

Decision No: CYP11 – 22 March 2010 (Special)

Forward Plan No: CYP14971

This record relates to Agenda Item 46 on the agenda for the Decision-Making

## **RECORD OF CABINET MEMBER KEY DECISION**

**DECISION-MAKER:** COUNCILLOR VANESSA BROWN

**PORTFOLIO AREA:** CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE

**SUBJECT:** REMOVAL OF SOFT SERVICES FROM THE SCHOOLS PFI CONTRACT

**AUTHOR:** GIL SWEETENHAM

### **THE DECISION**

1. That the Cabinet Member agrees to the removal of Soft services from the PFI agreement with BHCSS with effect from April 2010.
2. That the Cabinet Member agrees to the removal of third party income from the Agreement with BHCSS with effect from April 2010.

### **REASON FOR THE DECISION**

1. To resolve a number of long-running issues with the existing PFI agreement for Dorothy Stringer High School, Varndean School, Patcham High School, the Patcham Stakeholders (Community Centre, Library, Youth Centre and Patcham Junior School (catering only)).
2. To ensure the inclusion of our three PFI secondary Schools within the Building Schools for the Future programme.

### **DETAILS OF ANY ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS**

1. This paper presents the only option for beneficial change to have been agreed with our PFI providers.
2. Options for the council to terminate the PFI agreement or to purchase BHCSS have been investigated and not progressed. The high charges associated with termination and purchase plus likely significant compensation payments to BHCSS and JAS result in these options not offering value for money. Analysis is shown in Appendix 1 of the Part 2 report

### **OTHER RELEVANT MATTERS CONCERNING THE DECISION**

None

## CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

The decision-maker did not declare a personal or prejudicial interest in the matters set out in the report.

### CONFIRMED AS A TRUE RECORD:

**We certify that the decision this document records was made in accordance with the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2000 and is a true and accurate record of that decision**

**Date:**

22 March 2010

**Decision Maker:**

Councillor Vanessa Brown  
Cabinet Member for Children & Young  
People

**Signed:**



**Proper Officer:**

22 March 2010

Mark Wall, Head of Democratic Services

**Signed:**



## SCRUTINY

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### Call-In Period

**23 – 29 March 2010**

Date of Call-in *(if applicable) (this suspends implementation)*

Call-in Procedure completed *(if applicable)*

Call-in heard by *(if applicable)*

Results of Call-in *(if applicable)*

Decision No: CYP12 – 22 March 2010 (Special)

Forward Plan No: CYP13308

This record relates to Agenda Item 47 on the agenda for the Decision-Making

## **RECORD OF CABINET MEMBER KEY DECISION**

**DECISION-MAKER:** COUNCILLOR VANESSA BROWN

**PORTFOLIO AREA:** CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE

**SUBJECT:** SCHOOL ADMISSIONS  
ARRANGEMENTS FOR 2011/12

**AUTHOR:** STEVE HEALEY

### **THE DECISION**

1. That the proposed school admission numbers set out in the consultation documents be adopted for the admissions year 2011/12.
2. That the exceptional circumstances admission priority be retained for all age groups, but is applied more rigorously with a stronger burden of proof of the need for admission to the school in question.
3. That a new admission priority be applied to the junior admission exercise where there are linked infant and junior schools (new priority 4). At the same time the limit of 2 miles placed on the sibling link for primary schools be removed.
4. That the proposed Voluntary Aided School admission arrangements be noted as conforming to the requirements of the Admissions Code.
5. That the co-ordinated schemes of admission, including schemes for in-year admission, be approved.
6. That the City boundary be retained as the relevant area for consultation for school admissions.

## REASON FOR THE DECISION

The City Council must conform to legislative requirements on the publication of admission arrangements which reflect the requirements of the Admissions Code. The recommendations ensure the City Council's compliance, and reflect the body of debate and consultation which has taken place around admission arrangements in Brighton & Hove this year and in previous years.

## DETAILS OF ANY ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

The City Council is required in law to review its school admission arrangements every year, although following the Education and Skills Act 2008 this will change to once every three years if no changes are made. The consultation is intended to identify alternative proposals for admission arrangements. Issues raised by schools will be set out in the tabled addendum to this report.

## OTHER RELEVANT MATTERS CONCERNING THE DECISION

None

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Results of Call-in *(if applicable)*

Decision No: CYP13 – 22 March 2010 (Special)

Forward Plan No: CYP14973

This record relates to Agenda Item 48 on the agenda for the Decision-Making

## **RECORD OF CABINET MEMBER KEY DECISION**

**DECISION-MAKER:** COUNCILLOR VANESSA BROWN

**PORTFOLIO AREA:** CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE

**SUBJECT:** TENDERING FOR SPECIAL SCHOOL HOME TO SCHOOL TRANSPORT SERVICES

**AUTHOR:** STEVE HEALEY

### **THE DECISION**

1. That the completion of the re-tendering process for the two home to school transport contracts which finish at the end of the summer term 2010 be approved.
2. That delegated authority to confirm the award of the contracts be granted to the Director of Children's Services, within whose Department the contract is managed.

### **REASON FOR THE DECISION**

1. To ensure that suitable home to school transport provision is available to support schools and colleges.
2. To ensure that the Council meets its legal obligations with regard to provision of home to school transport.
3. To ensure that the service provided is of a good quality and cost effective.
4. To award contracts in a timely fashion, allowing time for discussion with schools/colleges and parents about any changes in arrangements.

#### **DETAILS OF ANY ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS**

The Council does not have sufficient in house vehicle or driver capacity transport all those entitled to home to school transport. Even the expansion of existing provision such as the Departmental Transport Service could not meet the transport need without an enormous programme of vehicle acquisition and the employment of drivers. This would be very hard to justify as some vehicles would be idle except at morning and afternoon school delivery and pick up times. It would also be hard to employ drivers who would be prepared to work a split shift at school times only.

#### **OTHER RELEVANT MATTERS CONCERNING THE DECISION**

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Results of Call-in (*if applicable*)



Decision No: CYP14 – 22 March 2010 (Special)

Forward Plan No: CYP14971

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**DECISION-MAKER:** COUNCILLOR VANESSA BROWN

**PORTFOLIO AREA:** CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE

**SUBJECT:** REMOVAL OF SOFT SERVICES FROM THE SCHOOLS PFI CONTRACT [EXEMPT CATEGORY 1 & 3]

**AUTHOR:** GIL SWEETENHAM

### **THE DECISION**

1. As per Part 1 Decision Record.

### **REASON FOR THE DECISION**

As per Part 1 of the report.

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