes to school revenue funding arrangements for 2023-24, as set out in this report.
- 2) Approves the proposals for implementing the local funding formula arrangements as set out in this report in particular to:
 - a) Implement the National Funding Formula rates for both primary and secondary schools in 2023-24 as set out in Appendix 1.
 - b) Implement a minimum funding guarantee (MFG) of at least 0.0% and up to +0.5% subject to affordability, for 2023-24 as set

- out in paragraph 5.13 of the report.**
- c) The method of managing affordability as set out in paragraphs 5.14 to 5.18 of the report.**

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