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Title of meeting:	Education Advisory Board
Subject:	Ofsted school inspections Spring and Summer terms 2022
Date of meeting:	18 th July 2022
Report by:	Mike Stoneman, Deputy Director - Education
Wards affected:	All

1. Requested by Sarah Daly, Director - Children, Families and Education**2. Purpose**

- 2.1 This report sets out details of 11 Ofsted school inspections that were carried out by Ofsted during the Spring and Summer terms 2022, including details of any judgements for those reports that have been published. This follows a report that was provided to Board Members in February 2022 with a summary of the outcomes of Ofsted inspections for the Summer and Autumn terms 2021.
- 2.2 The report also provides a summary of the overall position for Ofsted judgements across schools in Portsmouth (Appendix 1)

3. Ofsted school inspections - Spring and Summer terms 2022

- 3.1 During the Spring and Summer terms 2021 there were 11 Ofsted school inspections, seven of which were section 8 inspections and four of which were section 5 inspections. A summary of all 11 inspections is given in the below Table 1. (note: for seven of the inspections the final reports have yet to be published and the judgements are therefore unknown)
- 3.2 The purpose of a section 8 inspection of a good or outstanding school is to confirm whether the school remains good or outstanding under the definition of overall effectiveness set out in the school inspection handbook. A section 5 inspection is a full inspection with graded judgements in the areas of overall effectiveness, quality of education, behaviour and attitudes, personal development, leadership and management; and where applicable early years education or sixth form provision.

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Table 1: Summary of Ofsted school inspections in Portsmouth - Summer and Autumn terms 2022

School	LA / Academy	Type of inspection	Dates	Outcome
Cliffdale Primary	Solent Academies Trust	Section 8 Inspection	8 th & 9 th February 2022	Continues to be Outstanding
Northern Parade Infant	King's Academies	Section 5 inspection	5 th & 6 th April 2022	Requires Improvement (no previous outcome available due to academy transfer)
The Portsmouth Academy	Thinking Schools Academy Trust	Section 8 Inspection	26 th & 27 th April 2022	Continues to be Good
Westover Primary	Hamwic	Section 5	5 th & 6 th May 2022	Good (previously Requiring Improvement)
Castle View Academy	United Learning Trust	Section 5	7 th & 8 th June 2022	TBC
Craneswater Junior	LA	Section 8	15 th & 16 th June 2022	TBC
St Edmund's Catholic School	LA	Section 8	15 th & 16 th June 2022	TBC
Northern Parade Junior	King's Academies	Section 8	21 st & 22 nd June 2022	TBC
Devonshire Infant	University of Chichester MAT	Section 8	28 th & 29 th June 2022	TBC
Admiral Lord Nelson School	Salterns Academy Trust	Section 8	28 th & 29 th June 2022	TBC
Charter Academy	ARK	Section 5	5 th & 6 th July 2022	TBC

- 3.3 To date only four of the above inspections have the Ofsted reports published. Within those four schools, Cliffdale Primary and The Portsmouth Academy have retained their previous judgement of Outstanding and Good respectively. Westover Primary moved from Requiring Improvement whereas Northern Parade Infant was judged to be Requiring Improvement (whilst no previous outcome was available due to academy transfer it should be noted that prior to the academy transfer the school was judged to be Good).

4. Ofsted inspections in 2021/2022

- 4.1 Ofsted resumed its routine inspection schedule under the Education Inspection Framework (EIF) from September 2021, having only conducted monitoring visits

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throughout the pandemic since March 2020, mainly focused initially on remote education provision and safeguarding but also on schools graded requires improvement or inadequate.

- 4.2 Following continued challenges from the pandemic for schools in the autumn term of 2021, with staff and pupil absences due to Coronavirus positive cases or self-isolation many deferrals were requested by schools. Ofsted became increasingly alert to, and understanding, of this.
- 4.3 At the beginning of January 2022 secondary schools were not inspected initially when children returned after the Christmas break as on-site testing was being administered and Ofsted inspectors who are also serving practitioners were not required to undertake any inspection work until after 26th January 2022.

5. Overall summary

- 5.1 In Portsmouth, 90% of inspected schools are now either Good or Outstanding and 91.7% of pupils are taught in inspected schools that are Good or Outstanding.
- 5.2 Appendix 1 provides a series of graphs and charts which show the trends between end of July 2021 and end of June 2022.

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Signed by Director of Children, Families and Education

Background list of documents: Section 100D of the Local Government Act 1972

The following documents disclose facts or matters, which have been relied upon to a material extent by the author in preparing this report:

Title of document	Location
Ofsted judgements for Portsmouth LA Maintained Schools and Academies	Appendix 1