

# Children and Young People Committee

## Decision Statement

**Meeting:** 8<sup>th</sup> December 2015

**Published:** 10<sup>th</sup> December 2015

**Decision review deadline:** 15<sup>th</sup> December 2015



Each decision set out below will come into force, and may then be implemented at 9.30am on the fourth full working day after the publication date, unless it is subject of a decision review. [see note on decision review below].

Item	Topic	Decision
	<b><u>CONSTITUTIONAL MATTERS</u></b>	
1.	<b>Apologies for Absence and Declarations of Interest</b>	<p>Apologies for absence were received from Councillors F Onasanya, S Van de Kerkhove (substitute: Councillor M Mason), J Wisson (substitute: Councillor F Yeulett) and Mrs P Stanton.</p> <p>There were no declarations of interest. However under item 7 (Establishment of a New Secondary School in North West Cambridge) Councillors P Downes, D Harty and M Mason declared that they had formed part of the joint Member/officer assessment panel which had met to interview and assess each potential sponsor for the new secondary school.</p>
2.	<b>Minutes – 10<sup>th</sup> November 2015</b>	<p>It was resolved to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Approve the minutes of the meeting held on 10<sup>th</sup> November 2015 as a correct record.</li> <li>2. Note the action log.</li> </ol>
3.	<b>Petitions</b>	None
	<b><u>OTHER DECISIONS</u></b>	

4.	<b>Building Family Resilience: A Strategy for Cambridgeshire's Children, Families and Adults Services</b>	<p>It was resolved to review and comment on the draft Strategy (Appendix 1), the commissioning intentions and the areas of priority within the Action Plan (Appendix 2).</p> <p>(Note: Whilst this decision had been listed as a "Key Decision", it was noted that as the Strategy was still draft and had to come back for approval and adoption by the Committee following the conclusion of consultation, it was not a "Key Decision" at this stage).</p>
5.	<b>Proposal for the Future Approach to Support Complex Special Educational Needs for Children in Early Years Setting</b>	<p>It was resolved to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Support a move from funding children in early years settings with complex Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) through Early Years Access Funding to funding through Education, Health and Care Plans by 2018.</li> <li>2. Support the introduction from April 2016, for two years, of a limit on the maximum amount of hours per week (15 hours) the Local Authority funds per child through the Early Years Access Funding, unless the child is eligible for free school meals, when the maximum would be 30 hours.</li> </ol>
6.	<b>Recruitment and Retention Strategy: Social Care Services</b>	It was resolved to endorse the Children, Families and Adults Social Care Recruitment and Retention Strategy.
7.	<b>Establishment of a New Secondary School in North West, Cambridge</b>	<p>It was resolved to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Note and comment on the outcome of the joint member/officer assessment panel process.</li> <li>2. Note the consequent appeal request lodged by Cambridge Meridian Academy Trust (CMAT) and that the Executive Director: Children, Families and Adults Services has undertaken a review of this and reached the conclusion that, whilst there had been some administrative errors, these had no material effect on the outcome of the assessment process.</li> <li>3. <b>Note</b> the proposal that following the Executive Director's review of and response to the appeal lodged by CMAT, all documentation, including the correspondence in respect of the appeal, be forwarded to the Regional Schools Commissioner accompanied by a letter confirming Chesterton Community College as the Council's preferred sponsor for the new secondary school.</li> </ol>
8.	<b>Future Configuration of Trinity School</b>	<p>It was resolved to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Note the feedback from the consultation undertaken on the future configuration of Trinity School.</li> <li>2. Approve the proposal for the relocation of the staff and students from the Hartford and Foxton sites of Trinity School to new accommodation provided specifically for this purpose in Almond Road, St Neots, at the start of the autumn term 2016 and</li> </ol>

		<p>the subsequent closure of the Foxton and Hartford centres.</p> <p>3. Approve continued use of the Wisbech site of Trinity School, which is leased by the Council.</p>
9.	<b>Home to School Transport – Business Plan Proposals</b>	<p>It was resolved to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Note the legislation governing the provision of home to school/college transport and the Council's current policy.</li> <li>2. Note and comment on the reasons for the pressures on both the mainstream and Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) budgets and the actions being taken to manage these and reduce demand.</li> <li>3. Note the information provided on the financial support available to post-16 students to offset the costs of their transport to and from college.</li> <li>4. Note and comment on plans for consultation on the proposals set out in the draft Business Plan for 2016/17, i.e. for the Council to cease to provide any form of financial subsidy for mainstream post-16 students commencing a new course of study with effect from 1 September 2016.</li> <li>5. <b>Agree to receive</b> a further update on the outturn forecast spend this financial year at the Committee's January 2016 meeting to inform the decision on which of the proposed changes will be taken forward to consultation.</li> <li>6. <b>Agree to take a proactive approach to encourage the provision and take up of bursaries.</b></li> </ol>
10.	<b>Finance and Performance Report – October 2015</b>	It was resolved to review and comment on the report.
11.	<b>Children and Young People Committee Review of Revenue and Capital Business Planning Proposals for Children and Young People's Services 2016/17 to 2020/21</b>	<p>It was resolved to:-</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Note the overview and context provided for the 2016/17 to 2020/21 Business Plan revenue proposals, updated since the last report to the Committee in November.</li> <li>2. Comment on the draft revenue savings that are within the remit of the Children and Young People Committee for 2016/17 to 2020/21.</li> <li>3. Comment on the changes to the capital programme that are within the remit of the Children and Young People Committee and <b>note</b> them.</li> <li>4. Note the ongoing stakeholder consultation and discussions with partners and service users regarding emerging business planning proposals.</li> </ol>
12.	<b>Children and Young People Committee Agenda Plan and Appointments to Internal Advisory Groups and Outside Bodies</b>	It was resolved to note the agenda plan, as set out in Appendix A.

**Notes:**

- (a) Statements in bold type indicate additional resolutions made at the meeting.
- (b) Requests for review of a decision can be made as indicated below:-
  - a. At least 8 elected members of the Council may submit a request for a review of a decision by the General Purposes Committee;
  - b. At least 24 elected members of the Council may submit a request for a review of a decision by the Full Council;
  - c. The request must be submitted in writing to the Monitoring Officer or Chief Executive before the expiry of 3 full working days after the decision has been published and shall specify the reason(s) why the decision should be reviewed.
- (c) Full details of the decision review process, including those decisions which may not be subject to review, are set out in the Decision Review Procedure Rules at Part 4.5 of the Constitution.

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