

Brighton & Hove City Council

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Meeting: Children, Families and Schools Sub Committee

Date: Monday 1 December 2003

Report of: Director Children, Families and Schools

Subject: Progress report on the implementation of the annual Education Development Plan, Action Plan

Wards affected: All

1. Purpose of the Report

1.1 The report is to inform members of progress after six months with the Education Development Plan (EDP) annual Action Plan.

2. Recommendations

2.1 The Committee are requested to note the progress achieved.

3. Information/Background

3.1 The EDP is a five year plan (2002-2007) with an annual action plan prepared from April to March. The annual Action Plan for 2003-04 was formally approved by CFS Sub Committee 9th June 2003 (Agenda Item 13). There are seven priorities in the EDP and progress is reported on each of the priorities.

3.2 The EDP was approved by the Department for Education and Skills (DfES) in 2002 and Graded 1 (the highest grade) by the Office for Standards in Education (OfSTED). A copy of the full EDP and the annual Action Plan is available on Education Online. All councillors, governors, and staff in schools have been sent an A4 summary for individual use, and an A3 poster for the school staffroom notice board, giving the focus of the EDP for 2003-04. A survey of headteachers in 2003 revealed that the seven priorities in the EDP were reflected in their School Improvement Plans.

4. Performance against targets and performance indicators

4.1 A summary of the progress achieved against each priority is attached as appendix 1.

5. Legal Implications

- 5.1 It is a statutory requirement that we have an EDP and the annual action plan was submitted to the DfES in July 2003 for information.

6. Equalities Implications

- 6.1 There are equalities implications throughout the delivery of the EDP priorities but these are particularly focused on Priority 4 Narrowing the attainment gap and tackling underachievement.

7. Conclusion

- 7.1 Progress with the EDP at the six-month point is on course and good progress has been made on each of the seven priorities.

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Financial implications

There are no additional financial implications for this report, all costs of the EDP are met from within Children, Families and Schools budget.

Finance Officer consulted: Paul Brinkhurst /Date 14th November 2003

Legal implications

See paragraph 6.

Corporate/Citywide implications The priorities in the EDP are reflected in the Corporate priorities for the City.	Risk assessment None.
Sustainability implications None.	Equalities implications See paragraph 7.
Implications for the prevention of crime and disorder None.	

Background papers [Part 1 reports only]

1. *Education Development Plan 2002-07*
2. *Education Development Action Plan 2003-04*

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