

10 March 2014

This record relates to Agenda Item 71

RECORD OF CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE COMMITTEE

POLICY & RESOURCES COMMITTEE DECISION

SUBJECT: EDUCATION CAPITAL PROGRAMME

AUTHOR: MICHAEL NIX

THE DECISION

RESOLVED – (1) That the level of available capital resources totalling £8.887 million for investment relating to education buildings financed from capital grant, revenue contributions and borrowing be noted; and

(2) That the Committee agree to allocation of funding as shown in appendices 2 and 3 and recommend this to Policy and Resources Committee on 20 March 2014 for inclusion within the council's Capital Investment Programme 2014/15.

REASON FOR THE DECISION

To determine an overall Capital Programme for Brighton & Hove City Council, each service is asked to consider its capital investment requirements, within the level of allocated resources for 2014/15. The purpose of the report is to inform the Committee of the level of available capital resources allocated to the service for 2014/15 and to recommend a Capital Investment Programme for 2014/15.

DETAILS OF ANY ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

The only option available would be not to make use of this funding to improve or extend the education property portfolio. This is not recommended as it would limit our ability to maintain, modernise and improve our school buildings property portfolio and to secure sufficient school places.

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RECORD OF CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE COMMITTEE DECISION

SUBJECT: BRIGHTON & HOVE SCHOOL
ORGANISATION PLAN 2013-2017

AUTHOR: MICHAEL NIX

THE DECISION

RESOLVED - (1) That the Committee has considered and commented upon the School Organisation Plan 2013 – 2017; and

(2) That the Committee recommends the Council at its meeting on 27 March 2014 to approve the Plan subject to any comments the Committee wishes to make.

REASON FOR THE DECISION

The purpose of this report is to seek approval for the School Organisation Plan 2013 – 2017. The Committee is required to consider the Plan and make recommendations to the full Council, which has the authority to approve it.

DETAILS OF ANY ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

The statutory duty means that the Council must ensure that arrangements are in place to secure sufficient school places. The Plan describes the steps being taken to consult with schools and others about options for securing sufficient places and progress with this will be overseen by the Cross Party Working Group and reported to Committee at future meetings. Alongside this the Council will need to consider whether the present secondary school admissions arrangements need to be changed in any way to ensure that available places are fully taken up. There is also regular dialogue with Department for Education (DfE) officials about the provision made through existing and potential new academies and free schools.

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RECORD OF CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE COMMITTEE DECISION

SUBJECT: ADMISSION ARRANGEMENTS FOR
BRIGHTON & HOVE SCHOOLS 2015-
2016

AUTHOR: JO MILES

THE DECISION

RESOLVED – (1) That the proposed school admission numbers set out in the consultation documents be adopted for the admissions year 2015/16;

(2) That the admission priorities for Community Schools set out in the Consultation documents be adopted for all age groups;

(3) That the Council should review the final version of the Cardinal Newman Catholic School and King's School admission arrangements (as amended in light of the Diocesan response and parental and school responses) to decide whether it should comment further;

(4) That the co-ordinated schemes of admission be approved;

(5) That the City boundary be retained as the relevant area for consultation for school admissions; and

(6) That the operation of the council's relocation pool (also known as waiting list) in each catchment shall give priority to any child still living within their catchment area who has applied for a school place within catchment before the closing date for the relevant school year, and who was not allocated a placement within the catchment for the relevant year (amendment agreed at the meeting).

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

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This record relates to Agenda Item 74

**RECORD OF CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE COMMITTEE
DECISION**

SUBJECT: RELATIONSHIPS AND SEX
EDUCATION IN BRIGHTON & HOVE
SCHOOLS

AUTHOR: SAM BEAL

THE DECISION

RESOLVED (1) That the Committee supports the review and development of the local authority *Sex and Relationships Education: Guidance for Schools* (2003) by Children's Services and the Public Health Team in consultation with schools, children and young people and key local and national partners in Health and the Community and Voluntary Sector; and

(2) A draft of the revised guidance to be discussed and agreed at Committee in the Autumn Term of 2014.

REASON FOR THE DECISION

Provision of guidance for schools is supportive to them at a time when RSE continues to be a controversial and sensitive curriculum area. It is also an opportunity to state the Council commitment to this important curriculum area and to outline best practice in terms of models of delivery, curriculum content and safe learning environments. It also supports effective and clear communication with the media on the Council stance.

DETAILS OF ANY ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

The Council could continue to provide RSE support to schools without the overarching framework of an updated guidance to schools. Time spent on guidance writing could be used to develop practice in individual schools.

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This record relates to Agenda Item 75

RECORD OF CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE COMMITTEE DECISION

SUBJECT: DISCUSSION DOCUMENT RE
IMPLEMENTING A MULTI AGENCY
SAFEGUARDING HUB (MASH) FOR
BRIGHTON AND HOVE

AUTHOR: HELEN GULVIN

THE DECISION

RESOLVED - That the Committee support the establishment of a Multi-Agency Safeguarding Hub as previously agreed by Brighton & Hove's Local Safeguarding Children's Board

REASON FOR THE DECISION

To provide a discussion document in relation to implementing a Multi-Agency Safeguarding Hub (MASH) for Brighton and Hove.

DETAILS OF ANY ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

N/a.

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This record relates to Agenda Item 76

RECORD OF CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE COMMITTEE DECISION

SUBJECT: MISSING CHILDREN POLICY AND
PRACTICE GUIDANCE

AUTHOR: RICHARD HAKIN

THE DECISION

RESOLVED – (1) That the Committee notes the contents of the two new missing policy and guidance documents which seek to raise awareness of this high risk area of work; and

(2) That CYP Committee and members give this report endorsement in order that officers could work with to hold services to account on delivering the best possible services and outcomes and delivering the core principles set out in these documents.

REASON FOR THE DECISION

To enable the Committee to consider the contents of the two new missing policy and guidance documents which seek to raise awareness of the this high risk area of work.

DETAILS OF ANY ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

This policy is a response to new national policy guidance and so covers the requirements for local authorities set out in this guidance. Part of this guidance is to have both clear strategic priority to this area of work and clear processes in place for how services should identify levels of assessed risk and respond to them. There are choices perhaps about how we deliver the services set out in national guidance, but not about whether we deliver them.

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RECORD OF CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE COMMITTEE DECISION

SUBJECT: YOUTH INFORMATION ADVICE AND
COUNSELLING SERVICES (YIACS)

AUTHOR: PHILIP WARD

THE DECISION

RESOLVED – (1) That the committee approves the procurement of a new and integrated Youth Information Advice and Counselling Service (YIACS), as set out in section 3 of the report ; and

(2) That the committee grants delegated authority to the Director of Children's Services to award the contract following the recommendations of the evaluation panel and the results of the tendering process.

REASON FOR THE DECISION

The report proposes the commissioning of Youth Information, Advice and Counselling Services (YIACS), under the delegated authority of the Director of Children's Services, as a single point of access for young people across the city in order to improve outcomes for young people.

DETAILS OF ANY ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

There is a debate as to whether the counselling budget should be included within a tendering process because of the timescales required by housing advice contractual arrangements.

Even if the counselling budget is put out to tender, there has been recent discussion as to whether it is best combined within the YIACS model or whether there should be further thought about creating a health-based 'wellbeing' centre for young people within the context of the whole pathway and drawing in other partners.

However, the 'prospectus model' is not intended to be inflexible – as we are taking things forward we can respond to contingencies / new developments and opportunities e.g. confirmation of new commissioning/funding.

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