

**Report to the Cabinet Member for Children, Young People and Schools**  
**Report submitted by: Interim Executive Director for Children and Young**  
**People**  
**7 April 2015**

**Part I**

Electoral Division affected:  
All

**Determination of Admission Arrangements for Community and Voluntary Controlled Primary and Secondary Schools and Sixth Forms for the School Year 2016/17**

(Appendices 'A' to 'D' refer)

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**Executive Summary**

To determine the admission arrangements for community and voluntary controlled schools for the school year 2016/17.

This is deemed to be a Key Decision and Standing Order 25 has been complied with.

**Recommendation**

The Cabinet Member for Children, Young People and Schools is recommended to approve:

- (i) that the admission numbers for community and voluntary controlled primary schools, secondary schools and sixth forms for 2016/17 listed at Appendices 'A' and 'B', which include the recommendations of the Interim Executive Director for Children and Young People listed at Appendix 'C', be determined;
- (ii) that the criteria for admission to community and voluntary controlled primary schools, secondary schools and sixth forms for 2016/17 as listed at Appendix 'D' be agreed; and
- (iii) that the admission numbers and criteria for admission set out at (i) and (ii), together with the other information included in the Authority's admissions booklets, shall constitute the admission arrangements for 2016/17.

**Background and Advice**

The County Council is the admissions authority for community and voluntary controlled schools. In accordance with Sections 88A-Q of the School Standards and Framework Act 1998, as amended by the Education and Skills Act 2008 and regulations, the County Council is required to consult widely about the proposed admission

arrangements for schools where it is the admissions authority. During the Autumn Term 2014 the County Council consulted with the governors of community and controlled schools on the proposed arrangements for admission to those schools for the 2016/17 school year, and the governors were invited to comment on the proposed admissions policy and admission number for their school. Further parties, including other admission authorities within the relevant area for each community and controlled school, were also consulted on the proposals. A full list of those consulted is included within this report.

The proposed admission numbers for community and voluntary controlled secondary schools, primary schools and sixth forms for the school year 2016/17 are listed at Appendices 'A' and 'B'.

The responses from governors to the proposed admission numbers for community and voluntary controlled secondary and primary schools and recommendations from the Interim Executive Director for Children and Young People are listed at Appendix 'C'.

The proposed admissions criteria for community and voluntary controlled secondary schools, primary schools and sixth forms for the school year 2016/17 are listed at Appendix 'D'. There were no responses to the consultation on admissions criteria.

## **Consultations**

- Governors of community and voluntary controlled schools
- Governors of voluntary aided and foundation, free schools and academies.
- Other Local Education Authorities adjoining Lancashire
- Diocesan colleagues
- Capital Development and Asset Management Team
- Liaison and Compliance Team
- County Secretary and Solicitor's Group
- Admission Forums – North, South and East
- Public

## **Implications:**

This item has the following implications, as indicated:

## **Risk management**

If the admission arrangements are not determined by 15 April 2015, the Authority would not be complying with its statutory obligations.

## List of Background Papers

Paper	Date	Contact/Directorate/Tel
DfE – Admissions Code of Practice – "School Admissions Code – December 2014"		Paul Bainbridge/Nan Hogg, Directorate for Children and Young People, 01772 531655/531540
<a href="#">School Standards and Framework Act 1998</a>		Paul Bainbridge/Nan Hogg, Directorate for Children and Young People, 01772 531655/531540
<a href="#">Education and Inspections Act 2006</a>		Paul Bainbridge/Nan Hogg, Directorate for Children and Young People, 01772 531655/531540
Education and Skills Act 2008		Paul Bainbridge/Nan Hogg, Directorate for Children and Young People, 01772 531655/531540
The School Admissions (Admission Arrangements) (England) Regulations 2014		Paul Bainbridge/Nan Hogg, Directorate for Children and Young People, 01772 531655/531540
The School Admissions (Admission Arrangements and Co-ordination of Admission Arrangements) (England) Regulations 2012		Paul Bainbridge/Nan Hogg, Directorate for Children and Young People, 01772 531655/531540
Reason for inclusion in Part II, if appropriate		
N/A		