

Notice of Meeting

Cabinet Member for Education Decisions

**Date & time**

Tuesday, 13 June
2017 at 3.30 pm

Place

Committee Room C,
County Hall, Kingston
upon Thames, Surrey
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Elected Members

Mrs Mary Lewis

AGENDA

1 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

All Members present are required to declare, at this point in the meeting or as soon as possible thereafter

- i. Any disclosable pecuniary interests and / or
- ii. Other interests arising under the Code of Conduct in respect of any item(s) of business being considered at this meeting

NOTES:

- Members are reminded that they must not participate in any item where they have a disclosable pecuniary interest
- As well as an interest of the Member, this includes any interest, of which the Member is aware, that relates to the Member's spouse or civil partner (or any person with whom the Member is living as a spouse or civil partner)
- Members with a significant personal interest may participate in the discussion and vote on that matter unless that interest could be reasonably regarded as prejudicial.

2 PROCEDURAL MATTERS

a Members' Questions

The deadline for Members' questions is 12pm four working days before the meeting (07/06/2017).

b Public Questions

The deadline for public questions is seven days before the meeting (06/06/2017).

c Petitions

Notice of Petition

Received from Elena van der Graaf, 575 signatures

Children born 1Apr–31Aug are not required to start school until the September following their 5th birthday (Compulsory School Age or CSAge). If parents wish for them to start in reception at CSAge, rather than year1, they must ask the admissions authority. Legally, the decision about when a child starts full time education is solely down to the parents. The School Admissions Code states that the admissions authority must then decide which year group is in the child's best interests to join - reception or year1. If placed in year1, the child will miss a whole year of essential/critical education, which is not in their best interests, and defies the government's position on school attendance. Unlike other LAs, Surrey County Council does not adopt a flexible approach to these requests. Parents are routinely advised that, without exceptional circumstances, their child will be placed directly into year1 or miss a year later on if reception entry is agreed. We urge Surrey County Council to allow summer born children to start at CSAge in reception and continue their

education with that cohort, if this is their parents' wish.

A response will be tabled at the meeting.

3 SELECTION OF PREFERRED PROPOSER FOR THE HORLEY NORTH WEST FREE SCHOOL (Pages 1 - 58)

Under Section 6A of the Education and Inspections Act 2006 (the 'free school presumption'), where a local authority identifies the need to establish a new school it must, in the first instance, seek proposals to establish a Free School. Surrey County Council (SCC) has identified the need to establish a new two Form Entry (2FE) Primary School in the North West Sector of Horley to open in September 2020. The Authority has therefore sought proposals from appropriate sponsors to open this new school. The window for the receipt of applications ran from 6 February 2017 to 31 March 2017.

4 PROPOSED EXPANSION OF OAKWOOD SCHOOL (Pages 59 - 84)

Surrey County Council (SCC), has consulted on a proposal to expand Oakwood School by one form of entry from September 2018 and a further one form of entry in September 2019 (making a two form entry expansion, in total). The Education Consultation was conducted between 24 April 2017 and 22 May 2017.

The Cabinet Member for Education is asked to review the education rationale for the project and summary of the consultation process/feedback provided within this report and associated annexes and, on that basis, decide whether to determine the associated Statutory Notice.

David McNulty
Chief Executive
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