



NOTICE OF MEETING

CABINET MEMBER FOR CHILDREN, FAMILIES AND EDUCATION

THURSDAY, 23 FEBRUARY 2023 AT 11.00 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

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AGENDA

RISK ASSESSMENT

- 1 Apologies**
- 2 Declarations of Members' Interests**
- 3 Consultation on Revised Travel Assistance Policies (Pages 7 - 50)**

Purpose

To seek approval to consult on making changes to the Travel Assistance Policy for children of statutory school age (5-16) and the Travel Assistance Statement for post-16 learners.

RECOMMENDED that the Cabinet Member for Children, Families and Education agrees to:

- a) **Consult on revised draft Portsmouth travel assistance policies for children of statutory school age and post-16 learners**
- b) **Delegate to the Director of Children, Families and Education responsibility for preparing and issuing updated policies taking account feedback during the consultation period.**

4 Education Advisory Board (Pages 51 - 54)

Purpose

To provide the background and rationale for dissolving the Education Advisory Board (EAB) and how the responsibilities of the EAB will be covered in the future.

RECOMMENDED that the Cabinet Member for Children, Families and Education:

- a) **Dissolves the Education Advisory Board (EAB) and transfers the EAB responsibilities to the Cabinet Member and the EYCP scrutiny panel**
- b) **Receives regular updates from officers on school improvement and standards through the Lead Member Briefings and that an annual report in the Autumn (covering the items in paragraph 3.5 of the report) is prepared for a Cabinet Member Decision meeting.**

5 Dedicated Schools Grant Budget 2023-24 (Pages 55 - 68)

Purpose

The purpose of this report is to inform the Cabinet Member of the initial determination of the Dedicated Schools Grant budget (including individual schools budgets) for 2023-24 and to seek the necessary approvals and endorsements required.

RECOMMENDED the Cabinet Member:

- a) **Approve the initial determination of the Schools Budget for 2023-24 as set out in Appendix 1 of the report.**
- b) **Approve the 2023-24 Element 3 Top-up values for Special Schools, Inclusion Centres, Alternative Provision settings and Mainstream schools, as set out in Appendix 2 of the report.**
- c) **Approve the proposal that any carry forward of balances from 2022-23 to be used to assist with the revenue costs associated with the planned increase in high needs places, specifically The Wymering School, the continued introduction of the funding reform changes and fund any potential financial pressures arising during 2023-24.**

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