

## Schools Forum Minutes Action Log

The Action Log was updated following the July Forum meeting and captures the actions from meetings of the Cambridgeshire Schools Forum requiring a response / or the response undertaken and completed since the last Action Log update. Due to the covid-19 crisis any updates will be provided orally at the meeting

### Minutes 12<sup>th</sup> July 2019

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| 1. | Minute 120. Review of Maintained Nurseries | Jon Lewis Service Director of Education / Hazel Belchamber | Agreed an update report on the review would be presented to Forum and that no decision would be made before the beginning of 2020. An update provide to December Forum is included as set out in the next column. | Following the agreement by the Department for Education (DfE) to continue funding to Nursery Schools for a further year, officers continue to work with Nursery Heads and governors over the longer term future of the Nursery Schools. A report will be brought to Schools Forum when appropriate. | Action Ongoing |
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### Minutes 17<sup>th</sup> July

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| 2. | Minute 157 Update on High Needs Recovery Plan | Jon Lewis / Councillor Bywater | It was agreed that the Director in consultation with the Chairmen of the Children and Young People Committee and Schools Forum should prepare a letter of representation to Government to request additional funding. | <u>Oral update to be provided at the meeting</u> | Status of action to be confirmed |
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| 3. | Minute 158 Schools and Dedicated Schools Grant (DSG) Financial Health - Schools Balance Mechanism            | Martin Wade          | There was a request that the text setting out the mechanism be looked at again to ensure that there was reference to any proposed intervention strategy having the involvement of the receiving trust if there was a proposal to convert it to an academy. It was agreed to amend accordingly and also that the same should also apply where schools were being brokered between trusts.   | This would be taken on board as part of the consultation to be undertaken in the spring. | Action ongoing |
| 4. | Minute 160 Review of Membership and Proportionality – need for more ethnic diversity in the Forum membership | Jon Lewis / Chairman | There was highlighted a lack of ethnic diversity on Forum with one observer suggesting that appointment processes should be reviewed to recognise the need for Forum to embrace a greater degree of ethnic diversity in its membership and that this should be taken into consideration when making future appointments. It was agreed that the Director would highlight this suggestion to the Representative Groups that approved Maintained and Academy sector appointments. The Chairman also undertook to take the suggestion away to discuss it further with the Academy sector representatives. | <u>Oral update on any progress to date to be reported at the meeting.</u>                |                |