

Children and Young People Committee Decision Statement

Meeting: Tuesday 28th November 2023
Published: Thursday 30th November 2023

Each decision set out below will come into force, and may then be implemented on the expiry of three full working days after the publication of the decision statement and may then be implemented, unless subject to a decision review request [see note on decision review below].

1. Apologies for absence and declarations of interest

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors J King, M McGuire and K Prentice, and from Dr A Stone.

Councillors C Daunton and A Sharp declared an interest in Item 7: Draft Small School Strategy as governors of small schools.

2. Minutes – 10th October 2023 and Minutes Action Log

The minutes of the meeting on 10th October 2023 were approved as an accurate record and signed by the Chair. The action log was noted.

3. Petitions and public questions

Two public questions were heard which related to Item 4: Regional Director – Department for Education. Copies of the questions and responses (once published) are available to view on [the meeting webpage](#).

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4. Regional Director – Department for Education

It was resolved to note the background contents of the Director of Education's report to aid the discussion in the meeting around the Regional Director's role and his oversight of educational and social care outcomes in Cambridgeshire.

5. Finance Monitoring Report October 2023

The report was noted.

6. Transport Transformation Progress Report

It was resolved to:

- a) endorse progress made towards the outcomes identified in the Transport Transformation Strategy.
- b) agree to a review of safer walking routes, with a view to bring a proposal to committee in March 2024.
- c) endorse the partnership working with the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Combined Authority in relation to shared public bus routes.

7. Draft Small Schools Strategy

It was resolved to endorse the Small Schools Strategy (which includes the school closure process) set out in Appendix 1 to this report for immediate adoption and implementation.

8. Corporate Parenting Annual Report 2022/23

It was resolved to agree the report and areas for development listed for Corporate Parenting in 2023/24.

9. A Review of Methodology for Estimating Demand for Education Provision arising from New Housing Developments

It was resolved to approve the adoption of the revised child multipliers set out in Table 3 in paragraph 2.8 and Table 5 in paragraph 2.11 with immediate effect, to better inform the planning and funding of early years and school places.

10. Corporate Performance Report

It was resolved to note and comment of the performance information and take remedial action as necessary.

11. Children and Young People Committee agenda plan, training plan and appointments

It was resolved to:

- a) Note the committee agenda plan.**
- b) Note the committee training plan.**
- c) Note two changes to committee appointments made since the last meeting:**

- i. **Councillor P Slatter appointed as a member of the Corporate Parenting Sub-Committee, in place of Councillor M Atkins.**
 - ii. **Councillor M Atkins appointed as a substitute member of the Corporate Parenting Sub-Committee, in place of Councillor P Slatter**
 - iii. **Councillor M Atkins appointed as a non-voting observer on the Cambridgeshire Schools Forum, in place of Councillor B Goodliffe. This change was made by the Executive Director for Children, Education and Families under delegated authority on 1st November 2023, in consultation with the Committee Chair and Vice Chair.**
- d) **Appoint Councillor P Slatter as Vice Chair of the Corporate Parenting Sub-Committee.**
- e) **Discontinue the Joint Consultative Committee (Teachers).**

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:-
 - (i) At least nine members of the Strategy and Resources Committee to initiate a review of a decision taken by a Policy and Service Committee.
 - (ii) The request must be submitted in writing to the Monitoring Officer or Chief Executive before the expiry of three full working days from the date on which the decision notice was published.

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